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CHIEFS OF STAFF COMMITTEE
AT 0930 AND 1130 HRS ON
FRIDAY 23 APRIL 1982

RELEVANT PAPERS

1. The following are enclosed:

- ✓ Agenda ⁰⁹³⁰ 0930/1130 hrs FLAGS A ~~AND B~~
- 0700 INTSUM 230600Z FLAG B
- Totcom Force Tote Summary (Map at TAB 1) FLAG D/C
- Decision/Action Required FLAG D
- ✓ Critical Path Decisions/Action FLAG E
- ✓ Minutes of COS 28 Meeting FLAG G
- Minutes of COS 29 Meeting FLAG H
- Decisions/Actions Required (COS Meetings) FLAG I

- Maritime ROE State 230600A Apr 82 FLAG J
- ROE - Maritime and Air Exclusion Zone FLAG K
- Against Surveillance Aircraft FLAG L
- SSNs FLAG M
- High Seas FLAG N
- Op CORPORATE FLAG O
- Op CORPORATE - Military Appreciation FLAG P
- Strategic Options FLAG Q
- Op SUTTON - CINCFLTET Outline Plan FLAG R
- Decisions Required FLAG S
- ~~AFD Paper - Vulcan Attack on Stanley Airfield~~ ~~FLAG T~~
- CDS' Submission on Deployment of Vulcans FLAG T
- ODSA(O) Debrief - 23 April 1982 to STI FLAG U

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2. ITEM ONE - Intelligence. Verbal brief at 0630A: (Navy) Reliable report 222300Z TG 79.1 operating in vicinity of area CARLOS. At same time, a Type 42 possibly from TG 79.2 was in vicinity of area ANDRES. (Army) Further report of possible deployment of ROLAND to FIs. (Air) Neptune(s) detected on LRMP at 2100Z off South Georgia by Spartan. The 5 Super Etendards are expected to operate from mainland bases only. 0700 INTSUM will be at FLAG C.

3. ITEM TWO - Own Forces. (Navy) Battle Group is now 850 nm NE of RV with Brilliant. SHEFFIELD has taken CTU of TU 317.8.2 which remains covert at RV. BRILLIANT detached to join TC 317.9. ATLANTIC conveyor ETD 1600 today. (air) One Victor MRR flown. Discreet air combat took place yesterday between Mirage / Super Etendard and Harrier, Lightning and Hunter. One Nimrod MRR flown. (Spec Ops) No news of SBS insertion last night.

4. ITEM THREE - PR. Media very interested in 4 items: R Adm Woodward interview; Argentine 707 sorties; 2 propaganda broadcasts (Tokyo Rose) put out by Argentina; US Tanker bound for ASI with aviation fuel.

5. ITEM FOUR - Actions and Decisions Required (FLAG II). Assessment of Vulcan capability - to be taken separately at 1130 mtg, Item Three.

6. ITEM FIVE - AOB. CDS wished to brief on the arrangements for Sunday's COS Mtg. I believe CDS wanted VCDS(P&L) to chair with single-Service representation at Vice-Chief or 2-Star level.

MEETING AT 1130

7. ITEM ONE - OP CORPORATE Strategic Options. Paper at FLAG 9 outlines options in addition to Op SUTTON.

8. ITEM TWO - Meeting at Chequers. The key military decisions for Op SUTTON outlined at FLAG 5 need to be addressed by OD(SA) at Chequers on Sunday.

9. ITEM THREE - Vulcans Bombing Stanley Airfield. Paper is at FLAG T. If Ministers do not make a positive decision on Sunday at Chequers, then the Vulcan option is out unless the requirement to ferry Sea Harriers and RAF Harriers to Ascension early in May is relegated to a Lower Priority.

10. ITEM FOUR - AOB. CDS may wish to brief his colleagues in COS(I) on the South Georgia situation.

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