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SECRETARY OF STATEOD(SA)

There is no fixed agenda for this morning's OD(SA) but business is likely to cover the following areas.

Report on diplomatic situation

2. We have received no further message from Haig.

UN Resolutions

3. The draft UN resolution, and the Foreign Office comments are in your folder under Item 1. Behind them is the latest telegram from Parsons in New York. Also enclosed ~~are~~ your draft comments (not sent).

Your minute of Saturday night (under Item 2 of the folder)

4. Your colleagues have already agreed to a modified Rule 4 for SSNs within the 200 mile MEZ, but excluding naval auxiliaries. OD(SA) will want to discuss your second proposal, for an announcement to the Argentinians, backed up by a change in the Rules of Engagement.

High seas Rules of Engagement

5. My letter to No 10 is in the folder under Item 2. You will want to say that this authority is needed by lunchtime today to cover the advance party of HMS BRILLIANT and others, which is being held 1,000 miles off the coast.

6. You will also want to say that by tomorrow lunchtime additional enhanced Rules will be needed for the high seas bearing in mind the increased probability that by then our forces should be in range of Argentinian forces. A paper is being prepared for officials this afternoon and be taken at OD(SA) tomorrow morning.

Operation Paraguet

7. Decision required confirming that they should continue and cross the 200 mile point, and change their Rules of Engagement as agreed at OD(SA). Decision on whether they land can be taken tomorrow. Decision on Rule 5 for HMS CONQUEROR required today: so that she is on the same footing as SSNs in MEZ. Papers under Item 3.

Vulcans

8. You could put a ~~statement~~ to go ahead with bombing practice

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