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Mr Fearns 4/12

Mr Chast nsc 512

Even allowing for Capt. Barker's habitual wishful thinking, the Chileans are clearly happy to agree that the Argentines are a belligerent lot. There may be the same scope here to work on the Chileans if when the Argentines will draw service

DUTY COMMANDER

01 FEB 1982

ROUTINE/ROUTINE 011111Z FL

FROM H.M. ENDURANCE
TO MODUR N AVY
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BRITANNIA BUENOS AIRES
WPA SANTIAGO

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BY DAG 231955Z JAN 82

1. MY PRESENT MOST CORDIAL AND SUCCESSFUL VISIT

TO PUNTA ARENAS HAS REVEALED THE FOLLOWING POINTS:

A. CHILIAN NAVY WERE OPENLY BELLIGERENT TO THE VISIT ACCEPTABLE

ON 100% BASIS

B. FREQUENT CONFIRMATION BY CHILIAN NAVY OF ARGENTINE BELLIGERENT

AND HOSTILE ATTITUDE TOWARDS VERACITY ISSUES REGARDS

THE FALKLAND ISLANDS

C. ARTICLE(S) IN CHILIAN PAPER ABOUT ARGENTINE INTENTION TO

1. VADA FALKLAND ISLANDS

D. MANY SUGGESTIONS FOR FUTURE COOPERATION BETWEEN NAVIES IE USE

OF PORT AND AID FACILITIES AT PUNTA ARENAS

E. IF ROYAL NAVY IS INVOLVED IN ANY FUTURE ANTARCTIC OPERATIONS

CHILIAN VISH TO HAVE APPLICATION FOR SHORT TERM OFFICER

EXCHANGES PLUS OTHER COOPERATIVE

F. IN ANY FUTURE CONFLICT BETWEEN GREAT BRITAIN AND CHILE IN WHAT BOTH

COUNTRIES CONSIDERED TERRA LEE PUEBLO I BELIEVE CHILEAN

NAVY AND MARINES WOULD ACQUIT THEMSELVES WELL DESPITE NUMERICAL

INFERIORITY. BOTH SERVICES WERE WELL DISCIPLINED VERY WELL MOTIVATED

AND IN CASE MARINES WERE EQUIPPED

2. AGAIN NONE OF THIS INFORMATION MAY BE OF LITTLE CONSEQUENCE

BUT FOLLOWING BY DAG 231955Z JAN 82 MAY PROVIDE USEFUL BACKGROUND

INFORMATION FOR SOVEREIGNTY TALKS AND FUTURE LOGISTIC SUPPORT

FALKLAND ISLANDS

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