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WARSHIPS IN SOUTH ATLANTIC

1. Nimrod reconnaissance aircraft has sighted three warships across lines of communication between Ascension Island and Falklands. They are believed to be Brazilian but MOD would be grateful if you could confirm this as quickly as possible with Brazilian authorities and report back by flash telegram.

2. Details as follows:-

(a) 703 ft long warship position 13.56S 20.12W on heading of 116 at 13 knots at 111925Z. We think that this is Brazilian carrier;

(b) 275 ft long warship. Position 30.58S 35.36W heading 355 at 15 knots at 111536Z. Destroyer or frigate;

(c) 375 ft long warship. Position 28.26S 32.41W heading 285 at 20 knots at 111645Z. Destroyer.

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