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EXCLUSIVE FOR COMMANDERS FROM CINC

1. I AM MUCH IMPRESSED BY THE SPEED AND DETERMINATION WITH WHICH YOU HAVE CLOSED UP TO THE ENEMY MAIN POSITION. ALL HERE REALISE THAT THIS HAS BEEN UNDERTAKEN IN DREADFUL CONDITIONS AND I FULLY UNDERSTAND THE LOGISTIC DIFFICULTIES ENTAILED. THE STANGLEHOLD WHICH YOU NOW SO OBVIOUSLY HAVE ON ENEMYS THROAT STRENGTHENS OUR HAND IN WORLD ARENA. WELL DONE.

2. WEST FALKLANDS. YOUR PROPOSAL FOR A TOKEN FORCE TO RAISE THE FLAG IS NOW IMPORTANT AND URGENT FROM POLITICAL VIEWPOINT AS PRESSURE ON PM MOUNTS FOR CEASE FIRE WHICH WOULD LEAVE US AT SEVERE

DISADVANTAGE SHOULD NEGOTIATORS SPLIT THE TWO ISLANDS TO SAVE ARG FACE. PEBBLE ISLAND OPERATION WOULD SUIT THE BILL BUT THE CHOICE IS YOURS. INDICATIONS PERSIST THAT ATTEMPTS MAY BE MADE FROM MAINLAND TO REINFORCE ENEMY BY AIR. WARM RECEPTION BY SF WOULD DISCOURAGE THIS AND PROTECT YOUR BACK DOOR. I WILL FWD INT ASSESSMENT SHORTLY

3. A FURTHER POINT IS YOUR PLAN TO MOVE 2 SG AND 1 WG BY SEA TO BLUFF COVE OVERNIGHT 5/6 JUNE. PASSAGE TIME INDICATES THAT A PROPORTION OF THE MOVE WOULD HAVE TO BE BY DAY. AIR RECCE/ATTACK, PROXIMITY OF ENEMY POSITIONS ESPECIALLY ARTILLERY REPORTED ON PORT MARRIET POINT 3367 AND SEA MINES COULD RESULT IN GUARDSMEN SWIMMING. BEFORE YOU ACT ON THIS INTENTION I WOULD LIKE TO HAVE YOUR COMMENTS. HOW ABOUT INSERTION OF THESE UNITS VIA TEAL OP EVEN SOUTH EASTERN CORNER SALVADOR WATER. QUERY

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