

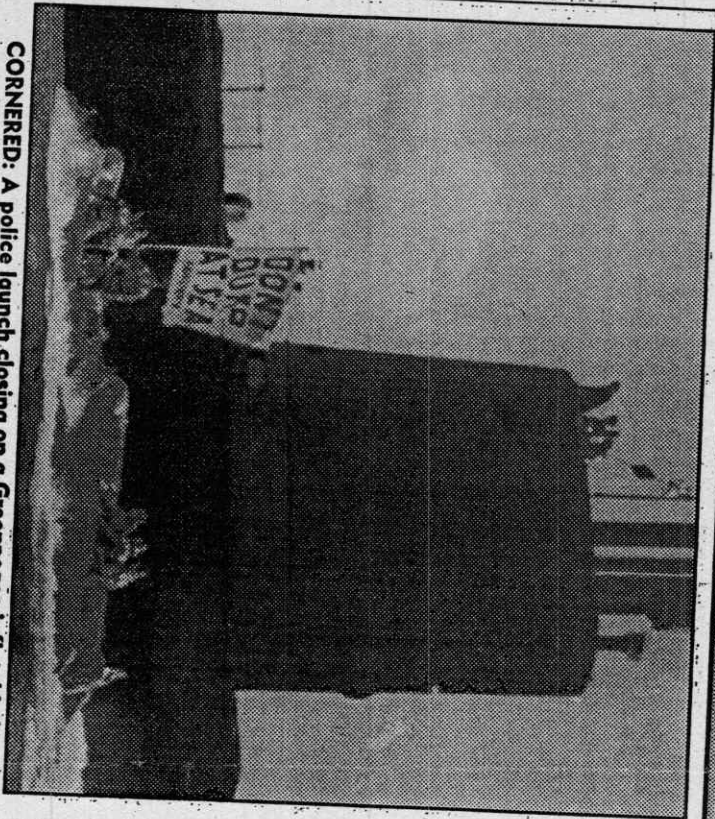
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MINISTRY BOATS SWEEP ON CAMPAIGNERS' NUCLEAR WASTE PROTEST

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CORNERED: A police launch closing on a Greenpeace inflatable boat

# Greens held in Belgrano sub ambush

GREEN campaigners were arrested yesterday after ambushing a nuclear submarine.

HMS Conqueror, which sank the Argentine cruiser Belgrano in 1982, was arriving at Plymouth to be decommissioned. Sixteen Greenpeace supporters waved banners

and steered across the sub's bow in three small boats.

They were protesting at health risks to workers from nuclear waste.

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HMS Sennel, which had escorted Conqueror from Faslane base in Scotland, alerted Navy chiefs on shore.

Two of the marine peace force vessels were surrounded by high-speed Ministry of Defence launches. The

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Protesters were arrested by MOD police but were released without charges.

A Greenpeace spokeswoman said that the main aim of the protest was to get assurances from the Government that radioactive hulls would not be dumped at sea.

Protests about scrapping nuclear waste have been growing in Plymouth.

Kevin Owen, leader of the local campaign group, said: 'We don't want to see Plymouth turned into a graveyard for decommissioned nuclear submarines.'

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