

MO. STATEMENT AT 1300 23 MAY

Military activity on the Falkland Islands has been at a low level over the last 24 hours. Land forces have continued to consolidate their position in the San Carlos area and have met with no opposition.

Aircraft from the task force have continued to patrol. As has previously been stated last evening they attacked an Argentine patrol boat in the Choiseul Sound and set it ablaze. British aircraft also carried out a further attack on Argentine positions at Goose Green. The full extent of the damage at Goose Green is not yet known but, during the raid, several wrecked Puccara were seen.

There has been very little activity on the part of Argentine forces. Late yesterday evening two Skyhawk aircraft came within sight of British ships but did not press home their attack. We have no reports of any other attacks.