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SITREP NO 13 OP CORPORATE AS AT 142200Z APR 82

1. INT. GENERAL.

A BRZILIAN NAVAL EXERCISE IS TAKING PLACE IN THE WATERS OFF BRAZIL. THIS WAS SHCEDULED SOME TIME AGO AND IS NOT RELATED TO THE PRESENT CRISIS

2. FALKLAND ISLANDS ADMINISTRATION. MIL ADMIN OF FALKLAND ISLANDS HAS BEEN SET UP UNDER GOVERNOR MENENDEZ WITH MIL OFFICERS HOLDING SUCH POSTS AS ECONOMY, PUBLIC WORKS, COMMUNICATIONS, EDUCATION AND SOCIAL SECURITY. A GROUP OF 31 PEOPLE FROM FI WHO ARRIVED MOTEVIDEO 13 APR REPORT THAT MORALE OF ARGENTINIAN TROOPS THEY SAW WAS LOW. IN CONTRAST THE SPIRITS OF ISLANDERS OUTSIDE OF PORT STANLEY WAS SIAD TO BE EXTREMELY HIGH

3. ARG NAVY. MOST ARGENTINE NAVAL VESSELS REMAIN IN PORT

4. ARG AIR. THE FI GROUP REPORTED THAT NO START HAD BEEN MADE ON EXTENSIONS TO RUNWAY AT STANLEY BY MORNING OF 13 APR BUT THE DISPERSAL AREA IS BEING EXTENDED. NO FAST JETS

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HAD BEEN SEEN. AIRCRAFT IDENTIFIED WERE TEN HELICOPTERS INCLUDING TWO CHINOOK, TWO TRACKERS AND SIX PUKARA WITH THREE PYLONS UNDER EACH WING BUT NO ORDNANCE. SOME AIRCRAFT DROP TANKS HAD BEEN FLOWN IN

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5. ARG ARMY. UP TO 12 APR THE FI GROUP REPORTED THERE HAD BEEN NO ARG DEPLOYMENT AT WEST POINT, FORT HOWARD OR DUNNIES HEAD BUT THERE ARE 120-150 TPS IN SCHOOL AT GOOSEGREEN WITH SOME SOFT VEHICLES. WEAPONS NOTED WERE LYNX ERC 90 ARMoured CARS WITH 90MM GUNS, 20-30 X 105 MM GUNS AND 12 X 20 MM AAA SINGLE AND DOUBLE BARREL
6. FALKLANDS ISLANDS. THE PARTY WHO LEFT THE FIS LAST MONDAY AND ARE NOW IN MONTEVIDEO INCLUDED THE DEPORTED CHIEF SECRETARY, THE CHIEF POLICE OFFICER, THE REGISTRAR GENERAL, TWO RAF SECONDED TECHNICIANS AND ONE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEMBER. TWO OTHER LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL MEMBERS HAVE BEEN WARNED THAT THEY ARE POLITICALY SUSPECT AND MAY BE DEPORTED IF THEY DON NOT TOE THE LINE
7. THERE IS STILL NO FURTHER NEWS OF THE ROYAL MARINES CAPTURED ON THE FALKLAND ISLANDS AND ON SOUTH GEORGIA
8. ASCENSION ISLANDS. THE LOGISTIC FLOW THROUGH THE ASCENSION

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ISLANDS IS OPERATING SMOOTHLY

- . NAVAL AUTHORITY. APPROX POSN OF SHIPS ARE
- A. TG 317.0 OFF SIERRA LEONE
- B. TU 317.8.1 AT OR DUE AT ASI BY 18 APR
- C. TU 317.8.2 SOUTH OF ASI
- D. CANBERRA AND ELK ETA FREETOWN 17 APR
- E. UGANDA ETA GIBRALTAR 16 APR (HOSPITAL SHIP)
- F. ATLANTIC CONVEYOR ETA DEVONPORT 16 APR FOR USE AS AIRCRAFT TRANSPORT
- G. STENA SEASPREAD NOW IN PORTSMOUTH (REPAIR SHIP)
- 10. HMS INTREPID IS BEING RECOMMISSIONED FOR DEPLOYMENT IN LATE APRIL. THE SHIPPING REQUIRED TO LIFT 5 INFBDE TO THE F SOUTH ATLANTIC IS BEING STUDIED NOW BY DOMS AND DEPT OF TRADE
- 11. MARITIME AIR. A SECOND NIMROD MK 2 ARRIVED AT ASCENSION ISLAND THIS AFTERNOON. ONE NIMROD SORTIE WAS FLOWN FROM THE ISLAND TODAY
- 12. HARRIERS FROM RAF WITTERING WERE DETACHED TO RNAS YEOVILTON FOR FAMILIARISATION TRAINING ON SIMULATED DECK FACILITIES. BRIEFINGS WERE HELD TODAY AND TRG WILL

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