

COS 53RD MEETING/82

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MINISTRY OF DEFENCE
CHIEFS OF STAFF COMMITTEE

CONFIDENTIAL ANNEX
TO
COS 53RD MEETING/82 HELD ON
WEDNESDAY 19 MAY 1982 AT 11.30 am

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DESK OFFICER	DATE	RELATIONSHIP
INDEX	FILE	SECTION TAKEN

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), and assessed Argentine military capabilities and intentions.

ITEM 2. OWN FORCES

3. REAR-ADMIRAL BROWN (Assistant Chief of the Defence Staff (Operations)) summarised the deployment of the Task Force.

ITEM 3. PUBLIC RELATIONS

4. MR McDONALD (Deputy Chief of Public Relations) reported on press coverage, and said an announcement about the establishment of the Government controlled Spanish language radio station would be made that day.
5. Summing up a short discussion, SIR TERENCE LEWIN said he would circulate for their information a minute (2) by the Assistant Chief of the Defence Staff (Signals) which set out clearly the practical and technical problems to be overcome in respect of communications for the press. He went on to say they would wish to invite the Deputy Chief of Public Relations to prepare eye-witness interviews about the repossession of South Georgia, for release the next day if appropriate.

Notes:

1. INTSUM No 90, 190600Z May 1982
2. D/DSS(C)12/7/6/1 dated 18 May 1982

ITEM 4. ACTIONS AND DECISIONS REQUIRED

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

ITEM 5. LIEUTENANT-COMMANDER ASTIZ

7. SIR TERENCE LEWIN said they would wish to instruct the Assistant Chief of the Defence Staff (Operations) to examine the possibility of returning Lieutenant-Commander Astiz to the United Kingdom from Ascension Island by ship.

Annex:

- A. Operation CORPORATE - Actions in Hand (1 page).

Note:

3. Annex A to COS 52nd Meeting/82.

ANNEX A TO
 COS 53RD MEETING/82
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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 50/82 Item 5	To be updated for COS 20 May



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