70 WHITEHALL, LONDON SW1A 2AS 01-233 8319 From the Secretary of the Cabinet and Head of the Home Civil Service Sir Robert Armstrong GCB CVO 15 August 1986 Ref. A086/2373 Dear John. Down South: A Naval History of the Falkland Campaign I have shown your letter of 5 August (ISPB/L86/643: 9/31/F) to Sir Robert Armstrong. It was agreed by the Prime Minister and other Ministers in October 1984 that David Brown's book should proceed to publication, subject to clearance of the text for both security and political sensitivities. Sir Robert notes that, following discussions between David Brown and the Minister of Defence and agreement between them on the amendments to be made, the Defence Secretary has agreed that clearance should be given to proceed to publication. Sir Robert trusts that the agreed amendments will have met security and political sensitivities, but as he has seen neither the text nor the amendments he can offer no comment as to that. I am sending copies of this letter to Nigel Wicks and Sherard Cowper-Coles. Carl Bowden (C A Bowdery) Assistant Private Secretary J S Pitt-Brooke Esq Ministry of Defence

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