

10 DOWNING STREET

Prime Minister

The update on this at 2230 was that Hous Plymonth had keen able to unch a safe anchorage and that casulties numbered tive. All five have been mut aboard Huns Leavless - no details on the injuries.

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PRIME MINISTER c. Mr. Whitmore MOD gave us at 2100 the following report of two separate raids in the Falklands. In San Carlos Sound HMS Plymouth (a fairly old type 12 frigate) has been attacked by A4s, and has reported splinter damage and fires under control. However its 4.5 gun and mortar have been severely damaged. Its Seacat is still serviceable. They report one A4 shot down by Seacat, two trailing smoke, and another possibly shot down. A4s also attacked ships at Fitzroy Settlement. HMS Exeter reports close air patrol shot down one and damaged two. Sir Galahad and Sir Tristram, landing ships logistic, have however been damaged. Sir Galahad is burning and abandoned, Sir Tristram was hit aft, and is not burning but has been abandoned for the moment. No knowledge of casualties as yet. WR 8 June 1982