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OPERATION SUTTON - INCREASE IN FORCE LEVELS

1. LATEST INTELLIGENCE INDICATES ENEMY FORCE LEVELS
ASHORE OF UP TO 7 BATTALIONS, PROBABLY DEPLOYED IN BRIGADE
STRENGTH AT PORT STANLEY AND IN WELL DEFENDED POSITIONS AT OTHER
KEY CENTRES OF POPULATION. IN ORDER TO DEFEAT THE MAIN ENEMY
POSITIONS AND MAINTAIN A STRONG RESERVE, I SHALL REQUIRE AT LEAST
8 BATTALIONS.

2. I REQUIRE A MINIMUM INCREASE IN MILITARY FORCE LEVELS OF
BRIGADE SIZE WITH NECESSARY SUPPORTING ASSETS.

3. GIVEN THE NEED TO ACHIEVE REPOSSESSION IN THE QUICKEST AND
MOST ECONOMICAL WAY, IN WORSENING WEATHER AND IN THE FACE
MATERIAL ATTRITION, I ASSESS THAT THESE REINFORCEMENTS SHOULD

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ARRIVE IN THE FALKLAND ISLANDS WITHIN 14 DAYS OF THE MAIN LANDING,
I.E. 30 MAY, IF THE MOMENTUM IS TO BE MAINTAINED.

4. REINFORCEMENTS COULD BE FLOWN TO ASCENSION AND TRANSPORTED IN
PRESENT STUFF RELEASED AFTER THE MAIN LANDING. IN THIS CASE, TH
COULD NOT ARRIVE IN FALKLAND ISLANDS UNTIL 15 JUN AT EARLIEST,
TOO LATE FOR MILITARY ADVANTAGES TO BE FULLY ACHIEVED. I
THEREFORE RECOMMEND THAT REINFORCEMENTS EADARK IN FRESH STUFF
DEPING UK 5 MAY

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