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## TODAY'S PROGRAMME

CDS is expected in office at about 0800 for the OD(SA)(82) presentation at 0900 hours and the COS Meeting at 1100 hours. Thereafter, the day looks fairly quiet.

## THE POLITICAL SCENE

The FCS has sent a number of signals (ODSA FLAG H) outlining the game plan for his visit to Washington. At the same time an interesting exchange of FCO/HMA Washington signals (ODSA FLAG G) passed more Haig-speak. The last Haig signal of interest (ODSA FLAG F) (I might be forced to tell the Argentines about OP PARAQUET) may cause FCS to delay his visit to Washington.
I think we should reconsider the UN submission now before PARAQUET breaks out.

## MILITARY AFFAIRS

- All goes according to plan except that the Canberras have been held at Belize (ODSA FLAG X). The SAS Recce Party are safely ashore on South Georgia (ODSA FLAG V). The USAF Base Commander at Wideawake is not happy about the Vulcans, he will "consult with his superiors" who will no doubt wind in his neck.
- ACDS(Ops)'s detailed brief attached will complete the picture.

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