

Notes for reply to President Dulles proposal
Oct 1950.

The 'Pause' between Phase 3 and 4.

We may make Phase 3 last longer.
But this must be a matter of tactical choice
and not because lack of provision compels us
to. The former would be judgement, the
latter an inevitable risk taking which could be
very dangerous to our Armed Forces.

Playing it 'long'

I do not like some of the
arguments for playing it long - they mean too long,
and resolve whatever would not hold. But
I believe we should play it long enough (c.p. to North)
to give us the best chance to succeed. If our
actions involved an ~~not~~ haphazard response of
missiles which collected our forces while they

• Their equipment were being disembarked - the
Jawid would be land of the feet and politicians.

Time Factors

① Our '2' can last out until
January. They and ~~the~~ our people in
Kuwait are looking to ~~see~~ news on
armed forces retreating Kuwait City.

② They feel very strongly, and we agree,
that they cannot leave, ~~and~~ knowing
that there are some 600-800 British citizens
there overseas. Therefore we should be
criticised (negatively) right of his right on G.V. by
the families of those people left behind to the

effect that we had only looked after
dependents not after ordinarily people

Hostages

Such a proposed safe conduct approach
would alert IGH to the proximity of force
and ~~it~~ probably ensure that every hostage
was marked by a gunman against the line
when we moved to attack.

Conduct

Conduct that present draft
should go through without proposed
addition which I believe would have
difficulty in securing agreement. We can

then reconsider whether further action
can be taken over the course of the next two days
and assess its effect the better.

Note. General Montgomery of Mamun
waited until he had all his forces in N. Africa.
He then began his lunge and moved forward
defeating Rommel's Army in 14 days!

The Window

We must not look the window between
Milk Now & End Luck.
adversely to provoke an effect ^{on us} which we are
not ready to meet.

Letter on Saddam Hussein

The U.S. would be the demanders and he
could play along for quite a while, dictating
the line of the terms. He would aim to
agree but in terms that could humiliate our
people - e.g.

Share much of our concern

Reuben ? Wait? Don't

about Sandhu

Worried about implications
of Pakistan problem.

Upsetting cohesion

Shami - U. N. mission

U.S. / Israel relations.

(Need intelligence)

Don't put themselves
in the way.

In terms of Gulf
co-operation.

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Falklands - Kuwait

Tightening the Curfew. Later time

That time will be used by some
to sow ~~the~~ seeds of doubt and to
question Allied resolve.

Hope that during this lengthy

Period our friends in the media will
point out that aggression which goes
unchallenged breeds further aggression

Sovereignty is not negotiable.

Iraq's claim to Kuwait ill-founded in law
history

The danger is that by ~~tempting~~ overtopping
some claim, someone who calls himself a
statesman will demand restrictions and then
no country in the world would be safe
from the consequences.

The Corlachen Factor

Difficulty of changing attitudes.
only freedom they have known
is freedom for responsibility.

Leitworte - the underlying guiding lines in
Czechoslovakia