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FROM MODUK
TO CINCFLT
UKMILREP BRUSSELS
UKLF
HQSTC
HQRAFSC
CBFSU ASCENSION
CINC GIBRALTAR
INFO UKDEL LIVEOAK
CBF CYPRUS
CBF BELIZE
CBF HONG KONG
UKNMR SHAPE
UKNMR SACLANT
UKNMR CINCHAN
UKCIC
SV FELTHAM

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SITREP NO 10. OP CORPORATE AS AT 102200Z APR.

1. INT. GENERAL. 42 POLISH FISHING VESSELS REPORTED IN FALKLANDS AREA, A TRADITIONAL POLISH FISHING AREA. THEY HAVE BEEN ORDERED TO WITHDRAW FROM THE MEZ. WITHDRAWAL NOW UNDER WAY.
2. ARG NAVY. AN OBSERVER FROM PUERTO BELGRANO CONFIRMS PRESENCE IN PORT OF MOST NAVAL VESSELS. THEY ARE REPORTED TO BE PREPARED TO SAIL SOME TIME AFTER EASTER. CREWS ARE ON SHORT RECALL LEAVE.
3. ARG ARMY. NTR.
4. ARG AIR. NTR.
5. OWN FORCES. FALKLANDS ISLANDS. MARITIME EXCLUSION ZONE WILL COME INTO EFFECT AT 120400Z APR.
6. NAVY. FOLLOWING REVISION OF THE TASK FORCE ORGANISATION AT 102359Z THE ASSAULT GROUP TG317.0.1 COMPRISING FEARLESS, 5 X LSLs, 1 X FF AND 2 X RFA IS NOW OFF WESTERN MOROCCO. THE BATTLE GROUP, TASK GROUP 317.8 WHICH INCLUDES HERMES AND INVINCIBLE HAS BEEN JOINED BY 3 X FF FROM GIBRALTAR AND IS NOW IN THE AREA OF CAPE VERDE. ENDURANCE IS DUE TO RV WITH RFA FORT AUSTIN FOR RESUPPLY AT 120600Z.
7. RMS UGANDA WILL BE PREPARED AS A HOSPITAL SHIP IN GIBRALTAR 16 - 18 APR.
8. MV STENA SEA SPREAD WILL BE CONVERTED AS A FORWARD SUPPORT REPAIR SHIP ON ARRIVAL AT PORTSMOUTH ON 12 APR.
9. AIR. ONE NIMROD MPA SORTIE WAS FLOWN FROM ASCENSION IN THE PERIOD. THE REPLACEMENT OF MK 1 NIMROD BY MK 2 IS UNDER WAY. THE FIRST AIRCRAFT IS DUE IN TOMORROW, THE SECOND ON 14 APR.

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