



operations or to the home or Gibraltar Dockyards. In the light of requirements arising from operation Corporate short and longer term plans for the future of UK Dockyards are being re-examined."

Para 11,
Line 3

Delete "There appear..... major significance"

Substitute

"A particular problem lies in the adequate provision of Sidewinder missiles where combat experiences has proved the pressing need for AIM 9L to counter Mirages. Unless urgent action is taken there are likely to be critical shortages."

Para 11

The problem of maintaining the logistic chain is not addressed. Add following to end of para:-

"Attrition caused by enemy action and the increased usage of the ships involved in maintaining the logistic line of communication will result in increasing difficulty in finding suitable ships for the role. Supplies of POL and food to the South Atlantic are being adjusted to sustain the forecast force levels and likely usage."

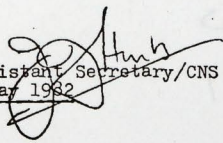
Para 20

The immediate replacements on station for men and vehicles in 3 Commando Brigade Royal Marines will be less than the 10% attrition figure. The shortage is unlikely to be critical.

Para 25

Delete all after first sentence and substitute:-

"The long term cost of maintaining the garrison will require special financial provision if we are not to reduce our capability for other priority tasks."


Assistant Secretary/CNS
7 May 1962