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MILITARY SITREP

1. FALKLANDS

(A) FROM DEBRIEFING OF TRAVELLERS RECENTLY RETURNED FROM PORT STANLEY AYE NOW HAVE FAIR INDICATION OF DEFENSIVE POSITION IN THIS AREA. THIS DETAIL AYE CAN SEND AT ANY TIME BUT IT IS A CONSTANTLY

CHANGING SCENE AND AS I HAVE ONLY QUARTER MILLION SCALE MAP

CHANGING SCENE AND AS I HAVE ONLY QUARTER MILLION SCALE MAP COVERAGE WOULD HAVE TO GIVE IT IN PROSE RATHER THAN GR. PLEASE SAY IF YOU WANT PIECEMEAL OR DATE BY.

(B) FROM THE SAME SOURCES AND FROM ARGENTINE MEDIA WHICH AYE AM SCREENING DAILY IT APPEARS THAT IN SUM THE RELIEF OF MARINE FORCES BY ARMY IS NEARLY COMPLETE. AMPHIBIANS HAVE ALL DEPARTED (WE BELIEVE BACK TO RIO GRANDE) AND THE C130 AIRLIFT IS NOW BUILDING UP ARMY NUMBERS DAILY.

(C) ALTHOUGH AYE CAN GET NO POSITIVE EVIDENCE THAT UNITS OTHER THAN 25 INF REGT ARE IN STANLEY I SHOULD EXPECT THAT UNITS COUNTRY WIDE ARE BEING MILKED OF REGULAR CADRES WHICH WILL GO TO STIFFEN THE GARISON AND BRING IT UP TO BRIGADE STRENGTH. THIS WILL BE ESPECIALLY NECESSARY AT THIS TIME OF YEAR WHEN THE MAJORITY OF CONSCRIPTS ARE RAW.

(D) SPECIFICALLY THE FOLLOWING HAVE BEEN REPORTED:

4 X 40MM AAA

20 FT (APPROX) OVAL AERIAL RADAR

MAINLY 106 MM RECOILLESS AND 81 MM MOR ANTI-TANK MINE-FIELDS IN TWO AREAS.

(E) AIR. ON THE STRIP 7 APR WERE 4 X PUCANA AND 2 MS 760 IN ADDITION TO C 130 AIRLIFT AC. A 4'S FROM CARRIER MAKE A FLY PAST DAILY AT NOON.

(F) TRAVELLERS SPEAK OF LOW MORALE AMONGST SOLDIERS DUE TO COLD AND WET AND LACK OF ADMIN SUPPORT BUT WE MUST EXPECT THIS TO IMPRVE AS THE BUILD UP CONTINUES. LOCAL POPULATION ARE NOT CO-OPERATING BUT NO DIRECT HARRASSMENT HAS BEEN REPORTED.

2. ARGENTINA

ALL ARGENTINE PRESS INDICATES MOVEMENT OF TROOPS SOUTH AND ESPECIALLY TALKS OF BUILD UP IN COMODORO RIVADAVIA AND RIO GALLEGOS. WE KNOW OF ONWARD MOVEMENT BY AIR FROM THE FORMER AND BELIEVE THEY ARE ALSO USING THE LATTER. TO DATE I KNOW OF NO UNIT MOVES. RESERVISTS IN CERTAIN SPECIALIST CATEGORIES ARE BEING RECALLED. I HAVE ATTEMPTED TO IMPROVE MY SOURCES AND ESPECIALLY AS IMMIGRATION FROM BA CONTINUES (AS IS EXPECTED) AYE SHOULD BE ABLE TO DO BETTER IN DAYS TO COME.

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MY TELNOS 78 AND 81 : ROYAL MARINES

1. POSSIBILITY EXISTS THAT WE COULD FIND SUFFICIENT SEATS ON COMMERCIAL FLIGHTS INSTEAD OF SPECIAL VC 10. SHOULD WE INVESTIGATE?
2. IF VC 10 IS USED WE WILL REQUIRE EARLIEST POSSIBLE DETAILS FOR SEEKING DIPLOMATIC CLEARANCE.
3. STILL NO NEWS HERE OF MARINES.

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MY TELNO 82 : URUGUAYAN OFFER OF FACILITIES FOR MEDIATION

1. I HAVE LEARNT FROM THE UNITED STATES AMBASSADOR THAT THE URUGUAYAN FOREIGN MINISTER TOLD HIM YESTERDAY EVENING THAT IF REQUESTED, THE URUGUAYANS WOULD BE PREPARED TO ACT AS MEDIATORS IN ADDITION TO PROVIDING FACILITIES IN URUGUAY FOR THE MEDIATION PROCESS.

2. THE UNITED STATES AMBASSADOR ADDED THAT THE INITIAL REACTION OF THE STATE DEPARTMENT WAS MILDLY FAVOURABLE TOWARDS URUGUAY BECOMING A (NEXT WORD UNDERLINED) LOCALE FOR MEDIATION.

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MY TELNO 82 : COMMUNIQUE BY URUGUAYAN COUNCIL OF NATIONAL SECURITY

1. PLEASE MAKE THE FOLLOWING IMPORTANT CORRECTIONS TO THE TUR:
PARA 2 LINE 4: TO READ QUOTE FURTHERMORE, WITH ARGENTINA URUGUAY
HAD CERTAIN SPECIAL LINKS UNQUOTE (NOT LIMITS).

PARA 4 : INSERT QUOTATION MARKS AROUND EQUIDISTANT TO READ AS
FOLLOWS:

4. THE MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS ALSO SAID THAT THE URUGUAYAN
GOVERNMENT WAS ANXIOUS AS FAR AS POSSIBLE TO REMAIN QUOTE
EQUIDISTANT UNQUOTE AS BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES. ETC

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INFO IMMEDIATE WASHINGTON AND NEW YORK

MY TELNO 79: COMMUNIQUE BY URUGUAYAN COUNCIL OF NATIONAL SECURITY

1. THIS EVENING THE FOREIGN MINISTER HANDED ME A COPY OF THE COMMUNIQUE UNDER COVER OF A NOTE VERBALE, THE MAIN POINTS OF WHICH ARE:

A. THAT THE GOVERNMENT OF URUGUAY FERVENTLY HOPED THAT NEGOTIATIONS WOULD GO FORWARD WHICH WOULD ENABLE THE DISPUTE TO BE SETTLED IN A SATISFACTORY FORM AND

B. EMPHASIS ON THE URUGUAYAN OFFER TO PROVIDE FACILITIES THAT MIGHT HELP ALONG THE MEDIATION PROCESS.

2. THE MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS THEN SAID THAT HE HOPED THAT

2. THE MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS THEN SAID THAT HE HOPED THAT THE BRITISH GOVERNMENT WOULD UNDERSTAND THAT WHILE URUGUAY HAD LONG STANDING AND MUCH APPRECIATED TIES OF FRIENDSHIP WITH THE UNITED KINGDOM, SHE ALSO HAD SIMILAR TIES WITH ARGENTINA. FURTHERMORE, WITH ARGENTINA URUGUAY HAD CERTAIN SPECIAL LIMITS. HE THEREFORE HOPED FOR THE UNDERSTANDING OF THE BRITISH GOVERNMENT AND THAT WE WOULD NOT PUT FORWARD REQUESTS TO WHICH IT WOULD BE VERY DIFFICULT FOR THE URUGUAYAN GOVERNMENT TO ACCEDE. (HE WAS OF COURSE REFERRING TO POTENTIAL REQUESTS FOR REFUELLING ETC).

3. IN RESPONSE TO MY ENQUIRY AS TO WHETHER THIS WAS THE POINT OF PARAGRAPH 3 OF THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF SECURITY COMMUNIQUE, HE REPLIED IN THE AFFIRMATIVE, BUT STRESSED THAT ARTICLE 3 REFERRED TO ARGENTINA AS WELL AS THE UK. ARTICLE 3 PREVENTED ANY URUGUAYAN OR URUGUAYAN ORGANISATION DOING ANYTHING WHICH MIGHT HELP THE QUOTE BELLICOSE PREPARATIONS UNQUOTE OF EITHER ONE COUNTRY OR THE OTHER.

4. THE MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS ALSO SAID THAT THE URUGUAYAN GOVERNMENT WAS ANXIOUS AS FAR AS POSSIBLE TO REMAIN EQUIDISTANT AS BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES. HOWEVER, THE URUGUAYAN GOVERNMENT WISHED TO OFFER THEIR GOOD OFFICES IN ANY WAY THAT MIGHT BE OF ASSISTANCE, EITHER BY PROVIDING FACILITIES FOR MEETINGS IN URUGUAY OR IN SOME OTHER MANNER. HE ALSO STRESSED THAT THE URUGUAYAN GOVERNMENT WOULD CONTINUE TO BE AS HELPFUL AS POSSIBLE ON HUMANITARIAN MATTERS SUCH AS FACILITATING THE TRANSIT OF FURTHER MARINES FROM THE FALKLANDS AND WITH REGARD TO MEMBERS OF THE BRITISH COMMUNITY IN ARGENTINA WHO CAME OVER TO URUGUAY. HE EXPRESSED MUCH APPRECIATION OF THE MESSAGE IN YOUR TELNO 69.

5. WE AGREED TO MAINTAIN RETICENCE VIS A VIS THE MEDIA ABOUT OUR CONVERSATION.

6. THE ARGENTINE AMBASSADOR WAS SUMMONED AN HOUR EARLIER WHILE THE US AMBASSADOR WAS SEEING THE MINISTER IMMEDIATELY AFTER MY VISIT.

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YOUR TELNO 77 AND MY TELNO 78: ROYAL MARINES

1. THERE WILL BE NO PROBLEM ABOUT A FURTHER VC10 FLIGHT: HOWEVER
MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS SAID THAT THE URUGUAYANS STILL HAD NOT

RECEIVED ANY NEWS ABOUT A FURTHER PARTY OF ROYAL MARINES.

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