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I suggest that, with the cessation (at any rate provisionally) of hostilities in the South Atlantic, the time has come to reduce the frequencies of OD(SA). I doubt whether we need daily meetings, unless active hostilities start again, which seems unlikely.

2. I suggest that for the next period we might aim for two meetings a week: one on Monday morning at 10.30 am, to take stock of developments over the weekend; and one on Thursday morning before Cabinet, so that the members of the Sub-Committee can bring themselves up to date before Cabinet.

3. That regular pattern would not, of course, preclude the holding of meetings at other times, if the need arose.

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