

MOD PRESS BRIEFING HELD ON 18.4.82 AT 1200 HRS IN HISTORIC ROOM 27

- Q. Many people would be getting £1.00 a day - is that sum much greater?
- A. Yes.
- Q. Is it costing the Government much more than previously?
- A. Much more - it applies to many people.
- Q. So it isn't an economy for the Government?
- A. No.
- Q. Is this something you can make an estimate of cost on?
- A. If you know the number of people in the Task Force!
- Q. Is it an LOA as such?
- A. No. It removes the anomaly of the Sea Going LOA.
- Q. Is the Sea Going LOA applicable to number of days in port or entire voyage?
- A. Complicated regulations - wasn't related only to the number of days in port but carried on until they reached the next zone or the UK.
- Q. What does the £1.00 a day relate to?
- A. We recognised the anomalies and bad feeling that a difference of treatment would have caused.
- Q. Has there been any problem over payments to be paid to those taking part on the Uganda?
- A. Discussions are going on at the Department of Trade. I really can't say.
- Q. Is there any question of Uganda not going out on time?
- A. Our plans stand because they are operational plans. Discussions are going on.