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REF A. CTF 317 AAA/ADA/19N 221539Z MAY 82. - why not copied us?

B. CTG 317.1 AAA/19N 121133Z MAY 82 ①

1. YOU MAY NOT HAVE SEEN REFERENCE A WHICH ASKS FOR MY FUTURE INTENTIONS WHICH ARE CLN

A. THE INSERTION OF D SQN 22 SAS INTO THE MOUNT KENT/MOUNT CHALLENGER AREA TO ESTABLISH MORAL AND PHYSICAL DOMINATION OVER THE ENEMY IN THE PORT STANLEY AREA.

B. INSERTION 6 SBS SALVADOR WATER NIGHT 24/25 MAY TO RECCE APPROACHES TO PORT STANLEY FROM THE NORTH WEST AND TO IDENTIFY OPPORTUNITY TARGETS WHICH WILL THEN BE TAKEN ON.

C. 26 MAY. BN RAID INTO GOOSE GREEN/DARWIN TO DISLODGE ENEMY KNOWN TO BE THERE AT PRESENT.

D. COY STOOD BY FOR RAID ON DUNNOSE HEAD AIRSTRIP PENDING RECCE REPORT FROM SBS TEAM INSERTED NIGHT 22/23 MAY. *task w*

E. NIGHT 25/26 MAY COMAW HAS AGREED TO INSERT SBS TEAMS INTO FOX BAY AND PORT HOWARD TO DIRECT GR 3 HARRIER STRIKES AND NGS. TEAMS WITHDRAW 29 MAY AND REINSERT 1 JUN. *task w*

F. M AND AW CADRE TEAM INSERTING NIGHT 23/24 MAY TO TAKE OUT ENEMY OP THOUGHT TO BE DIRECTING AIRCRAFT AGAINST BEACHEAD AREA.

3. ALL THESE OPERATIONS REQUIRE MOVEMENT ASSETS BOTH AIR AND SEA BORNE. THE USE OF THESE ASSETS UP TO NOW HAVE BEEN LIMITED BY ENEMY AIR ACTION WHICH HAS, FOR EXAMPLE, CLN

A. PROHIBITED MOVEMENT BY HELICOPTER OUTSIDE AIR DEFENCE COVER BY DAY.

B. REDUCED SHIPS AVAILABLE FOR INSERTIONS AND NGS FOR RAIDS.

C. INTERFERRED WITH THE UNLOADING THUS SLOWING DOWN OUR ESTABLISHMENT OF A FIRM BASE ASHORE AS A SPRINGBOARD FOR FUTURE OPERATIONS INCLUDING CONSTRUCTION OF HARRIER PADS AND FUEL FACILITIES WHICH ARE UNLIKELY TO BE COMPLETED FOR FIVE DAYS AFTER LSL SIR BEDIVERE ARRIVES.

D. CAUSED CANBERRA TO BE SAILED OUT OF AOA TAKING WITH HER A SUBSTANTIAL PART OF THE ECHS OF THREE CDOS/BNS.

4. I CONSIDER THAT THE INTENTIONS IN PARA ONE ARE CONSISTENT WITH YOUR INSTRUCTIONS IN REF B. HOWEVER I INFER FROM REF A AND FROM CONVERSATIONS MY DEPUTY HAS HAD WITH LAND DEPUTY CINCFLEET THAT MORE IS REQUIRED. HOWEVER UNTIL EN IS BEATEN IN THE AIR TO CONDUCT LARGE SCALE OFFENSIVE OPERATIONS INVOLVING CONSIDERABLE TP AND LOGISTIC MOVEMENT BY HEL AND LC OUTSIDE AIR DEFENCE UMBRELLA WOULD BE UNWISE.

5. COMAW IS IN COMPLETE AGREEMENT WITH MY VIEWS

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