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PRIME MINISTER

c Sir Robert Armstrong

Falklands: OD(SA) at 1430 on 30th April

The meeting is to consider

- a. The argentine aircraft carrier, ie OD(SA)(82) 36 on which the Defence Secretary should be asked to make a recommendation;
 - b. sailing the rest of the Amphibious Group (including Canberra) from Ascension, on which the Chief of the Defence Staff should be asked for a recommendation.
2. The Chief of the Defence Staff may also press for an urgent decision on requisitioning the QE2 for the reinforcement Brigade. Since there is no paper before the Sub-Committee, and the Chiefs of Staff were unable to make up their minds on the subject until 1300 today, you could reasonably ask that this should wait until Sunday.
3. The next meeting, barring emergencies, is arranged for Sunday, ~~2nd~~ May, at Chequers.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be 'RLW' or similar initials.

30th April 1982

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