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CHIEFS OF STAFF 42ND MEETING AT 1030 WEDNESDAY 5 MAY 1982

RELEVANT PAPERS

1. I enclose the following:

Agenda	FLAG A
Intsum No 62 at 050600Z May	FLAG B
Own Force Tote (Map at TAB 1)	FLAG C
Minutes of 41st Meeting	FLAG D
Op CORPORATE - Actions in Hand	FLAG E
Record of Decisions - Actions Completed	FLAG F
ROE in force O50600A May	FLAG G
Defence of Ascension Island	FLAG H
Special Forces Deployment - ACDS(Ops)	FLAG I
CTF 317's 041816Z May	FLAG J
CTF 317's 042204Z May	FLAG K
Op CORPORATE Long Term Measures - DCDS(OR)	FLAG L
Ideas for a new Diplomatic Move (inc draft Message to Haig)	FLAG M
Hd of DS11 comments on substance of $\underline{\text{FLAG M}}$	FLAG N

AGENDA

- 2. At some stage you may wish to ask CNS to give a debrief of this morning's OD(SA). This might best be done under Item 2 (Own Forces) as the purpose of his attendance was to give the latest news on SHEFFIELD. OD(SA) were also due to consider a proposed response to the US/Peruvian peace move (FLAG M). You should ask the FCO (or CNS if he stayed on for this) to report on this.
- 3. I have no other points to make on Item 1 (Intsum at FLAG B), Item 2 (Own Forces at FLAG C) and Item 3 (PR).

- 4. Item 4 (Actions and Decisions at FLAG F). ACDS(Ops)'s paper on Ascension Island (FLAG H) is due for out of committee clearance by 1200 today and Item 5 covers Special Forces.
- 5. Item 5 (Special Forces paper at FLAG I). ACDS(Ops)' brief paper concludes that the Air Troop should remain in the UK. If the COS agree this CTF 317 will need to be informed.
- 6. CTF 317 has asked for the ROE for the Special Forces to be changed, FLAGs J and K set out the background. This is being staffed at time of writing. I suggest you reduce to limited session (COS, PUS and ACDS(Ops)?) prior to asking ACDS(Ops) to give you his ideas on the request.
- 7. Item 6 (AOB). The main point here seems to be the US/Peruvian initiative (FLAGs M and N). However, as I have said at para 2 above, you will need to raise this whilst the FCO are present, perhaps most conveniently between Item 2 (Own Forces) and Item 3 (PR). In any event this is primarily a matter for the politicians and FCO.

Drafted by: SCDS Dated: 7 May 82 (Capt P C Abbott)