The PUS has asked, on Montevideo telegram No. 449, whether he should complain to the MOD about the great difficulty to which their serious oversight in connection with boxes loaded accidentally on a VC 10, has put the Embassy in Montevideo.

- 2. I talked to the Chief of Air Staff about this on 8 June, and he was suitably apologetic about the RAF's slip-up. I had already emphasised to the Chiefs of Staff the considerable difficulties under which the Embassy in Montevideo are operating, and I think that the point has now been well taken (though arrangements for repatriation of prisoners and wounded are still proving to be extraordinarily complicated).
- 3. In the circumstances, I would not recommend any further complaint to the MOD on this matter.

(P.R.H. Wright) 10 June, 1982.

cc Mr. Gillmore

