

PRIME MINISTER

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As at 8 o'clock there had been no attacks reported since the MOD issued their last statement.

Sir Lancelot and Sir Galahad still had their unexploded bombs aboard. Further reports are awaited - the MOD may put out a further statement for the 10 o'clock news.

In the attacks reported earlier this afternoon:

2 Argentine aircraft were downed by Harriers
3 by Rapiers
2 by missiles from HMS Fearless
1 aircraft was seen departing damaged.

Of the above, 2 were definitely Mirages. Of the remaining 5, the balance between Mirages and Skyhawks is not known because the attacking force was a mixture of both.

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