

Extract from DCDS(EC)/6/2 IRAQ: OP TELIC UORs Stirrup to Bach dated 24 January 2003

“The compression of timescales for the Land Component, coupled with the late addition of 16 AA Bde and the increases in the size of the Amphibious Task Group to a brigade (-), has meant that a number of UORs will not be delivered in full prior to the potential start date for operations.”

“None of the shortfalls is deemed to be a ‘showstopper’ and solutions for mitigating the potential operational risks involved are being developed by PJHQ and Front Line Commands.”