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FM MODUK NAVY  
TO RBDWCR/NP 8901  
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SIC W4A/LDQ/EAL/A3A/QFX  
ROULEMENT OF NP 8901.

IMMEDIATE DESK BY 232359Z MAR FOR BRITNAVAT MONTEVIDEO.

- A. NP 8901 W4A/WHU 221740Z MAR 82
- B. MODUK NAVY W4A/LDQ/EAL/A3A 222035Z MAR 82
- C. MODUK NAVY W4A/LDQ/EAL/A3A/QFX 231045Z MAR 82
- D. MONTEVIDEO W4A/LDQ/EAL/A3A/QFX 231630Z MAR 82 NOTAL

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E. MONTEVIDEO W4A/LDQ/EAL/A3A/QFX 231930Z MAR 82 NOTAL

1. FCO HAVE CONFIRMED THAT OPTION OF DEPLOYING NEW NP 8901 VIA PUNTA ARENAS IS DIPLOMATICALLY UNACCEPTABLE. REQUEST YOU CEASE ALL ACTION ON THIS.

2. UNDERSTAND FROM REF D THAT RRS JONN BISCOE SAILING FOR BREMERHAVEN 241200Z MAR FROM MONTEVIDEO MIGHT BE DIVERTED VIA PORT STANLEY. BRITNAVAT HAS INDICATED THAT CAPTAIN PREPARED TO DIVERT IF INSTRUCTED BY BAS AUTHORITIES. DIVERSION WOULD INVOLVE 10 DAY DELAY IN ETA BREMERHAVEN AND CARRIAGE OF 13 PASSENGERS OVER DOT LIFE SAVING LIMIT FROM MONTEVIDEO TO PORT STANLEY.

LIFE SAVING LIMIT FROM MONTEVIDEO TO PORT STANLEY.

3. IN VIEW LATEST EVENTS ETA 1 APR AT MONTEVIDEO FOR HMS ENDURANCE CONSIDERED OPTIMISTIC AND COULD BE SOME TIME AFTER THIS. THIS WOULD INVOLVE CONSIDERABLE ALTERATION TO ROULEMENT AND ENDURANCE PROGRAMME.

4. FOR NP 8901. REQUEST YOU INVESTIGATE WITH DIRECTOR BAS POSSIBILITY OF DIVERTING RRS JOHN BISCOE. IN PARTICULAR WHAT CHARGES WOULD BE LEVIED AND WHAT ARE VIEWS ON DOT OVERLOAD PROBLEM. IF DIRECTOR AGREES IN PRINCIPLE REQUEST HE INSTRUCT RRS JOHN BISCOE NOT TO SAIL MONTEVIDEO 241200Z MAR WHILE DETAILS SORTED OUT.

5. FOR BRITNAVAT. AM INVESTIGATING PROBLEM OF DOT REGULATIONS.

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GRATEFUL FOR INFORMATION ON WHETHER OVERLOAD INVOLVES LIFE JACKETS AND/OR LIFEBOATS. IF FORMER CAN YOU OBTAIN LIFE JACKET SHORTFALL AND AT WHAT APPROXIMATE COST.

6. IN VIEW ETD MONTEVIDEO OF RRS JOHN BISCOE REQUEST ANSWERS BY 240900Z MAR

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