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RM 7/10/94(AS)

LANDING FORCE SITREP AS AT 052359Z JUN 82

Rather like observing a distant galaxy. You don't know if it's still there or not - the light from that time for 5000 years

GENERAL

1. Information in this SITREP is based on CTF 317 Land Forces SITREP as at 051700Z JUN 82, supplemented by additional information from other sources.

2. There has been no direct contact with the enemy during this period. Poor visibility has curtailed helicopter operations and severely limited further deployment of 3 Cdo Bde RM and 5 Inf Bde. Offloading of STUFT continues slowly.

OPERATIONS ASHORE

3. 3 Cdo Bde RM

- a. 3 PARA. Remains NW of Mount Longdon (GR 2676).
- b. 42 Cdo RM. Remains Mount Kent (GR 2374) area and patrolling to establish extent of minefields in Two Sisters (GR 2973) area. No information of enemy bombing of Mount Kent area has been received.
- c. 45 Cdo RM. Having diverted from its original destination, probably to achieve a better position, the Commando is now in a position at Estancia House (GR 2078).

4. 5 Inf Bde

- a. HQ 5 Inf Bde. The Headquarters is now at Darwin (GR 650582).
 - b. 2 PARA. Remains at Bluff Cove (GR 1867).
 - c. 1/7 GR. Remains Darwin
 - d. 2 SG. Remains San Carlos
 - e. 1 WG. Remains San Carlos
- } It must be assumed that previous reports of these units deploying were premature and movement by helicopter has been held up by bad weather.

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LOGISTICS, PRISONERS OF WAR AND CASUALTIES

- 5. Unloading of STUFT, currently NORDIC FERRY and ELK, continues slowly. Redeployment of some stores to Teal Inlet (GR 0087) and possibly Bluff Cove continues. Restrictions on helicopter flying will have hampered these tasks.
- 6. No report has yet been received that loading of 1400 PW, guarded by 160 RM BCRs, onto NORLAND is complete.
- 7. There have been no reported Landing Force casualties during this period. The mine casualty from 42 Cdo RM required amputation of his right foot.

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FUTURE INTENTIONS

8. No change to future intentions on the last SITREP has been reported, but it is not clear when the attack on TWO SISTERS will take place. Build up in the Mount Kent and Challenger areas is likely to be slower than originally anticipated, with 2SG and 1WG moving cross country.
9. 1/7GR are to be used to clear an enemy OP on Mount Osbourne (GR 7372).
10. 40 Cdo RM (Force Tps) may be used to clear enemy pockets on NW of East Falklands, probably on Cape Dolphin peninsular (GR 6914).



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ANNEX:

A. Land Forces Deployment Map

Distribution:

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SOG
DSC Co-ord
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Navy Ops
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Army Ops
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