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BRIEF FOR ACDS(OPS) - DOE MEETING SAT 5 JUNE 1000 HRS

AGENDA ITEM 1 (INTELLIGENCE)

1. Please see Intsums 122 and 123 in the DSC folder.
2. There is no change to the Argentine Air Orbat issued 4 Jun - Orbat in folder.

AGENDA ITEM 2 (OWN FORCES)

3. The Force Tote ás at 050600A is at (1).
4. The latest CTF Sitrep is at (2).
5. Last night's MODUK Sitrep is at (3).
6. The latest Casualty Summary is at (4).
7. Surface Forces.
 - a. Outside TEZ.
 - (1) GLASGOW ETA Ascension 7 Jun.
 - (2) ARGONAUT departed en route Ascension.
 - (3) GLASGOW and ARGONAUT released from OP CORPORATE due to extensive damage. Both returning to home ports; ETA latter half and end of June respectively. A minimum turn around time in harbour for GLASGOW has been requested.
 - (4) QE2 R/v DUMBARTON CASTLE 50 NM SW Ascension late 4 Jun for personnel, ammunition and stores transfer to Ascension.
 - (5) HECLA departed Montevideo 3 Jun with ICRC observer on board for transference to BAHIA PARAISO. BAHIA PARAISO has embarked Argentinian wounded from UGANDA and is en route to Fox Bay and has requested permission to enter Port Howard.

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(6) HYDRA en route to Montevideo with 16 stretcher and 35 walking British casualties embarked: ETA 061300Z. Subject to diplomatic clearance depart by VC10 for UK same day.

(7) HERALD has been shuttling between the RCB and Carlos Water. She is presently in the RCB.

b. TEZ.

(1) Battle Group (TU 317.8.1) operating to east of TEZ.

(2) CARDIFF and ACTIVE during night carried out NGS on Port Stanley area.

(3) MINERVA, STROMNESS and CANBERRA have departed Carlos Water; to be replaced by PENELOPE, ANDROMEDA, BLUE ROVER and SIR GERAIN.

(4) SIR GALAHAD is unloading at Teal Inlet.

(5) Continuing poor weather has prevented deployment of SHAR and GR3 FOB and curtailed flying operations.

(6) Transfer 4 x SK5 and 2 x SK2 for lift duties in Transport Area (San Carlos Water).

(7) MV MONSUNEN, now friendly, operating between San Carlos and Bluff Cove.

8. Air.

a. Nimrod flew a 400 NM Surface Surveillance sortie yesterday; the Soviet Primorye AGI was relocated. A similar sortie is planned for today.

b. A long range Hercules airdrop to MINERVA was aborted due to failure of in flight refuelling equipment. Sortie rescheduled for today.

9. Land Forces.

a. 3 Cdo Bde

(1) 3 Para remain NW of Mount Longdon.

(2) 42 Cdo patrol struck minefield during night 2/3

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Jun; one own forces wounded. In contact with 5 man Argentine patrol 3 enemy were killed.

(3) 45 Cdo are moving from Teal Inlet to Smoko Mountain area.

b. 5 Bde.

(1) 2 Para at Bluff Cove with 1/7 Gurkhas on move to join them.

(2) 2 SG and 1WG are moving to Bluff Cove area night of 5/6 Jun.

c. Force Troops.

(1) 40 Cdo continues defence of San Carlos FMA.

10. Intentions.

a. CTF - to establish Harrier FOB at San Carlos.

b. CLFFI - 2 Cdo attack on Twin Sisters Mountain within next 48 hours.

11. POW. At the end of your brief the Chairman and SCPL are prepared for you to invite SCPL (representing ACDS(P&L)) to update the DOE on details additional to the CCTV Briefing about the repatriation of POW and ASTIZ. A Copy of SCPLs brief is at (5).

AGENDA ITEM 3 (PUBLIC RELATIONS)

12. ACNS(OP) may raise the subject of DPR(Army)'s paper on Post Occupation PR. We expect this to be raised under ITEM 4, but if he raises it here refer to (6) which is your brief.

AGENDA ITEM 4 (UNFORESEEN MATTERS)

13. DPR(Army) paper on Falklands; Post Occupation PR may be raised by ACNS(OP) at this point. Your brief is at (6). ACNS(OP)'s brief for your information is at (7).

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FCO (low weight)

OWN AIRCRAFT STATE

AS AT 050600A JUN

| AIRCRAFT | TOTAL EX UK | LOSSES | | | TOTAL REMAINING |
|--|-------------------|-------------------------|-----------------|----------------------|--------------------|
| | | ACCIDENT | ENEMY ACTION | | |
| | | | CONFIRMED | NOT YET CONFIRMED | |
| <u>TASK FORCE AREAS</u> | | | | | |
| SEA HARRIER | 28 | 4 | 2 | | 22 |
| HARRIER GR3 | 8 | | 3 | | 5 |
| SEA KING 2&5A/S | 25 | 2 | | | 23 (NOTE 1) |
| SEA KING 2/4 CDO | 24 | 3 | | | 21 |
| WESSEX 3 A/S | 2 | | | | 2 |
| WESSEX 5 CDO/HDS | 46 | 2 | 6 | | 38 |
| LYNX GP | 23 | | 3 | | 20 |
| CHINOOK ML | 4 | | 3 | | 1 |
| GAZELLE UT | 15 | | 2 | | 13 |
| WASP GP | 10 | | | | 10 |
| SCOUT GP | 12 | | 1 | | 11 |
| <u>AT ASCENSION</u> | | | | | |
| VICTOR K2 | 15 | | | | |
| NIMROD | 4 | | | | |
| HERCULES LR | 2 | | | | |
| HARRIER GR3 | 2 | | | | |
| PHANTOM | 3 | | | | |
| SEA KING 3 | 1 | | | | |
| WESSEX 5 | 2 | | | | |
| VULCAN | 1 (1 DIVERTED) | | | | |
| <u>IN TRANSIT</u> | | | | | |
| | | <u>CONTENDER BEZANT</u> | <u>ENGADINE</u> | | |
| WESSEX 5 CDO | | | 4 | | |
| GAZELLE UT | | 2 | | | |
| SCOUT | | | | | |
| CHINOOK | | 4 | | | |
| WASP | | 2 | | | |
| SEA KING 2/5 A/S | | 1 | | | |
| HARRIER GR3 | | 4 | | | |
| <u>NOTE</u> | | | | | |
| 1. 4 x SEA KING 2 HAVE BEEN RE-ROLED AS CDO. | | | | | |