MOD STATEMENT: 28 MAY 0645

Harriers of the Task Force yesterday carried out further bombing raids on Port Stanley airfield. Argentine aircraft made attacks on British forces in the San Carlos area. Full reports are not yet available.

SUBSTRUTE

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FALKLAND ISLANDS - RN HELO CRASH IN CHILE

Background

The 3 occupants of the Chilean helicopter which crashed in Chile a few days ago arrived at Gatwick airport earlier this evening to be greeted by the Press.

They declined to talk to the Press and, therefore, it seems likely that we will get calls about their activities and about the incident. The 3 have been taken for the de-briefing and will not be available to anyone for some days. CPR is considering whether, at some stage, a Press de-briefing should be given about this incident.

PR Line

In the meantime we should <u>only</u> say in answer to Press enquiries that they are indeed back in this country. They are obviously very tired and need some rest, and to be kitted up. They are being re—united with their families for a brief while before going back to join the Task Force.

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