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1. Thank you for your letter of 19 April with your comments on the South Georgia paper. I note that you agree that an analysis of existing data about the fisheries around South Georgia should be commissioned.

2. On the question of civilian accommodation, I believe it would be premature now to set timetables for putting a civilian presence in place. The paper examines three possible options for a civilian presence but does not seek to prejudge whether a civilian presence should be established.

3. I am copying this minute to the recipients of yours.

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