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① — The minute on the political costs of retaking the Falkland Islands which you produced at very short notice on 2 April to meet an urgent deadline had not been shown to the Prime Minister before events moved on. It is possible that we shall be asked for a more detailed examination of the point summarised in your subparagraph (h), and I imagine that much of the work currently being done is in any case relevant. But for the time being we can take it that the paper of 2 April will remain in the background, unless it is required to serve as a quarry for a wider analysis of the pros and cons of particular courses of action.

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