

PRESENTATION TO OD(SA)

(A Note by ACDS(Ops))

1. The attached papers suggest an outline for the proposed presentation to OD(SA) at 0900 on Thursday 22 April 1982 in COBR.
2. It is proposed that the presentation should start with a slide showing key dates. This would be followed by the main options, an outline of which is attached. The presentation would end with an overlay showing the timing of major decisions required to be taken by OD(SA) related to the key dates.

Attachments:

Outline Timing of Main Events (Key dates).
Outline of Presentation.

PROPOSED PRESENTATION TO OD(SA) - 22 APRIL 1982Outline Timing of Main Events (Key Dates)

21 - 24 April	Retake South Georgia.
23 April	Earliest Landing force can sail from Ascension Island.
29 April	Main TF arrive and establish full exclusion zone.
7 May	Earliest date for Landing.
14 - 16 May	Earliest date 2 PARA/INTREPID arrive Falkland Islands.
16 May	Optimum date for Landing.
23 May	Latest date for Landing without increasing operational risk.

OUTLINE OF PRESENTATIONMilitary Options1. Full Exclusion Zone:

Requires full TF - available 29 April

Promulgate extension to:

Aircraft including helicopters engaged in re-supply

Merchant ships engaged in re-supply

Importance of Air Defence of the Task Force and Air superiority.

Importance of Port Stanley airfield to Argentinians.

Hence need for ROEs which include ability to bomb the airfield.

Ability to sustain actions above.

2. Use of Vulcans

a. For bombing Port Stanley airfield giving pros and cons.

b. Other possible uses.

c. Role of VICTOR Tankers.

3. Special Forces

a. Need and use for intelligence.

b. Methods of insertion.

(1) TF

(2) From Ascension Island

c. Use on offensive operations from Task Force [REDACTED]

4. Landing Options in Falkland Islands

a. Timing.

b. The Plan.

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5. SSN Operations outside the EZ.

6. Operations against Mainland Targets

a. [REDACTED]

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b. Others.

7. S. Sandwich Island (S. Thule)

Notes:

1. For each item, the significant military, political or legal effects should be brought out.
2. ACDS(Ops) will present all items except Item 2 (VULCANS) which will be presented by ACAS(Ops).