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1. WITH REFERENCE TO YOUR TELECON WITH FALL, WE HAVE ALREADY SENT TO YOU THE GOVERNOR'S REPORT OF THE ATTACK ON PORT STANLEY. THE FOLLOWING ARE THE TERMS IN WHICH MR NOTT DESCRIBED THE FALL OF GRYTVIKEN ON TV TODAY:

'OUR INFORMATION IS THAT THE 22 ROYAL MARINES AT THE GRYTUVIKEN BASE ON SOUTH GEORGIA RESISTED STRONGLY BEFORE THEY WERE CAPTURED BY ARGENTINIAN FORCES. AN ARGENTINIAN PUMA HELICOPTER WAS SHOT DOWN AND A FRIGATE WAS DAMAGED. SEVERAL ARGENTINIANS WERE KILLED, BUT AS FAR AS WE ARE AWARE THERE WERE NO CASUALTIES AMONG THE ROYAL MARINES.'

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