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E. O. 12065: RDS-1 5/6/12 (STREATOR, E. J.) OR-M  
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SUBJECT: FALKLANDS CONFLICT: MILITARY SUPPORT

1. S - ENTIRE TEXT.
2. DAO HAS BEGAN RECEIVING SPECIFIC BRITISH REQUESTS FOR MILITARY SUPPORT AND WE NEED GUIDANCE BY OOB MAY 7, IF U. S. IS TO MEET THESE REQUESTS.
3. RAF HAS ASKED FOR THE LOAN OF 15 MJU-7 INFRA-RED FLARES, WHICH THE THIRD AIR FORCE AT RAF MILDENHALL COULD MAKE AVAILABLE. THE FLARES WOULD BE USED IN-COUNTRY FOR FLIGHT TESTING AN RAF AIRCRAFT MODIFICATION FOR EVENTUAL USE IN THE SOUTH ATLANTIC. THE RAF HOPES TO CONDUCT THE UK FLIGHT TESTS ON SATURDAY, MAY 8.
4. A BRITISH CONTRACTOR HAS ASKED U. S. COMMANDER AT BURTONWOOD ARMY DEPOT TO LOAN HIS FIRM "3 TO 4 SHIPWRIGHTS" TO ASSIST IN RETROFIT ACTIVITIES AT THE PORTSMOUTH DOCK-YARD THIS WEEKEND. THE SHIPWRIGHTS ARE APPARENTLY BRITISH CITIZENS, BUT THEY WORK FOR THE USG AND WOULD NEED SOME  
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FORM OF ADMINISTRATIVE LEAVE TO PERFORM THE TASKS. THE BRITISH CONTRACTOR INDICATED THAT THE SHIPS WILL BE DESTINED FOR THE SOUTH ATLANTIC.

5. PLEASE PROVIDE GUIDANCE ON THESE TWO SPECIFIC REQUESTS ALONG WITH GENERAL GUIDANCE TO COVER WHAT COULD BE A SERIES OF SIMILAR REQUESTS. STREATOR

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