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NAVAL ACTION OUTSIDE THE TOTAL EXCLUSION ZONE

At the meeting of OD(SA) at Chequers yesterday, there was a discussion of decisions which were likely to be required on major issues during the coming week. Summing up the discussion the Prime Minister said that further consideration would need to be given to the circumstances in which it might be necessary to attack the Argentine Navy outside the Total Exclusion Zone (TEZ), to the Rules of Engagement (ROE) which would be needed and to the possibility of warning it not to move beyond certain geographical limits. OD(SA) then:

Invited the Defence Secretary to report further on the appropriate ROE if it became necessary to attack the Argentine Navy outside the TEZ, and on the possibility of warning it to limit its movements, as indicated by the Prime Minister in her summing up.

2. The Secretary of State would be grateful if CDS could set in hand the necessary action to prepare advice for him on this subject, and, in consultation with the Defence Secretariat, to arrange for the preparation of a paper for OD(SA).

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