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Briefing on the Situation in the South Atlantic

Arrangements have now been made for the Ministry of Defence to give OD(SA) a military briefing in Conference Room F, Cabinet Office (the Cabinet Office Briefing Room) at 9.00 am tomorrow, Thursday 22 April. The briefing is expected to last about 45 minutes, including time for questions.

- 2. You might find it helpful to have the following list of who it is proposed should be at the briefing. The members of OD(SA), its Secretariat and its regular attenders (the Chief of the Defence Staff, Sir Antony Acland and Sir Michael Palliser) will all attend. The three single service Chiefs of Staff, Sir Frank Cooper, Mr Julian Bullard (who will be accompanying the Foreign and Commonwealth Secretary to Washington) and Mr Patrick Wright (Chairman of the Joint Intelligence Committee) will also be present. The briefing will be given by Lieutenant General Glover, Rear Admiral Brown, Rear Admiral Whetstone, Major General Hardy, Major General Boorman, Air Vice Marshall Hayr and Commander Carr. The technical facilities for the briefing will be operated by Commander Roberts (MOD) and Mr Alexander (Cabinet Office).
 - 3. I should be glad to know that these arrangements are acceptable.

D J WRIGHT

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