

File No.
2038151

COS(INFORMAL) MEETING AT 0900
COS MEETING AT 1000 WEDNESDAY 21 APRIL 1982

RELEVANT PAPERS

1. I enclose the following:

COS(I)

- Draft Outline Presentation to OD(SA) FLAG A
- Cabinet Office list of those invited FLAG B

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- Agenda COS 26th Meeting/82 FLAG C
- Intsum No 34 at 210600Z Apr 82 FLAG D
- Force Tote Summary (map at TAB 1) FLAG E
- Minutes of 25th Meeting FLAG F
- Decisions/Actions required (including Flow Chart) FLAG G
- Op SUTTON Timetable (Item 5 of COS Agenda) FLAG H
- Op CORPORATE - Aim FLAG I
- Op CORPORATE - Military Appreciation FLAG J
- Op CORPORATE - ROE FLAG K
- ROE for SSNs FLAG L
- Maritime ROE State at 210600A Apr FLAG M
- Op SUTTON - CINCFLEET's Outline Plan FLAG P
- ROE for High Seas FLAG Q
- HAIG Final Text FLAG R
- HAIG Cover Note FLAG S
- JIC Note on Argentine Forces FLAG T
- Argentine Naval Auxiliaries FLAG U
- Announcements of Naval Engagements FLAG V

COS(I) PRESENTATION TO OD(SA)

2. The draft, which is a typed up version of your handwritten piece, is at FLAG A. No amendment resulted from the 2-star clearance that ACDS(Ops) put out but see para 6 below.

3. Aim. It is not clear what the aim of this presentation is and I believe, as a first step, you should discuss this with your colleagues. Presumably the aim is along the lines of:

"To inform OD(SA) of the Military factors and timings relevant to HMG's overall aim in Operation CORPORATE prior to the Foreign Secretary's next discussions with Mr Haig".

4. Are there any particular slants or critical messages that deserve the status of subsidiary aims?

Devising.

5. Op SUTTON Timetable. You need to look at FLAG H which is due to be discussed at COS under CAS Chairmanship. This looks a useful chart to me and would seem to have a role to play in your presentation to OD(SA).

6. Comments Received. These include:

a. Open with resumé of the situation

b. Outline of Main events should cover:

(1) 25 Apr

(2) ?

(3) 26/27 Apr

Special Forces Insertion

Vulcans available to bomb Port Stanley airfield

CLOSED FOR 40 YEARS UNDER
FOI SECTION 27

These all seem significant points.

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7. CAS is due to see Dep SECCOS and PSO at 0945 for a short pre-meeting brief.

NO

8. The Agenda (FLAG C) is routine apart from Item 5 (FLAG H and para 5 above).

9. The Minutes of the last meeting (FLAG F) seem satisfactory to me. Is the timescale for the AFD consideration of the Vulcans satisfactory in the light of bringing forward the OD(A) presentation?

10. I have seen a note from DCDS(I) on the debriefing of FI refugees but not one relating RM who have just returned from South Georgia and FI. I am enquiring.

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but that is all at the
moment.*

Drafted by: SCDS
Dated: 21 Apr 82

(Capt P C Abbott)