

Sean Penn to Star in Falklands War

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Hollywood actor Sean Penn intends to star in a new role as an Argentinean soldier fighting a war against the United Kingdom. He may or may not turn the Falklands War into a made-for-TV Reality series on TLC. According to the Daily Telegraph of London, "at a meeting with Argentine President Cristina Kirchner, the Left-wing Hollywood actor referred to the islands "the Malvinas of Argentina" and said Britain should enter into a UN-sponsored dialogue over their sovereignty." During a meeting in Buenos Aires, Mr. Penn, a Hugo Chavez supporter, said, "the world today is not going to tolerate any ludicrous and archaic commitment to colonialist ideology." He added, "I know I came in a very sensitive moment in terms of diplomacy between Argentina and the UK over the Malvinas Islands. And I hope that diplomats can establish true dialogue in order to solve the conflict, as the world today cannot tolerate ridiculous demonstrations of colonialism. The way of dialogue is the only way to achieve a better solution for both nations." As reported by the Telegraph, "the Oscar-nominated Penn has long been a friend of South American nationalism, visiting both Venezuela's Hugo Chavez and Cuba's. The government has consistently refused to take part in any negotiations over the status of the islands, saying that they will remain a British territory as long a majority of the 3,000 islanders wish them to." Argentina already submitted a formal complaint to the UN alleging that the UK is "militarizing" the South Atlantic by deploying HMS Dauntless, the Royal Navy's most advanced ship to the region. To read the entire article from the Daily Telegraph of London, link here: Mcgregor@chinadaily.com.cn