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OD(SA)/CABINET MEETINGS
DATED 4 MAY 1982 AT 0900 AND 1000

RELEVANT PAPERS

1. I enclose the following papers:

Agenda

Washington Diptel No 1566 of 2 May - FCS
Washington Press Conference

OD(SA)(82)55 - Diplomatic Action Following
the Failure of Mr Haig's Proposals

Washington Diptels - Pause in Military Action

Santiago Tel No 205 of 3 May - Replacement
for General Galtieri

Washington JIC Tel No 170 of 3 May -
CIA Report

OD(SA)(82)24 - ROE for TEZ

Minutes of OD(SA) 21st Meeting - Enforcement
of TEZ, Vulcans, SF

OD(SA)(82)36 - Argentine Aircraft Carrier

Minutes of OD(SA) 22nd Meeting - Argentine
Aircraft Carrier

Wade-Gery's Minute to PS/SofS, 2 May 82 -
Military Decisions at Chequers

Hd of DS5 Minute to PS/SofS 3 May 82 -
ROE for Attack on Naval Auxiliaries

Kug Peruvian Peace Plan Diptels

COS(Misc)187/742/1 dated 1 May 82 - Military
Options for Repossession of Falkland Islands

COS(Misc)189/742/1 dated 2 May 82 - US
Assistance

Analysis of Shipping Taken Up from Trade -
Current Arrangements

FLAG A

WASHINGTON 022504
FLAG B

FLAG C

FLAG D *WASHINGTON 022504*

FLAG E *032100Z MAY*

FLAG F *032100Z MAY*

FLAG G *Reps*

FLAG H ---

FLAG I ---

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FLAG K *FE 753*

FLAG L *FE 795*

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FLAG P

AGENDUM

2. The aim of the unilluminating Agendum (FLAG A) appears to be to debrief Mr Pym on his Washington trip. There is a report of his Press Conference in Washington (FLAG B) and I have included the paper on Diplomatic Action Following the Failure of Mr Haig's Proposals (FLAG C).

5. But there is bound to be some agonizing over Haig's plea for a pause in our offensive after the success of our recent military engagements. I have included the overnight Washington Diptels on the subject (FLAG D). For evidence of the impact of these actions in Argentina, you should read the report that General Galtieri is about to be replaced (FLAG E) and the CIA assessment of the Argentine Navy's reaction to the sinking of the GENERAL BELGRANO at FLAG F. The Argentines obviously have an enormous capacity for self-delusion, so until we see clear evidence of popular demand to stop the attrition and acceptance of the withdrawal of their FI garrison, we should be wary of easing up. External pressures for peace are also bound to grow, see the Peruvian Peace Plan Diptels (FLAG M).

FURTHER TOPICS

4. In case you do consider changing ROE, I have included the ROE for the TEZ (FLAG G) and the Minutes relating to their enforcement (FLAG H). You might also need to refer to the ROE for the Argentine Aircraft Carrier (FLAG I) and the subsequent approval for Option A in the OD(SA) Minutes (FLAG J). It was agreed at Chequers on Sunday that these also apply to other Argentine Naval vessels (less Auxiliaries) (FLAG K). You will wish to note, whilst disagreeing with the method of his request, that DS5 has asked for the caveat on Auxiliaries to be lifted (FLAG L).

5. Should you get on to reviewing Military Options, I have included ACDS(Pol)'s paper (FLAG M) and in the same category of "might be useful" I attach a copy of the US Assistance paper (FLAG O).

6. The data on STUFF you requested is at FLAG P.

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