MEMORANDUM

1. You are to assemble in Room 1218 of the Northwood Joint Headquarters at 09:00 on Thursday 2 October 1986 as a Board of Inquiry, whereof xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx is to be the President, and hold a full and careful investigation into the circumstances attending the loss of an Army Air Corps Gazelle helicopter over the Falkland Islands on 6 June 1982. In the course of your inquiry you are to address in particular any actions taken on board HM Ships in the vicinity and to ascertain why, if it be the case, the movements of a friendly aircraft were not known on such ships.

2. You are to call before you such witnesses as are necessary to enable you to form a correct conclusion. Recommendations should be put forward, if appropriate, which might prevent similar occurrences in the future whether on account of failure of personnel or material.

3. The inquiry is to be conducted in accordance with the directions contained in QRRN Chapter 23 and Appendix 38, and FLAGO Article 1619.

4. The report of the Board is to be accompanied by the minutes of evidence taken, and is to contain an expression of opinion on the merits of the case as disclosed by the evidence, including a statement of the causes of the occurrence.

5. The questions in the minutes are to be numbered consecutively, and the name and rank or rating of each witness are to appear at the head of each page of his evidence.

6. The report and minutes are each to be signed by the members of the Board, and are to be in triplicate.

7. The original report is available for study at this Headquarters and is to be returned with the report of the Board, together with this memorandum.

8. The Fleet Legal and Administrative Officer, xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxRoyal Navy, (Northwood Ext 7157) will act as liaison officer and has been directed to afford the Board all the necessary facilities.

9. Recording and transcription facilities will be provided by the Staff of the Commander-in-Chief Fleet.

[Signature]
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