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FROM COMMANDER NAVAL GROUP FALKLANDS
 TO COMMANDER NAVAL OPERATIONS
 NO GNR 0000
 INTERNAL DATE 1306821313
 ORDER OF OPERATIONS
 COMMANDER OF THE FLEET NO XX S/82 "RACHAZ0"((SIC))
 REFERENCES
 TIME ZONE: < 3 HOURS
 ORGANIZATION,
 TASK FORCE XX COMPRISING;:

- TASK GROUP XX.1 (2 SUMNER GEARING CLASS DESTROYERS AND 1 GRANVILLE CLASS CORVETTE)
- TASK GROUP XX.2 (2 SUMNER GEARING CLASS DESTROYERS AND 1 GRANVILLE CLASS CORVETTE)
- TASK GROUP XX.3 (2 INDOMITA CLASS FAST LAUNCHES)
- TASK GROUP XX.4 (2 SALTA CLASS SUBMARINES)
- TASK GROUP XX.5 (ZZ GROUPS OF THE AGRUBUTAC((I)) AND AGRUCOAN((II)))
- TASK UNIT XX.6 TRANSPORT BUEN SUCESO
- TASK UNIT((1 OR 2 WORDS GARBLED)) FORREST

1. SITUATION

THE ENEMY HAS DISEMBARKED AND CONSOLIDATED BEACH HEADS AT PORT SAN CARLOS AND SAN CARLOS BAY, AND HAS FORMED A LAND ATTACK FRONT FROM THE WEST ON PORT STANLEY, HAVING RECENTLY TAKEN THE DARWIN AREA. AT THE SAME TIME THEY ARE MAINTAINING THE NAVAL BLOCKADE WITH SUBMARINES AND SURFACE VESSELS IN THE ENTIRE MARITIME ZONE AROUND THE FALKLANDS. THE AERIAL ACTIVITY OF THE ENEMY HAS DIMINISHED APPRECIABLY, SUGGESTING THAT THEY HAVE BEGUN OPERATIONS OF HARRIER AIRCRAFT FROM THE SAN CARLOS AREA. IN THE TIME SINCE "D" DAY, THE MAJORITY OF THE ENEMY VESSELS HAVE REMAINED TO THE EAST OF EAST FALKLAND IN SUPPORT OF THE ATTACK ON PORT STANLEY.

ENEMY FORCES;

BRITISH TASK FORCE DEPLOYED IN THE SOUTH ATLANTIC FRIENDLY FORCES;

- A. ELEMENTS OF THE AIR FORCE BASED ON THE MAINLAND.
- B. ARGENTINE ARMY RESERVE TRANSPORTED BY AIR.
- C. TROOPS OF THE 8 INFANTRY REGIMENT AND 9 ENGINEERS AT FOX BAY.



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MISSION

DESTROY AND/OR NEUTRALIZE VITAL TACTICAL OBJECTIVES OF ENEMY LOCATED ON LAND IN AJAX BAY, THE DARWIN ZONE, TOWN AND PORT OF SAN CARLOS, AND NAVAL UNITS IN SAN CARLOS BAY AND FALKLAND SOUND. SIMULTANEOUSLY SUPPORT AND PROTECT THE TRANSPORT OF ARMY TROOPS FROM FOX TO PUERTO REY((NFI)).

3. EXECUTION

A. CONCEPT OF OPERATIONS

DURING THE NIGHT OF D<2 AND EARLY MORNING OF D<3 THE FOLLOWING OPERATIONS WILL BE CARRIED OUT SUCCESSIVELY AND/OR CONSECUTIVELY:

- ATTACK BY "SUBTLE" FORCES ON THE ENEMY LOGISTIC SET-UP AT SAN CARLOS AND/OR SURFACE UNITS IN SAN CARLOS BAY AND AJAX BAY
- SURFACE ATTACK BY OUR UNITS THROUGH THE NORTH AND SOUTH ACCESS ROUTES TO THE FALKLAND SOUND, TO DESTROY ENEMY SURFACE UNITS
- NAVAL BOMBARDMENTS ON THE ZONES OF DARWIN AND SAN CARLOS.
- SUBMARINE PATROLS ON THE NE AND SW ACCESS ROUTES TO THE FALKLAND SOUND.
- PROTECTION FOR THE MOVEMENT OF THE TROOPS OF INFANTRY REGIMENT 8, AND 9TH ENGINEERS, FROM FOX BAY TO PUERTO REY ON THE ARGENTINE NAVAL TRANSPORT BUEN SUCESSO
- MOVEMENT OF 2 FAST ATTACK LAUNCHES AND THE GRANVILLE CLASS CORVETTE TO THE PORT STANLEY ZONE
- DROPPING OF AIRBORNE TROOP RESERVES IN THE ZONE TO THE NE OF SAN CARLOS
- GATHERING-IN OF SURFACE UNITS, IN SUCH A WAY THAT BEFORE DAWN OF DAY D<3 THEY ARE 80 NAUTICAL MILES NORTH EAST OF MERIDIAN 610088W, IN THE DIRECTION OF THE CONTINENT
- AIR ATTACK ON THE SAN CARLOS ZONE DURING THE DAWN AND MORNING OF D<3 DAY, AT THE SAME TIME AS THE DROPPING OF RESERVES TO THE NE OF SAN CARLOS

((TEXT INCOMPLETE, REMAINDER TO FOLLOW WHEN AVAILABLE))

FOOTNOTES: ((I)) POSSIBLY TACTICAL SHIP GROUP

((II)) NFI



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GCHQ COMMENT: IN VIEW OF THE ORIGINATOR OF THIS MESSAGE AND THE UNDECIDED DESIGNATION OF THE TASK FORCE AND MAY WELL REPRESENT A PLAN SUBMITTED BY COMMANDER NAVAL GROUP FALKLANDS FOR A POSSIBLE NAVAL/AIR ROLE IN OFFENSIVE ARGENTINE OPERATIONS IN THE FALKLANDS AREA FOR CONSIDERATION BY HIS SUPERIORS.



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