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3. In order to enhance the survivability of UK forces within the Maritime Exclusion Zone (MEZ) it will be necessary to create a 200 mile radius AIR EXCLUSION ZONE, based on the current MEZ from sea level to unlimited height. The associated Rule of Engagement suffixes must allow attack of:

a. All aircraft positively identified as ARGENTINIAN Air Force or ARGENTINIAN Naval Aircraft

(SUFFIX LIMA)

b. All aircraft which can be positively identified (eg by unloading on the ground or dropping from the air, stores or personnel) as carrying military supplies or military personnel.

(SUFFIX PAPA)

c. All aircraft on the ground in the Falkland Islands.

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4. A suffix is introduced to allow attack on all merchant vessels which can be positively identified (eg by deck cargo) as carrying military supplies or military personnel.

(SUFFIX OSCAR)

5. In the case of other merchant ships and other commercial aircraft the rules provide for a warning to be administered before any offensive action is taken.

ANNEX A TO
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RULES OF ENGAGEMENT FOR ENFORCEMENT OF
FALKLAND ISLANDS MARITIME EXCLUSION ZONE

1. a. Exclusion Zone Limits. A circle 200 nm radius centred on position 51° 40' South 59° 30' West and from seabed to unlimited height.
- b. ROE Area Limits and Applicability. Applicable to all UK forces directly engaged in enforcement of the Exclusion Zone in the South Atlantic South of 35° South and West of 20° West excluding:
 - (1) Brazilian and Uruguayan claimed territorial seas of 200nm.
 - (2) Areas South of 60°S.
- c. SSN ROE applicable only within the Exclusion Zone.
2. Time Limits. When ordered until further notice.
(UK forces south of 35°S and not directly engaged in enforcement of the Exclusion Zone continue to be governed by Operation CORPORATE High Seas Serial 2/82.)
3. Recommended Policies.

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Enforce the Maritime and Air Exclusion Zone, establishing a blockade to prevent the entry or exit of Argentinian surface ships, submarines and aircraft.