

C.S.

(Land)

1922

No. 708/22

Officer in Charge
Naval Depot

SUBJECT.

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7th October

Previous Paper.

ADMIRALTY RIFLE RANGE

Enquiry as to possibility of
Government purchasing:

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MINUTES.

Letter from Mr. Neave of 4th October 1922 ----- Encl ①

See 17/10/22

*Y.S.
Submitted*

2. Mr. Neave might be informed that as the land was compulsorily acquired from the present lessees in 1902 ^{for public purposes} it is suggested that the lessees should have first option of securing the freehold if it is no longer required for the purpose for which it was obtained?

3. The history of the land is given in ¹⁰ ~~leaf~~ 236 attached. It is interesting to note that the ^{3.7} Company paid in all about £640 for the land between 1851 and 1873.

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*W.C.S.
Then reply as proposed in para 2. J.R.*

Subsequent Paper.

Letter to Mr. Neave of 17th Oct. 1922 — Encl.

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7th October, 1922.

No: 520/22.

Sir,

With reference to conversations regarding the Admiralty Rifle Range land held under Colonial Government Grant dated 27th May, 1904., I shall be glad if you will inform me as to whether, in the event of the Admiralty being willing to dispose of the land in question, the Colonial Government would desire to be considered as a possible purchaser.

The land included under the above mentioned grant consists of lots Nos: 27 to 39 inclusive and was purchased in the first instance for the Admiralty by the Colonial Government from Messrs The Falkland Islands Co; the cost, £1000., being met by Naval Funds. It is at present leased to the Falkland Islands Co: on 21 years lease as from 27th May, 1904.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "W. J. Evans".

Officer in Charge of Works.

The Honourable

The Colonial Secretary,

STANLEY.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

708/22

17th October,

22.

Sir,

With reference to your letter No. 520/22 of the 7th of October, on the subject of the purchase by this Government from the Admiralty of land lots Nos. 27-39 inclusive, I am directed by the Governor to inform you that, as the land in question was compulsorily acquired from the present lessees in 1902 for public purposes, His Excellency suggests that the lessees be offered the first option of securing the freehold, if the land is no longer required for the purpose for which it was obtained.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

H. Henniker-Heaton

Colonial Secretary.

A. A. P. Neave, Esq.,
Officer in Charge of Naval Works,
Stanley.