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COS 47TH MEETING/82

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MINISTRY OF DEFENCE
CHIEFS OF STAFF COMMITTEE

CONFIDENTIAL ANNEX
TO
COS 47TH MEETING/82 HELD ON
MONDAY 10 MAY 1982 AT 12.15 pm

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OPERATION CORPORATEITEM 1. INTELLIGENCE

1. SIR TERENCE LEWIN invited the Deputy Chief of the Defence Staff (Intelligence) to update them on current intelligence.
2. LIEUTENANT GENERAL GLOVER (Deputy Chief of the Defence Staff (Intelligence)) reviewed the intelligence published in the latest summary (1).

ITEM 2. OWN FORCES

3. REAR ADMIRAL BROWN (Assistant Chief of the Defence Staff (Operations)) summarised the deployment of the Task Force. In subsequent discussion the following points were made:
 - a. The announcement of the sinking of HMS SHEFFIELD while under tow in heavy weather should be made in a routine release.
 - b. Action was in hand to add to the list of Argentine naval auxiliaries the two fishing vessels identified as consorts of the NARWAL.

ITEM 3. PUBLIC RELATIONS

4. MR McDONALD (Deputy Chief of Public Relations) reported on Press coverage. In subsequent discussion the point was made that the capture of the NARWAL the previous day had highlighted the difficulties of obtaining early and accurate reports from the Task Force. The Chief of Public Relations was due to report by 5 pm that day on ways in which the system of reporting incidents and passing information rapidly to the Press could be improved. A major aspect would be to determine where and how the necessary security control could be imposed.

Notes:

1. INTSUM No 72 100600Z May 1982

5. Summing up, SIR TERENCE LEWIN said they would wish to agree:

a. To instruct the Assistant Chief of the Defence Staff (Operations), in conjunction with the Deputy Chief of Public Relations and the Foreign and Commonwealth Office, to arrange for the release of the contents of the documents captured on the NARWAL.

b. To instruct the Assistant Chief of the Defence Staff (Operations), in conjunction with the Deputy Chief of Public Relations, to prepare a draft statement for release to the Press in the event that a surface ship engaged an Argentine Boeing 707 aircraft under the new Rules of Engagement which OD(SA) had agreed that morning. The statement should include details of the tracks of previous aircraft surveillance sorties.

c. To nominate to the Permanent Under Secretary as soon as possible suitable members for the panel of experts (2).

ITEM 4. ACTIONS AND DECISIONS REQUIRED

6. The Committee noted the summary of action in hand (3).

Annex:

A. Operation CORPORATE - Actions in Hand (2 pages).

Notes:

2. COS 44th Meeting/82, Item 3.
3. Annex A to COS 46th Meeting/82.

OPERATION CORPORATE - ACTIONS IN HAND

ITEM	ARISING FROM COS MEETING	DECISION OR ACTION REQUIRED	SPONSOR	ACTION/ DECISION BY	CONTINUED	CURRENT STATE
(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(g)
0023	6/82 Item 1 (re-titled 40/82)	Military Options for Repossession of the Falkland Islands	ACDS(Pol)	DPS/DS 11	7/82 Item 4 12/82 Item 6 35/82 Item 4 40/82 Item 7 43/82 Item 5	To be updated for COS 13 May
0065	-	Maintenance of a British Garrison in the Falkland Islands	VCDS(P&L)	VCDS(P&L)	VCDS(P&L)127/3/3 dated 19 Apr 82 33/82 Item 9	For COS 11 May
0076	33/82 Item 9	Long Term Logistic Requirements	VCDS(P&L)	VCDS(P&L)		Included in 0065
0084	43/82 Item 6	Concept of Operations - Op CORPORATE	CDS	CINCFLEET		
0085	43/82 Item 6	Concept of Operations - Op SUTTON	CDS	CINCFLEET		
0086	43/82 Item 7	ROE Package	ACDS(Ops)	CDS		

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0087	43/82 Item 8	Active Service arrangements for RFA/ MS personnel	ND	S of S		
0088	43/82 Item 9	Honours and Awards	CDS	DS Sec		
0089	43/82 Item 11	Special Forces Plans	ACDS(Ops)	ACDS(Ops)		For COS 12 May

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CHIEFS OF STAFF COMMITTEE

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TO
COS 47TH MEETING/82
DATED 10 MAY 1982

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101. PROPOSED CONCEPT OF OPERATIONS FOR
HARRIER GR3 IN SUPPORT OF GROUND
FORCES IN THE FALKLAND ISLANDS

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The Chiefs of Staff have approved a submission (1) to the Secretary of State subject to written amendment (2). Staff of CDS have been informed and the submission (4) has been forwarded.

Notes:

1. Annex A to attachment to COS(Misc) 206/742/1 dated 8 May 1982.
2. AF(Ops)/TF/51 dated 8 May 1982.
3. CDS 2038/1/1 dated 9 May 1982.

102. PROCEDURE FOR PROCESSING
RULES OF ENGAGEMENT

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The Chiefs of Staff have agreed a paper (1) prepared by ACDS(Ops) subject to written comment (2) (3). ACDS(Ops) has been informed.

Notes:

1. Attachment to COS(Misc) 173/742/1 dated 29 April 1982.
2. CGS Loose Minute dated 2 May 1982.
3. CDS 2038/1/4 dated 6 May 1982.

103. OPERATION CORPORATE -
LONG TERM MEASURES

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The Chiefs of Staff have taken note of a paper (1) prepared by DCDS(OR) and agreed its recommendations subject to written amendment (2) (3) (4). DCDS(OR) has been informed and a submission (5) has been forwarded.

Notes:

1. Attachment to COS(Misc) 196/742/1 dated 4 May 1982.
2. CGS 41-4-1 dated 6 May 1982.
3. CAS 91018 dated 7 May 1982.
4. CNS 7331/5 dated 7 May 1982.
5. CDS 2038/1/1 dated 10 May 1982.

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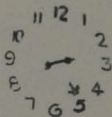
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ITEM 2 - OWN FORCES

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ITEM 3 - PUBLIC RELATIONS

1. Defensive material to be prepared in case an incident involving an Argentine 707 aircraft occurs.

ACAS(ops)
/ DCPR

2. Release of documents captured on NARWHAL

ACAS(ops)
/ DCPR
/ FLO

11:00 AM 11 May (on call)

ITEM 4 - DECISIONS REQUIRED

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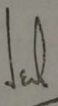
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Captain ...
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Chief of Staff ...

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ITEM - ANY OTHER BUSINESS

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NEXT MEETING OF cos (tbc)
Will be at 11:00 am 11 May (on call)



J E S RAYMOND
Captain RN
Deputy Secretary
Chiefs of Staff Committee

Note:

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