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1. I confirm the following two messages were passed to you at 0300 this morning, as received from Roger Harrison, US Embassy, London:

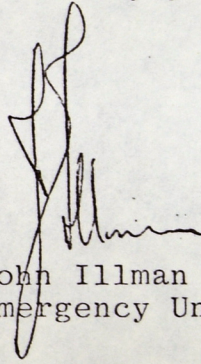
i) From Secretary of State Haig:

'Argentine Foreign Minister [or Foreign Ministry] has informed me that mines have been laid around the Falklands and South Georgia and a warning to navigators will be issued. Warning will state that any vessel moving in Falklands or South Georgia should pick up pilot to enter Cumberland Bay or at St Peter's Island in South Georgia where pilot can be picked up at Port Grytviken.

Argentines know that we are passing this information to you.'

ii) Ascension Island Facilities.

'Instructed to tell you that tanker presently offloading at Ascension has no additional cargo fuel for delivery. We will investigate and advise further of possibility of providing an additional load of fuel within time period involved. If we cannot do so, we do not object to your delivering additional fuel by your own tankers.'



John Illman  
Emergency Unit

11 April 1982

cc:

Mr Hulse, Defence Department