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SECRET

REPLY NOT REQUIRED

UNCLASSIFIED REPLY OR DEFENSE

EXCLUSIVE  
UK EYES B

PRIORITY

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O P 252330Z APR 82  
FM CTG 317.9  
TO CTF 317  
INFO CTG 317.8  
MODUK NAVY  
TG 317.9  
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SIC AAA/19J

OPERATION PARAQUAT

S. GEORGIA CONSOLIDATION/LONG TERM SUPPORT

1. FUTHER PLANS FOR TG 317.9 ARE DEPENDENT ON OVERALL POLITICAL/  
MILITARY INTENTIONS FOR S. GEORGIA.

2. GARRISON OPTIONS

A. LEAVE UNGUARDED

B. ASSESS EFFECTIVE PRESENCE COULD BE MAINTAINED GRYTVIKEN AND LEITH  
AREAS BY M COY GP 42 CDO AND SUPPORT ELMS. TOTAL 134. SAS/SBS  
WITHDRAW AND EMBARK TG 317.9, TO INCLUDE SBS EX CONQUEROR IF REQUIRED  
C. 2B WOULD REQUIRE MINIMUM 72 HOURS FOR CONSOLIDATION OF M COY  
GP WRT FRONT/SECOND LINE STORES AND VICTUALS

3. SEA SUPPORT. OPTIONS

A. TG 317.9 REMAINS XMT BRILLIANT

B. PLYMOUTH AND TIDESPRING REMAIN

C. ENDURANCE REMAINS

D. NIL. FURTHER SUPPORT REQUIRED AFTER THREE WEEKS. CONSIDER  
THIS WOULD LEAVE M COY VERY VULNERABLE TO REPRISAL ATTACK

E. LAND FORCE COMMANDER CONSIDERS NAVAL PRESENCE ESSENTIAL

4. SANTA FE. INTEND CO BRILLIANT EXAMINE SANTA FE 26 APR. IF  
CONSIDERED AT ALL SEA WORTHY INTEND DISABLING ALONGSIDE WITH  
CONSEQUENT OBSTRUCTION OF BAS JETTY ON KING EDWARD POINT UNTIL  
TOWED AWAY

5. BAS PERSONNEL. DOES DIRECTIVE TO EVACUATE (MODUK AAA/19J  
221345Z APR 82) STILL APPLY QUES.

6. COMMUNICATIONS. IF TG 317.9 DEPARTS M COY GP WOULD BE LEFT  
PORTABLE HF EQUIPMENT.

7. PRISONERS. APPROX 200 TO BE EVACUATED EXCLAM.

POW CAMP IN S. GEORGIA NOT VIABLE FOR LONGER THAN 48 HOURS. OPTIONS

A. DIVIDE AMONGST TG 317.9 XMT BRILLIANT. BRILLIANT RETURN TG 317.8  
WHEN HIS LYNX HAVE HELPED COMPLETE CONSOLIDATION OF LAND FORCES.

B. TG 317.9 TO ASCENSION FOR EARLIEST RETURN OF PRISONERS TO ARGENTINA.

8. DIVIDE BETWEEN ENDURANCE AND TIDESPRING. TG 317.9 XMT BRILLIANT  
AS ABOVE ESCORT (OUR ONLY FUEL IN RFA) UNTIL RELEASED BY DEDICATED  
POW SHIP OR TG 317.9 SUPPORTED BY ANOTHER TANKER.

C. EMBARK A OR B ABOVE AND WAIT ARRIVAL DEDICATED POW SHIP

D. INVITE NEUTRAL COUNTRY TO REPATRIATE FROM S. GEORGIA

8. APPRECIATE ABOVE POSES MORE QUESTIONS THAN ANSWERS BUT AM  
UNABLE TO PROPOSE POSITIVE COURSE OF ACTION WITHOUT KNOWLEDGE  
OF LONG TERM STRATEGY

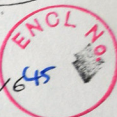
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