

COS 15TH MEETING/82

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MINISTRY OF DEFENCE  
CHIEFS OF STAFF COMMITTEE

MINUTES of a Meeting held in Room 5301, Ministry  
of Defence, Main Building, Whitehall,  
on SUNDAY 11 APRIL 1982 at 4.30 pm

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PRESENT

Admiral of the Fleet Sir Terence Lewin,  
Chief of the Defence Staff

Admiral Sir Henry Leach,  
Chief of the Naval Staff

Lieutenant General Sir Thomas Morony,  
Representing the  
Chief of the General Staff

Air Marshal Sir David Craig,  
Representing the Chief of the Air Staff

ALSO PRESENT

Air Vice-Marshal M J Armitage,  
Representing the  
Deputy Chief of the Defence Staff  
(Intelligence)

Rear-Admiral D W Brown,  
Assistant Chief of the Defence  
Staff (Operations)

Sir Frank Cooper,  
Permanent Under Secretary

Mr J M Stewart,  
Assistant Under Secretary  
(Defence Staff)

Mr P R H Wright,  
Foreign and Commonwealth Office

SECRETARIAT

Brigadier J A C G Eyre  
Captain J E S Raymond RN  
Wing Commander A M Wills

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PART I - ITEMS DISCUSSED AT THE MEETING

- 1.(1) Operation CORPORATE

PART II - ITEMS DEALT WITH PRIOR TO THE MEETING

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Note:

1. Recorded as a Confidential Annex.

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CONFIDENTIAL ANNEX  
TO  
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OPERATION CORPORATE

ITEM 1. NUCLEAR MATTERS

1. SIR TERENCE LEWIN said that they would wish to review the revised draft paper (1) which had been prepared for their consideration. It was agreed that a number of minor amendments should be included in this revised draft and that the paper should be forwarded to the Secretary of State.

Note by the Secretary

The paper has been forwarded (2).

Annex:

- A. OPERATION CORPORATE - Forecast of Decisions or Actions Required.

Notes:

1. D/DS17/5/6 (Revised Draft) dated 11 April 1982.
2. D/DS17/5/6 dated 11 April 1982.

OPERATION CORPORATE - FORECAST OF DECISIONS OR ACTIONS REQUIRED

ITEM	ARISING FROM COS MEETING	DECISION OR ACTION REQUIRED	SPONSOR	ACTION/ DECISION BY	CONTINUED	CURRENT STATE
0009	4/82 Item 3 para 11	Availability of Chilean airfields	AFD	Ministers		FCO are investigating
0015	5/82 Item 1 para 7	Sale of Hunter aircraft to Chile	AFD	FCO		FCO have despatched signal
0022	5/82 Item 7	Delay Belize Withdrawal by 3 months	AD	Ministers		Submission forwarded 9 Apr 82
0023	6/82 Item 1	Op CORPORATE - Military Appreciation	COS	DS 11	7/82 Item 5 12/82 Item 6	To be revised
0028	7/82 Item 1	Use of Brazilian ports	ND	Ministers		FCO investigating
0031	8/82 Item 1	Argentine long term force level	COS	DCDS(I)		
0032	8/82 Item 1	Publicity for bunkering facilities	FCO	FCO Ministers		
0033	8/82 Item 5	Amphibious Operations	ACDS(Pol)	ACDS(Pol) (verbal update)	11/82 Item 1	For COS 13 Apr 82

ANNEX A TO  
 PART I TO COS 15TH MEETING/82  
 11 APRIL 1982  
 (Concluded)

ITEM	ARISING FROM COS MEETING	DECISION OR ACTION REQUIRED	SPONSOR	ACTION/ DECISION BY	CONTINUED	CURRENT STATE
0035	11/82 Item 1	Op PARAQUET	ACDS(Ops)	CINCFLEET	12/82 Item 4	For COS 13 Apr 82 (Paper will be available pm)
0037	12/82 Item 5	Argentine Appreciation	DCDS(I)	DCDS(I)		For COS 13 Apr 82
0038	14/82 Item 1	Details of Argentine tanker	DCDS(I)	DCDS(I)		
0039	14/82 Item 1	Confirmation of Argentine Naval dispositions	DCDS(I)	DCDS(I)		
0040	14/82 Item 1	Argentine CAP capability over Falklands	AFD	AFD		
0041	14/82 Item 3	Skeleton press releases for use if engagement occurs	DCPR	COS/Ministers		
0042	14/82 Item 3	No press to land at Ascension	DCPR	ND		To inform TF Commander
0043	14/82 Item	Battle Casualties	VCDS(P&L)	VCDS(P&L)		