

FALKLAND ISLANDS - SEAKING CRASH IN CHILE.

Background

There may be some allegations that the SeaKing which crashed in Chile may have been part of an operation to blow up Argentinian aircraft in their bases (on the *500 miles Mainland*).

PR Line (stick to this rigidly)

" No attacks on Argentine air bases have been launched from Chile, nor from anywhere else."

FALKLAND ISLANDS - USE OF NAPALM

PR Line

Neither the Royal Navy nor the Royal Air Force have any stocks of Napalm and consequently we are not using it in the South Atlantic.



Source: DS8

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FALKLAND ISLANDS - ATLANTIC CONVEYOR

PR Line

Atlantic Conveyor which was attacked by Argentine Air Force on 25 May, sank on her own accord on 29 May.

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US ASSISTANCE - HAWK AND STINGER MISSILES

The line in C11/2 must be adhered to closely because the whole subject of US assistance is very sensitive and no reference should

FALKLAND ISLANDS - NAPALM BOMBS

The caption on the Press Association picture saying "that Napalm is outlawed by the Geneva Convention" is incorrect. As the law stands at the moment Napalm can be used. For your background information there is a 1977 Geneva Protocol on international armed conflicts, signed by the UK but not by Argentina, which would ban Napalm, but this is not yet in force.

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REGARDING VIP SENIOR OFFICER BEING SENT BACK
FROM THE TASK FORCE TO THE CAMBRIDGE MILITARY
HOSPITAL FOR PSYCHIATRIC TREATMENT

PR Line

We never comment on this sort of thing on the grounds of "Medical-in-Confidence".