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COS COMMITTEE MEETING AT 1000 HRS
TUESDAY 20 APRIL 1982

RELEVANT PAPERS

1. The following papers are enclosed:

Agenda - COS 25th Meeting/82	<u>FLAG A</u> out
INTSUM No 32 200656 Apr 82	<u>FLAG B</u> out
Force Tote Summary	<u>FLAG C</u> out
Minutes of COS 24th Meeting/82	<u>FLAG D</u>
Decisions/Actions required	<u>FLAG E</u> out
Forecast of Major Decision Points	<u>FLAG F</u> out
Op CORPORATE - Scope for Delay in Landing Ops	<u>FLAG H</u>
Op CORPORATE - Submission to Sops on Delay	<u>FLAG H1</u>
Op CORPORATE - Aim	<u>FLAG I</u>
Op CORPORATE - Military Appreciation	<u>FLAG J</u>
Op CORPORATE - ROE	<u>FLAG K</u>
ROE for SSNs	<u>FLAG L</u>
Op PARAQUET - CINCFLEET OP O 2/82	<u>FLAG M</u>
Op PARAQUET - ROE	<u>FLAG N</u>
Op SUTTON - Planning Directive to CINCFLEET	<u>FLAG O</u>
Op SUTTON - CINCFLEET's Outline Plan	<u>FLAG P</u>
ROE for High Seas	<u>FLAG Q</u>
HAIG Final Text	<u>FLAG R</u>
HAIG Cover Note	<u>FLAG S</u>
JIC Note on Argentine Forces	<u>FLAG T</u>
Argentine Naval Auxiliaries	<u>FLAG U</u>
Announcements of Naval Engagements	<u>FLAG V</u>

Special Forces - C²FLAG WMaritime ROE State (as at 200600A Apr 82) FLAG X

2. ^{To be inserted.} Item 1 - Intelligence. A copy of the latest INTSUM is at FLAG B. Verbal brief at 0645A: Soviet Bear D on roulement from Luanda; no record of Sat Photo Int in last 24 hrs; no info on ELINT Sat since 19 Apr. Argentine Naval: CTG estimated to be halfway between Puerto Belgrano and FIs; no new info on subs; one state-owned merchantman in MEZ 75 nm South of FIs, hdg SSE at 2130Z last night. Army: some elements of 10 Infantry Bde on FIs - not clear whether they are replacing or re-inforcing 9 Bde. Air: mock-up aircraft may be dispersed on mainland A/Fs.
3. Item 2 - Our Forces. Summary at FLAG C.
4. Item 3 - PR. Early morning papers are pessimistic about British acceptance of Peace-plan.
5. Item 4 - Decisions/Actions Required (FLAG E). You may wish to raise item 0060 - ROE Op PARAQUET and item 0062 - ROE High Seas, in restricted session under AOB.
6. Item 5 - Operation SUTTON - Outline Plan. CDS has seen the outline plan at FLAG P. CINCFLEET admits that it is thin on detail and will need further refining. CAS is reported to be unhappy with it.
7. Item 6 - AOB. In restricted session?
- a. Debrief on OD(SA). Decision to authorise PARAQUET, with the understanding that with immediate effect ROE in accordance with Annex C will be enforced. OD(SA) reserved the right to give final authority for the Operation at 2359Z on 20 Apr but this in no way affected both the above agreements.
- b. ROE High Seas. Rules were agreed (FLAG N) at OD(SA) last night. CDS asked to discuss these with CNS at 0830 this morning.

Drafted by: SCDS
Dated: 20 Apr 82

(Wg Cdr W Rae)