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MINUTES of a Meeting held in Room 5301, Ministry of Defence, Main Building, Whitehall, on SUNDAY 6 JUNE 1982 at 10.00 am

OPERATION CORPORATE

ITEM 1. INTELLIGENCE

1. DS(Int) reviewed the intelligence published in the latest summary (1), and assessed Argentine dispositions and intentions. He said the intelligence brief for the meeting of the Chiefs of Staff the next day would include assessments of the combined operations exercise in southern Chile, and of Argentine radar coverage on the Falkland Islands, particularly on Pebble Island.

ITEM 2. OWN FORCES

2. D of D(Ops) outlined the deployment and planned operations of the Task Force.

ITEM 3. PUBLIC RELATIONS

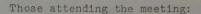
- 3. DCPR reported on press coverage.
- 4. The Executive invited the News Release Group to prepare a defensive brief about the non-repatriation of selected prisoners of war, which would become publicly apparent when the numbers on MV NORLAND were compared with the numbers captured at Goose Green and Darwin.
- 5. The Executive agreed that the statement to be made later that day about the return of the QUEEN ELIZABETH 2 should mention that elements of 5 Brigade had landed on East Falkland.

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Note:

1. INTSUM No 126, 060600Z June 1982.

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Also present:

PS/Sof S SCDS(A) DNOT DS 5 DS 8 Chairman (Representing ACNS(0)) (Representing DMO) (Representing ACAS(Ops)) (Representing ACDS(Ops))

(Representing DCDS(OR)) (Representing ACDS(Pol))

(Representing ACDS(S)) (Representing ACDS(P&L)) (Representing AUS(D Staff)

(Mr Kemp) (Secretary)