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SUBJECT:

Visit of H.M. Ships.

commencing with p. 205.

Number & Year.

CONNECTED FILES.

DECODE.

TELEGRAM RECEIVED

From SECRETARY OF STATE to GOVERNOR.

Despatched : 10.3.52. Time : 1820 Received : 11.3.52. Time : 1000.

No Copy (G.H?)

FIDEP No. 26 **SECRET.**
1951, paragraph 1.

My tel 61 FIDEP

FIDS 1/154

Commander in Chief America and West Indies
has been instructed by Admiralty to maintain a
Frigate for the present in general area Falkland
Islands.

As a result I understand he intends to
releive "Burghead Bay" with "Veryan Bay" at
Port Stanley about April 12th.

Cypher "E": MLO.

S/F Could you please show to
H.E. & attach reference in route.

18/3

H.C.S.

H.E. has seen original held in FIDS 1/182

H.C.S.
18/3.

UNCLASSIFIED MESSAGE

S1320d

restric ed.

BURGHEAD ABY (R) C. IN C. A.W.I.

ADMIRALTY.

C. IN C. A.W.I.'s 64/2760/5 OF 14TH FEBRUARY NOT TO BURGHEAD BAY.

GOV RNOR OF FALKLAND ISLES HAS BEEN ASKED TO NEGOTIATE STORAGE OF
ALL YOUR/COLD WEATHER CLOTHING. YOU SHOULD ACCORDINGLY MAKE ARRANGEMENTS
SERVICABLE

THROUGH THE GOVERNOR IF PRACTICABLE. CLOTHING TO BE PACKED SUITABLY
BEFORE HANDING OVER.

041515 'Z.

4/5/52

AC
P/A on file,
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UNCLASSIFIED MESSAGE

207
S1320d

RESTRICTED.

BURGHEAD BAY (R) VERYAN BAY R.N.O. BERMUDA FROM...C. IN C. A.W.I.

206
A.M. 041515'Z NOT TO VERYAN BAY AND A.W.I.O. 1957 PARA 7 AND IN VIEW
OF MY 061413 NOT TO R.N.O. BERMUDA, COLD WEATHER CLOTHING IS TO BE
TRANSFERRED TO VERYAN BAY.

121509.

15/3/52.

UNCLASSIFIED MESSAGE

SI320d

RESTRICTED.

C. IN C. A.E.I.

BURGHEAD BAY.

207 YOUR 121509. NO FACILITIES EXIST IN PORT STANLEY FOR CLEANING OF COLD WEATHER CLOTHING ALTHOUGH BLANKETS CAN BE WASHED AT FIVE SHILLINGS EACH.

2/.. INTEND TO TRANSFER CLOTHING OTHER THAN BLANKETS IN ITS PRESENT STATE OBSERVING THAT IT HAS BEEN LITTLE USED AND TO ARRANGE FOR WASHING OF BLANKETS LOCALLY.

3/.. SUGGEST FUTURE TRANSFERS OF COLD WEATHER CLOTHING SHOULD BE MADE AT MONTIVIDEO WHERE CONTRACT CLEANING CAN BE ARRANGED PROVIDED STORAGE SPACE CAN BE FOUND THERE.

131430.

TOP SECRET

208a

Noted.

How far over Capt. Jones

*able to cope with an emergency
requests? What do we need from
Cdr. Horncastle? He will do' Phosphate for*

in Dec. 1951

A.W.I.No.109/0415.

Commander R. Horncastle, Royal Navy.

(Copies to:-

The Secretary of the Admiralty.

His Excellency.

The Governor and Commander-in-Chief,

Falkland Islands.

The Naval Attache,

Buenos Aires.)

Office of the Commander-in-Chief,
America and West Indies Station,
H.M.S. SHEFFIELD.

12th March, 1952.

SAILING ORDERS - H.M.S. VERYAN BAY.

Being in all respects, ready for sea, H.M.S. VERYAN BAY under your command is to proceed at 08.15 on Friday, 14th March to Port Stanley, Falkland Islands.

Route.

2. Direct as safe navigation permits, calling ~~at~~ at Pointe a Pierre and Montevideo for fuel.

Speed.

3. Normally you should proceed at economical speed.

Falkland Islands.

4. On arrival at Port Stanley you are to relieve H.M.S. BURGHEAD BAY and place yourself at the disposal of His Excellency, the Governor of the Falkland Islands.

Further Movements.

5. You are to signal to me (repeated Admiralty) your intended movements and any deviations therefrom in addition to the signal required by A.W.I.O.2605. While you are at the disposal of His Excellency the Governor these signals are to be classified 'Restricted' or higher as requisite.

Fuel.

6. (a) Furnace Fuel. All stocks should be tested and compared with Admiralty specifications before being embarked. If any appreciable differences are noted the oil should be kept separate.
- (b) Lubricating Oil. Except for Bermuda there are practically no stocks of Admiralty Compound oil on the station, but Shell can produce a very good alternative called Nautilus 72 which can be mixed, and has already been used and approved of by this class. In view of the high lubricating oil consumption every convenient opportunity should be taken of topping up.

/Press Releases....

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*46 Submitted
18/4*

TOP SECRET

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Press Releases.

7. If security permits and if the Governor agrees, anything of news value may be signalled to Chief of Naval Information (R) Director of Naval Intelligence and me without delay.

Communications.

8. (a) Guard Broadcast Love until crossing the equator when watch should be shifted to Broadcast SA. Your intended time of shifting watch to Broadcast SA is to be reported 24 hours previously to Admiralty, C-in-C, America and West Indies, C-in-C, South Atlantic, CANFLAGLANT, CANAFRED and B.N.S. Washington.
- (b) Should Broadcast Love become unreadable at the Southern Extremity of Area Easy you are to act in accordance with A.F.O.S.1/52 Section WA paragraph 3 (b).
- (c) Maintain constant L/S watch on 500 Kc/s.
- (d) One edition of a Six-Way One-Time Pad Set (S.P.02392) is held by H.M.S. BURGHEAD SAY. It is to be obtained from her during your turn over period.

Security.

9. At Pointe a Pierre the presence of the Mobile Landing Party on board is to be explained as "borne for Landing exercises in the Caribbean islands". The ship's true destination is not to be revealed.

Present Situation.

10. Paragraph 2 (c) of Admiralty Message dated 261313 January states that "we cannot exclude the possibility that the Argentines might attempt some minor action, possibly against an uninhabited island, of a sort which they think would not lead to war. Such an operation could be carried out at any time of the year". The message also stated that "the Argentines are unlikely to attempt any form of permanent occupation of the Falkland Islands unless they come to the conclusion that His Majesty's Government would not or could not defend the Colony".

Policy.

11. The Governor of the Falkland Islands will inform you as to the present Government policy on official protests to be issued to any foreign intruders. When drafting protests you are to bear in mind that our complaint is against unnotified visits by foreign warships to our ports and not to their mere passage through territorial waters to which, provided it is innocent, there is no objection in International Law.

12. If a situation arises whereby you have to retaliate with force in the absence of the Governor, you must use your own discretion and will, of course, have my support. In any case of doubt or difficulty you should refer to me if time allows.

for VICE-ADMIRAL.
Absent on Duty.

TOP SECRET

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etablg = Governor F1

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19/3

To HMS Buryhead Bay info Governor Falkland
and islands request signal Receipt
if air bags numbers MFM 251/1 349/1
599/1 698/1 814/1 despatched
via Governor's bags during January
and February
O = 191021Z admiralty.

(MFM)(251/1)

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20/3

Passed to you for information.

UNCLASSIFIED MESSAGE

~~208~~
210
S1320d

Routine

To: Admiralty.

From: Burghead Bay.

208 Your 191027z. Air Bag No's A 250/1

A 251/1

A 349/1

Schedule S.D. 8676 received.

= 201300Z

B'cast S.A.

P.L.

TOD.In Transit.

L/Sig

20.3.52

MA.
21/3

211
Telegrams for despatch today pl.

24.3.52.

CAMERON, PORT SAN CARLOS

Burghead Bay arriving 25th

Colonial Secretary.

POLE-EVANS PORTHOWARD

Burghead Bay arriving 26th bringing Mrs. Szeley stop Husband informed.

Col. Sec.

BONNER SAN CARLOS

Burghead Bay arriving 27th

Col. Sec.

GILRUTH DARWIN

Burghead Bay arriving Goose Green 31st

Col. Sec.

SZELEY FOX BAY

Your wife arriving Port Howard on Burghead Bay 26th

Col. Sec.

Above tels despatched 24/3/52

Pa.
24/3

PROPOSED PROGRAMME FOR H.M.S. BURGHEND BAY.

25th March, 1952 to 2nd April, 1952.

21-
App² Inc 24/11

0730 Tuesday 25th - Sail STANLEY. (Passengers to embark at 0845)
PM Tuesday 25th - Arrive PORT SAN CARLOS.
AM Wednesday 26th - Sail PORT SAN CARLOS.
AM Wednesday 26th - Arrive PORT HOWARD.
AM Thursday 27th - Sail PORT HOWARD.
AM Thursday 27th - Arrive SAN CARLOS.
AM Friday 28th - Sail SAN CARLOS.
AM Friday 28th - Arrive PORT SAN CARLOS.
1800 Friday 28th - Sail PORT SAN CARLOS.
0600 Saturday 29th - Arrive STANLEY.
0900 Monday 31st - Sail STANLEY.
1500 Monday 31st - Arrive GOOSE GREEN.
0900 Wednesday 2nd - Sail GOOSE GREEN.
1500 Wednesday 2nd - Arrive STANLEY.

There is a tel. for this

W. H. P. H.

325/11

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GOVERNMENT TELEGRAPH SERVICE.

FALKLAND ISLANDS AND DEPENDENCIES.

SENT.

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26.3.52.

To

CAPTAIN BURNHEAD BAY

HMVS

GENTLEMAN REQUESTS YOU CANCEL PROPOSED VISIT TO GOOSE GREEN ON 31st
AS MANAGER DEEPLY REGRETED INABILITY TO BE IN YOU OWING FULL
PREOCCUPATION LOADING ON THE LA BARD.

COLONIAL SECRETARY

CONFIDENTARY COPY.

Time

PHONE TO T.C. 1600/25TH.

Pa. 26.3.

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TELEGRAM.

214

From Captain, H.M.S. Burghead Bay.

To The Colonial Secretary

Despatched : 27th March, 19 52 *Time :* 1732Z

Received : 28th March, 19 52 *Time :* 0845.

Will cancel visit as requested.

CAPTAIN.

P/A.
(Intld)C.C.

P/L.
SS

Burghhead bay 8 1810
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215.

Governor Bay —

~~Est~~ Estimated time arrival
Port Stanley 0715

Capt Bourn

forced to 36
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No 8.

TELEGRAM.

218

From H.M.Consul, Punta Arenas, Chile.

To The Colonial Secretary.

Despatched : 5th April, 19 52 *Time :* 1230

Received : 7th April, 19 52 *Time :* 0845

Following for Officer Commanding H.M.S.Burghead Bay begins.

Will you please inform me date and hour arrival and
departure.

BRITAIN.

H.H. has seen.

Type & send copy under C.S. to Off.Com."B.B."
this morning pl.

(Intld)J.B.

7.4.

copy sent 0930 7/4/52.

GTC
SS

SS.
7/4



219

From .. THE COMMANDING OFFICER,
H.M.S. BURGHEAD BAY.

Date .. 7th April, 1952.

To .. THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,
PORT STANLEY.

220 I should be grateful if the
attached reply could be transmitted to
H.M. Consul, Punta Arenas.

J.A. Ivers.
CAPTAIN, R.N.

Have you a simple code by which
it can be transmitted. If not it will
have to go in Plain Language.

Offia

H.A. has seen.

Despatch G.T.C. Pl.

7.4.

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TELEGRAM.

220

From The Colonial Secretary.

To H.M.Consul, Punta Arenas, Chile.

Despatched : 7th April, 19 52 Time : 1430
Received : 19 .. Time :

218 Your telegram 5th April. Following from Commanding Officer,
H.M.S.Burghead Bay begins.

Letter with full programme is held by Master of Fitzroy.

2. Estimated time of arrival Punta Arenas 1400 April
16th and departure at 1100 on 21st April. Ends.

COLONIAL SECRETARY

GTC
SS

Pa.
C.
7/4

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Copy in 0625/III

TELEGRAM.

221

From H. E. the Governor.

To The Governor's Deputy.

Despatched :	19	Time :
Received :	12th April,	19 52
	13th April,	52
		Time : 2200
		0845

[Your telegram regarding Secretary of State's telegram No 53.
I agree.] Please welcome Commander Horncastle on my behalf.

GOVERNOR.

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Deer with in 0109/5.
15/4

GTC-H.C.S.
Typed-S.S.

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GOVERNMENT TELEGRAPH SERVICE
FALKLAND ISLANDS AND DEPENDENCIES.
SENT.

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To				

GOVERNOR JOHN SISCOE.

DEPA/C

H.M.S. BURGHEAD BAY LEFT FOR PUERTA ARENAS 1330 HOURS 14TH APRIL
STOP REGRET INFORM YOU LIEUTENANT KAVANAGH WHO WAS LEFT BEHIND IN
HOSPITAL AFTER RUGBY ACCIDENT DIED LAST NIGHT.

GOVERNOR'S DEPUTY.

CONFIRMATORY COPY. PHONED TO W/T STATION 0915 15/4.

Time

Pg. 2
15/4

223

PRIORITY. UNCLASSIFIED.

FROM VERNAN BAY

TO ADMIRALTY INFO CINC A.W.I. BURGHEAD BAY.

MY 150430Z.

SUBJECT TO HIS BROTHER HAVING NO OBJECTION, INTEND TO BURY
THE LATE LIEUTENANT J.P. KAVANAGH AT SEA ON FRIDAY 18th APRIL AS THERE IS
NO ROMAN CATHOLIC MINISTER IN THE BALKLARD ISLANDS.

(2) SHORE AUTHORITIES CONCUR.

(3) HIS FRIENDS AT FORT STANLEY WILL ATTEND.

(4) PLEASE PASS TO NEXT OF KIN, LIEUT CDR CHARLES KAVANAGH, 12 GRANGE AVENUE,
WOODFORD GREEN, ESSEX.

= 15 1839Z APRIL

MA

REF...150430..REGRET TO REPORT DEATH OF LT KAVANAGH.

DIST. C 1(c) 2 3 4 5(a) 6

COPY TO COLONIAL SEC BY HAND FOR INFORMATION.

W/T

P/L

TOD I/T

EAG

15/4

224

Chief Constable's Office.
Port Stanley.
15 April 1952.

To:- The Officer Administering The Government.

Sir,

ACCIDENTAL DEATH.

I respectfully report with reference to the above subject that a fatal accident occurred on the rugby field at Port Stanley, on Sunday the 13th. April 1952, during a rugby match between a Stanley XV and a team from H.M.S. Burghead Bay, and causing the death of Lieutenant JAMES PATRICK KAVANAGH. R.N. of H.M.S. Burghead Bay.

As far as can be ascertained the accident happened immediately after the breaking up of a scrum, but no definite facts can be obtained, apart from the fact that the deceased received an head injury from which he subsequently died at the K.E.M. Hospital at 11.45 p.m. on Monday the 14th. instant.

Doctor Slessor, Senior Medical Officer, was in attendance from the time that the deceased was admitted until his death and is issuing a death certificate.

Cause of death:- Fractured skull, consistent with having received a heavy blow.

No inquest or post-mortem required.

Commanding Officer H.M.S. Vervan Bay informed and requested to inform Commanding Officer H.M.S. Burghead Bay, also next of kin of the deceased.

Coroner informed.

Seen Q^{NAN.}
16/4

I am Sir,
Your obedient Servant,
X.E.P. Nunn
Chief Constable.

DECODE.

TELEGRAM.

225

From H.E. the Governor.

To The Governor's Deputy.

Despatched : 15th April, 19 52 *Time :* 1600

Received : 16th April, 19 52 *Time :* 0845

MC 17/4. Deeply regret hear news Kavanagh.

2. Assume F.I.D.F. will wish take part in funeral ceremony.

3. Please instruct Clarke to send wreath from me.

GOVERNOR.

DECODE.

TELEGRAM.

226

From British Consul, Punta Arenas.

To The Colonial Secretary

Despatched : 15th April, 19 52 *Time :* 1800

Received : 16th April, 19 52 *Time :* 1115

Immediate following for frigate. Re your letter 31st March arrangements made come alongside. National salute must be fired. Position front of port just before pilot launch comes alongside. Following programme arranged Wednesday official calls 1530 return call 1700 hours. Cocktails Officers British Club 19 to 21, followed by private dinners. You can use W/T. All other matters being attended to.

BRITISH CONSUL.

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TELEGRAM.

To: ~~xxxx~~ Captain "Burghead Bay" (At Sea)

From: ~~XX~~ The Governor's Deputy.

Despatched : 16th April, 19 52 Time : 1120

Received : 19 .. Time :

Following received from British Consul, Punta Arenas at 1115 today. Begins.

Re your letter 31st March arrangements made come alongside. National salute must be fired. Position front of port just before pilot launch comes alongside. Following programme arranged Wednesday official calls 1530 return call 1700 hours. Cocktail Officers British Club 19 - 21, followed by private dinners. You can use W/T. All other matters being attended to. Ends.

GOVERNOR'S DEPUTY.

Phoned to Naval Signals for onward transmission.
(Intld) J.B.

1120/16th.

P/L
SS

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16.4.52.

To

GOVERNOR JOHN BISCOE

DEPA/C

225 YOUR MC 17/4. KAVANAGH'S FUNERAL FIXED FOR FRIDAY STOP SITUATION COMPLICATED AS HE WAS CATHOLIC AND NO PRIEST AVAILABLE HERE STOP WISHES OF NEXT OF KIN REGARDING BURIAL AT SEA OR ASHORE AWAITED BUT I THINK IT WILL BE AT SEA STOP NEWPARA 2 HAVE MADE ARRANGEMENTS FOR WREATHS AND OFFICIAL REPRESENTATION.

GOVERNOR'S DEPUTY.

COMPLIMENTARY COPY.

PHONED TO T.O. 1100/16th.

Time

SS

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To

GOVERNOR JOHN BISCOE

DEPA/C

KAVANAGH'S FUNERAL IS AT SEA TO-MORROW FRIDAY STOP SHORE BOATS
LEAVING AT 0900 HOURS STOP GLAD TO KNOW IF YOU WISH TO ATTEND.

GOVERNOR'S DEPUTY

CONFIRMATORY COPY.

Phoned to W/T Station 0915/17th.

Time

SS

230

BROADCAST NOTICE.

The Colonial Secretary's Office,
Stanley, Falkland Islands.

17th April, 1952.

The funeral of the late Lieutenant J. P. Kavanagh will take place
at sea to-morrow morning, Friday.

Floral tributes should be delivered to the Government Jetty by
8.50 a.m.

S.P.T.

Please have above broadcast this afternoon, if possible, and
about twice this evening.

W.H. for C.S. 17.4.52

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TELEGRAM.

231

From H.E. the Governor, "John Biscoe"

To The Governor's Deputy.

Despatched : 17th April, 19 52 Time : 1400
Received : 17th April, 19 52 Time : 1405.

MC 19/4. Kavanagh's funeral. I should ^{be} represented by
A.D.C.

GOVERNOR.

ADL. attended accp., *la*
Q

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TELEGRAM.

232

From The Colonial Secretary

To The Captain, H.M.S. Verran Bay.

Despatched : 21st April, 19 52 Time : 1450

Received : 19.. Time :

Grateful you carry two male hospital cases from Hill Cove to Stanley. Manager, Mr. Harding, should be contacted regarding collection.

COLONIAL SECRETARY

Phoned to Naval Signals 1450/21st.
(Intld) J.B.

P/L.
SS

233

FROM VERNAN BAY

TO COLONIAL SECRETARY INFO Q.H.M.

U/C ROUTINE.

INTEND FOLLOWING PROGRAMME COMMENCING TOMORROW TUESDAY.

ALL TIMES LOCAL AND APPROXIMATE. READ IN 3 COLUMNS:-

<u>ARRIVE.</u>	<u>PLACE</u>	<u>DEPART.</u>
-----	PORT STANLEY	0800/22
1700/22	PORT BGMONT	0800/23
1100/23	HILL COVE	1400/23
1600/23	WEST POINT I.	0800/24
1200/24	JASON Is OR NEW I.	1500/24
0800/25	PORT SAN CARLOS	1600/25
0800/26	PORT STANLEY	-----

= 21 1645Z APRIL.

HAND

P/L

TOD I/T

EAG

21/24

Noti. I have signalled SMO to have his passengers
 on Public Jolly before 0730 tomorrow.
 2.10. H. chr.

234

~~Yes~~

Itinerary is being breast over R/T
to Camp this morning, Pl.

~~Q~~
22/4

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22.11.52.

To

MANAGER PORT SAN CARLOS.

10A/C

WARSHIP HOPES CALL ON YOU FROM 0500 TO 1600 HOURS 25th.

COLONIAL SECRETARY

Time

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FALKLAND ISLANDS AND DEPENDENCIES.

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22.4.52.

To

MANAGER H.M. ISLAND.

HCA/C

WARSHIP MAY CALL ON YOU FROM 1200 HOURS TO 1500 HOURS 24TH.

COLONIAL SECRETARY

Time

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22.4.52.

To

MANAGER WEST POINT ISLAND.

HQA/G

WARSHIP REPORTS CALL ON YOU FROM 1600 HOURS 23RD TO 0800 HOURS
24TH.

COLONIAL SECRETARY

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22.4.52.

To

MANAGER HULL COVE.

HOA/C

WARSHIP CALLING ON YOU FROM 1100 TO 1400 HOURS 23RD AND HOPES
LIFT TWO HOSPITAL CASES.

COLONIAL SECRETARY

Time

[Handwritten signature]
20.4

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SAILING ORDERS
HMS "VERVAN BAY"

CONFIDENTIAL

Cdr. Honecastle,

Being in all respects ready for sea you will leave Port Stanley at 0915 hours local time on 5th May 1952 with the following passengers on board :-

Mr. A. Mercer, Supt. Posts & Telegraphs Dept.
Mr. L. Gleadell, Government Auditor.

2. You will proceed direct to Grytviiken, South Georgia, at best convenient speed where I wish to remain for two or three days. Circumstances permitting I will then visit Leath Harbour and Tonsberg but this decision must be left until later.

3. You should return to Port Stanley not later than 14th May.

4. Unless there is any Admiralty objection I shall be obliged if you will report your position daily to the Colonial Secretary and submit weather reports to the Meteorological Office at Port Stanley at 1200, 1800 and midnight GMT.

ACP
X/ does not appear to
have been done? P2
check with P2/S.
10/5

Governor and Commander-in-Chief.

Government House,
Falkland Islands.

U.S.
I spoke to Miss Onions -
position was not reported to
F.I.D.S. either pl. Q
10/5.

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TELEGRAM.

240

From The Governor's Deputy.

To The Admin. Officer, South Georgia.

Despatched : 10th May, 1952 *Time :* 1200

Received : 19.. *Time :*

No 80. For Governor begins.

Grateful if H.M.S. VERYAN BAY could report position
daily if no Admiralty objections. Ends.

GOVERNOR'S DEPUTY

13/5

~~This is another rel.~~ ?
13/5

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SS

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TELEGRAM.

241

From The Captain, H.M.S. Veryan Bay.

To The Governor's Deputy.

Despatched : 12th May, 19 52 *Time :* 2200

Received : 13th May, 19 52 *Time :* 0845

E.T.A. Port Stanley 1130Q tomorrow Tuesday. Please
send boat for Governor on arrival as mine is damaged.

CAPTAIN.

(Intld)C.C.

P/L.
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TELEGRAM.

242

From H.E.the Governor, H.M.S.Veryan Bay.

To The Governor's Deputy.

Despatched : 12th May, 19 52 *Time :* 2205

Received : 13th May, 19 52 *Time :* 0845

MC/7. Instruct Harbour Master have slipway ready
take VERYAN BAY'S motor cutter tomorrow.

GOVERNOR.

(Intld)C.C.

P/L.
SS

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243

TELEGRAM.

From Ambassador, Montevideo.

To H.E. the Governor, Stanley

Despatched : 19th May, 19 52 *Time :* 1225

Received : 20th May, 19 52 *Time :* 0845

For VERYAN BAY. No sausage, steak and kidney, stewed
steak available Chandlers can supply meat and
vegetable rations Irish stew, pork and beans, meat balls
in gravy. FITZROY sails 21st.

AMBASSADOR

See 244

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244

TELEGRAM.

From The Colonial Secretary

To The Captain H.M.S. Veryan Bay.

Despatched : 20th May, 19 52 *Time :* 0905

Received : 19 .. *Time :*

Following for you from Ambassador Montevideo begins.

No sausage, steak and kidney, stewed steak available
Chandlers can supply meat and vegetable rations, Irish
stew, pork and beans, meat balls in gravy. FITZROY
sails 21st.

COLONIAL SECRETARY

Routine at 10.30(local time) this morning with Montevideo
Phoned to Naval Signals 0905/20th.
(Intld)J.B.
20/5

P/L.
SS

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TELEGRAM.

245

From The Captain, H.M.S. Vervan Bay.

To The Colonial Secretary

Despatched : 20th May , 19 52 *Time :* 1430
Received : 19 .. *Time :*

For Ambassador Montevideo.

Thankyou for your message, but regret items suggested cannot be accepted as naval victualling stores except in emergency.

201150

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P/L.
SS

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FALKLAND ISLANDS AND DEPENDENCIES.

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20.5.52

To

PRODFORM MONTEVIDEO

HOA/C

FROM VERNAN BAY BEGINS STOP THANKYOU FOR YOUR MESSAGE BUT REGRET
ITEMS SUGGESTED CANNOT BE ACCEPTED AS NAVAL VICTUALLING STORES
EXCEPT IN EMERGENCY STOP ENDS.

COLONIAL SECRETARY

Time

246

2.2 PM.
as sent R.
8
9/6

247

FROM CINC A.W.I.

TO VERNAN BAY

U/C ROUTINE.

YOUR 231445Z.

REPORT DATE YOU INTEND TO LEAVE PORT STANLEY
AND PROBABLE DATE OF ARRIVAL PUENIA ARTHAS.

= 27 1011Z MAY

REF....CONFIDENTIAL.

SA

P/L

TOR 2319Z

EAG

27/5

Q

Reply at 248

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FROM VERNAN BAY

TO CINC A.W.I.

RESTRICTED ROUTINE.

247

YOUR 271011.

INTEND TO LEAVE PORT STANLEY A.M. SUNDAY 8th JUNE
ARRIVING PUNTA ARENAS P.M. WEDNESDAY 11th JUNE.

= 28 1410Z MAY

(COPY TO COLONIAL SECRETARY).

REF 271011.....REPORT INTENDED DATE LEAVE STANLEY AND ARRIVE PUNTA ARENAS

W/T

CUPHER

TOD I/T

EAG

28/5

CATEGORY "A"

RESTRICTED

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FROM VERTAN BAY

TO BRITISH CONSUL, PUNTA ARENAS.

RESTRICTED ROUTINE.

LIVIND VISITING PUNTA ARENAS WITH THE FAULKLAND ISLANDS GOVERNMENT MOTOR LAUNCH PHILOMEL UNDER ESCORT, ARRIVING P.M. 11th JUNE. THE PURPOSE OF THE VISIT WILL BE TO EFFECT REPAIRS TO PHILOMEL WHICH WILL CALL FOR THE USE OF A SHIPWAY TO TAKE A DRAUGHT OF NINE FEET.

2. MY DIMENSIONS ARE THE SAME AS THOSE OF H.M.S. BURNHEAD BAY. REQUEST YOU SIGNAL INSTRUCTIONS AS TO BERTHING AND WHETHER I WILL BE EXPECTED TO FIRE A NATIONAL SALUTE.

3. I SHALL WISH TO TRANSMIT ON MEDIUM POWER ON THE FOLLOWING FREQUENCIES:-
6217.5 Kc/s, 8290 Kc/s, 12435 Kc/s, 15580 Kc/s.

4. IF POSSIBLE PLEASE SUPPLY ME WITH THE FOLLOWING ON ARRIVAL:-
\$2,000 WORTH OF PESOS, 20 TONS FRESH WATER, 4 Cwts CABBAGE,
150 Lbs BREAD AND 150 Lbs DAILY THEREAFTER.

5. I HAVE ONE LIEUTENANT FOR COMPASSIONATE LEAVE TO U.K. BY AIR VIA MONTEVIDEO. GRATEFUL IF YOU COULD FACILITATE THROUGH PASSAGE AND SIGNAL EARLIEST POSSIBLE DATE OF DEPARTURE FROM PUNTA ARENAS.

6. ADMIRALTY IS REQUESTED TO RE-ENCRYPT PRIOR TO ONWARD TRANSMISSION.

= 29 1820Z MAY

(COPY BY HAND TO COLONIAL SEC 29/5)

DIST. C 1(c) 2(c) 3 5(c) 6(c) 7 COLSEC(c)

W/T

CYBER

TOD I/T

JEAG

29/5

250

TO.... COL. SECRETARY

FROM.. VERNAN BAY

FOLLOWING IS REPLY TO MESSAGE FROM PUNTA AREANS [REFERENCE AIR PASSAGE TO U.K.
PETER PHILIP PHILLIPS NEALE LIEUTENANT ROYAL NAVY. PASSPORT NUMBER 1272131
ISSUED FOREIGN OFFICE LONDON 28th MAY 1949]

090130 Z

PLEASE PASS TO PUNTA ARENAS

HAND

P.L

T.O.D...I.T.

BOOTH

9.6.52

GOVERNMENT TELEGRAPH SERVICE

251

FALKLAND ISLANDS AND DEPENDENCIES.

SENT.

Number	Office of Origin	Words	Handed in at	Date
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To

9.6.52

BRITAIN PUNTA ARENAS.

HCA/C

FOLLOWING FROM VERNAN BAY BEGINS STOP REFERENCE AIR PASSAGE TO
UNITED KINGDOM PETER PHILIP PHILLIPS HEALE LIEUTENANT ROYAL
NAVY STOP PASSPORT NUMBER 1272131 ISSUED FOREIGN OFFICE LONDON
28TH MAY 1949 STOP ENDS.

COLONIAL SECRETARY.

Time

DECODE.

TELEGRAM.

252

From Britain, Punta Arenas.

To The Colonial Secretary.

Despatched : 4th June, 19 52 Time : 1800
Received : 7th June, 19 52 Time : 0845

Copy in 0664/II

Copy in 0497/III

Have arranged harbour dues waived. Owners slipway state advisable bring plan PHILOMEL. Clerk in view who can proceed in frigate or PHILOMEL. Following message is for VERYAN BAY.

Telegraph exact day arrival as this is necessary to know if possible berth alongside. Necessary fire national salute. Transmitting frequencies cash and stores being ~~arranged~~ arranged. Endeavouring secure prompt air passage London via Buenos Aires for Lieutenant. Please telegraph full name number place and date issue passport as Argentine authorities require this information.)

BRITAIN.

(to) passed to W/T Station for onward transmission.

DECODE.

TELEGRAM.

253

From Britain, Punta Arenas.

To The Colonial Secretary.

Despatched : 6th June, 19 52 *Time* : 1530

Received : 7th June, 19 52 *Time* : 0845

For VERYAN BAY.

Have definitely obtained air passage P.Arenas
B.Aires 17th June and first B.O.A.C. plane three
after for London. Urgently require information
asked for in our last signal.

252

BRITAIN.

Phoned to W/T Station for onward transmission
to V.Bay. 7/6.

Reply at 254

P/L.
SS

NAVAL MESSAGE.

S 1320i.
(Established, October, 1935.)

Via COL SEC, PORT STANLEY.

To:

H.B.M. CONSUL, PUTTA ARENAS.

From:

VEGIAN BAY.

PRIORITY RESTRICTED.

SAILING FROM STANLEY DELAYED. FURTHER SIGNAL WILL BE MADE.

2. REQUEST ARRANGEMENTS BE MADE FOR URGENT REPAIR TO 25 Ft CLIMBER BUILT MOTOR CUTTER SERIOUSLY DAMAGED BEYOND CAPACITY OF SHIP'S STAFF. MATERIALS REQUIRED ARE:-

(a) SIX PLANKS	20 FEET.
TEN PLANKS	12 FEET.
FOUR PLANKS	10 FEET.

ALL $\frac{1}{2}$ INCH THICK AND OF MAHOGANY, LARCH OR OTHER SUITABLE WOOD.

(b) ABOUT TWENTY FOUR TIMBERS(RIBS) OF OAK OR ELM SIZE ONE INCH BY $\frac{5}{8}$ INCH LENGTH SIX TO EIGHT FEET.

KHEL HAS BEEN FORCED UP SUSPECTED BADLY STRAINED.

3. AS THIS IS OUR ONLY POWER BOAT BERTH ALONGSIDE IS URGENTLY REQUESTED.
PROBABLE DATE ARRIVAL NOW 15th JUNE(JUNE).

4. C-in-C's APPROVAL FOR LOCAL CONTRACT BEING SOUGHT.

= 10 1105Q JUNE

HAID TO COL SEC FOR ONWARD TRANSMISSION TOD 1130/10th EAG

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GOVERNMENT TELEGRAPH SERVICE
FALKLAND ISLANDS AND DEPENDENCIES.
SENT.

Number	Office of Origin	Words	Handed in at	Date
				10.6.52

To

BRITAIN PUNTA ARENAS.

(ADMIRALTY ACCOUNT)

FOLLOWING FROM VERNAN BAY BEGINS STOP SAILING FROM STANLEY DELAYED
STOP FURTHER SIGNAL WILL BE MADE STOP NEWPARA 2 REQUEST ARRANGE-
MENTS BE MADE FOR URGENT REPAIR TO TWENTYFIVE FEET CLINKER BUILT
MOTOR CUTTER SERIOUSLY DAMAGED BEYOND CAPACITY OF SHIP'S STAFF STOP
MATERIALS REQUIRED ARE (A) SIX PLANKS TWENTY FEET TEN PLANKS TWELVE
FEET FOUR PLANKS TEN FEET STOP ALL HALF INCH THICK AND OF MAHOGANY
LARCH OR OTHER SUITABLE WOOD STOP (B) ABOUT TWENTY FOUR TIMBERS
BRACKET RIBS BRACKET OF OAK OR SIM SIZE ONE INCH BY ~~FIVE~~ FIVE
EIGHTHS INCH LENGTH SIX TO EIGHT FEET STOP KEEL HAS BEEN FORCED UP
SUSPECTED BADLY STRAINED STOP NEWPARA 3 AS THIS IS OUR ONLY ~~BEAR~~
POWER BOAT ^{BERTH} ALONGSIDE IS URGENTLY REQUESTED STOP PROBABLE DATE
ARRIVAL NOW 15TH JUNE STOP NEWPARA 4 COMMANDER IN CHIEF'S APPROVAL
FOR LOCAL CONTRACT BEING SOUGHT, STOP ENDS.

COLONIAL SECRETARY

Time

GOVERNMENT TELEGRAPH SERVICE

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FALKLAND ISLANDS AND DEPENDENCIES.

RECEIVED.

Number	Office of Origin	Words	Handed in at	Date
16	Parenas	15	1130	10/16/62
To	Secretary	157		

For Verryanbay begins admirals
as well as national salute
should be fired.
Britain

Phone to Vava Signe Str.

1425/11th

12/6

Time

1432/11
SA

GOVERNMENT TELEGRAPH SERVICE

257

FALKLAND ISLANDS AND DEPENDENCIES.

RECEIVED.

Number	Office of Origin	Words	Handed in at	Date
20/ To	Parenas Chile	38/37	1200	12/6/52
	LT Secretary			
	Portst. leg =			

For veryan bay [endeavouring
arrange repairs motor launch stop
arrangements have been made
for berthing alongside stop
please wire age and weight
liant neale stop local naval
radio station offer facilities
telecommunications with you?
= Britain

Capt. V.B.

Following from Ence Pa begin []

Time

Has seen Pa.

14/6.

Repeated 258

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GOVERNMENT TELEGRAPH SERVICE.

FALKLAND ISLANDS AND DEPENDENCIES.

SENT.

Number	Office of Origin	Words	Handed in at	Date
				13.6.52.
To	CAPTAIN H.M.S. VERYAN BAY (AT SEA)			HOA/C

FOLLOWING FROM CONSUL PUNTA ARENAS BEGINS STOP ~~REPAIRS~~ ENDEAVOURING
ARRANGE REPAIRS MOTOR LAUNCH STOP ARRANGEMENTS HAVE BEEN MADE FOR
BERTHING ALONGSIDE STOP PLEASE WIRE AGE AND WEIGHT LIEUT. NEALE STOP
LOCAL NAVAL RADIO STATION OFFER FACILITIES TELECOMMUNICATIONS WITH YOU.
STOP ENDS.

COLONIAL SECRETARY

Time

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GOVERNMENT TELEGRAPH SERVICE.

FALKLAND ISLANDS AND DEPENDENCIES.

SENT.

Number	Office of Origin	Words	Handed in at	Date
				13.6.52.
To				
BRITAIN PUNTA ARENAS.				HCA/C

VERYAN BAY AND PHILOMEL SAILED TEN O'CLOCK LAST NIGHT.

COLONIAL SECRETARY

14/6

Time

GOVERNMENT TELEGRAPH SERVICE

260

FALKLAND ISLANDS AND DEPENDENCIES.

RECEIVED.

Number	Office of Origin	Words	Handed in at	Date
2	Vernan Bay	Oct 31	18252	13/6/22
To	Governor	By		

Making good eight and one
 quarter knots in fine calm
 weather all well in philomel
 request date Fitzroy Next sails
 from Montevideo for port Stanley
 for commander in Chief's informat-
 ion =
 Captain

Time

Capt. Vernan Bay 45°

res

P20 advice
 V.B. as far

as you know

Fitzroy expects sail from
 Montevideo for Stanley on 1st July

A/L. Tel at 261

13/6

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GOVERNMENT TELEGRAPH SERVICE.

FALKLAND ISLANDS AND DEPENDENCIES.

SENT.

Number	Office of Origin	Words	Handed in at	Date
				14.6.52.
To	CAPTAIN VERNAN BAY. (AT SEA)			HOA/C

PITZROY EXPECTS SAIL FROM MONTEVIDEO FOR STANLEY ON 1ST JULY.

COLONIAL SECRETARY

Time

GOVERNMENT TELEGRAPH SERVICE

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FALKLAND ISLANDS AND DEPENDENCIES.

RECEIVED.

Number	Office of Origin	Words	Handed in at	Date
22	Porto Arenas Chile	36	2040	14/6/52
76				

LT Secretary
Port Stanley =

Following for veryan bay
begins if you arrive sunday
no salutes to be fired stop
please advise time of arrival
stop chilean naval authorities
have kindly offered to repair
your motor boat =

Britain

X

passed 14/6/52
at 1520

PA

Time

12/15

1500/15

8326

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GOVERNMENT TELEGRAPH SERVICE

FALKLAND ISLANDS AND DEPENDENCIES.

RECEIVED.

Number	Office of Origin	Words	Handed in at	Date
1	Warship Veryanbay	26	0100	15/6
To	Colonial Secretary			

making good nine knots in
perfect weather (1) Philomet
acted as target for our
full calibre throw off shoot
(2) No Casualties

Captain

Time

MA
19.6.

GOVERNMENT TELEGRAPH SERVICE.

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FALKLAND ISLANDS AND DEPENDENCIES.

RECEIVED.

Number	Office of Origin	Words	Handed in at	Date
6	VERYAN BAY	15	1250	28/6/52
To				
COLONIAL SECRETARY STANLEY.				

SAILED PUNTA ARENAS 0830q TODAY SATURDAY STOP

ETA AM MONDAY

CAPTAIN.

gt 28/6

Time

SJS.

Date

19

Place

TIME

DETAILS OF CALLS, MESSAGES, &C.

265

30/6/52

0030Z

9

Vernam Buy ext

See

Col

0800 local

time Monday

Captain

Pa. B. 20th

Am. Ship arrival 30/6/52

Original filed in 0664/II "m.v. PHILOMEL"
Copy filed in 0625/III: "Visit of H.M. Ships"

GOVERNMENT TELEGRAPH SERVICE.

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FALKLAND ISLANDS AND DEPENDENCIES.

S E N T .

Number	Office of Origin	Words	Handed in at	Date
				30.6.52
To	BRITAIN PUNTA ARENAS.			HOA/C

VERY MANY THANKS FOR ALL YOUR ASSISTANCE RENDERED TO PHILOMEL AND
WARSHIP.

OFFICER ADMINISTERING THE GOVERNMENT

Time

[Handwritten signature]
11

267

EXTRACT FROM LETTER FROM T.P.Jones TO Hon. Col. Sec. of 13th June, 1952.

Consul, P. Anvers.

(Original filed in 0030/III
.....

V.B.
Motor Boat ?

25/6

I am sorry to see from your last telegram that the Government motor boat seems to have had bad luck, and that she will also be coming over here to have extensive repairs done. We are in touch with the local foundry, and have no doubt that they will have no difficulty in doing this job.

.....

*Pa
de*

0625 Stu

Number	Office of Origin	Words	Handed in at	Date
1	Paremas Chile	23	1830	268 30/6/52

To

Lt Secretary By =

Recd. 1400/2nd July
8

following for Vanyar Bay Begins
Bay Spares returned from Santiago
to Montevideo Stop Inffel Bay
first lieutenant retained here
Phua Hase Signe Stu. 1405/2nd 8 Britain

GOVERNMENT TELEGRAPH SERVICE.

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FALKLAND ISLANDS AND DEPENDENCIES.

SENT.

Number	Office of Origin	Words	Handed in at	Date
				3.7.52
To				
CAPTAIN H.M.S. VERYAN BAY				

Grateful if you would inform me ETA in respect of HUCKLE.

COLONIAL SECRETARY

Reply was "14.7.52"
[Signature]

Phoned to Naval Signals at 1445/3rd July.

Time

(Intld) J.B.

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NAVAL MESSAGE.

271

For use in
Signal
Department
only

9 Arenaschile 36 1300 8/7/52

Originators Instructions
(Indication of Priority,
Intercept Group, etc.)

Codress/Plaindress

No. of
Groups

TO:

Secretary By —

FROM:

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immediate following for very anbay			10
begins bytel thirtieth June			15
planes sent by land Santiago			20
to Arenas instead of Montevideo			25
stop Please telegraph			30
instructions as to disposal			35
stop next airmail to Buenos			40
twelfth July			45
Britain			50

System

P/L Code or Cypher

Time of
Receipt Despatch

Operator

P.O.O.W.

Date

GOVERNMENT TELEGRAPH SERVICE.

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FALKLAND ISLANDS AND DEPENDENCIES.

SENT.

Number	Office of Origin	Words	Handed in at	Date
				9.7.52.

To	CAPTAIN H.M. S. VERYAN BAY (AT SEA)	HOA/C
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268 IMMEDIATE FOLLOWING FROM BRITAIN PUNTA ARENAS BEGINS MY TELEGRAM
THIRTIETH JUNE SPARES SENT BY LAND SANTIAGO TO PUNTA ARENAS INSTEAD
 OF MONTEVIDEO STOP PLEASE TELEGRAPH INSTRUCTIONS AS TO DISPOSAL
 STOP NEXT AIRMAIL TO BUENOS AIRES TWELFTH JULY.


COLONIAL SECRETARY.

Time

Mail at 270

Pg.


273

 I have not
 yet seen the telegram
 from Consul Punta
 to Verran Bay which
 lasted for some
 days ago.


 16/7

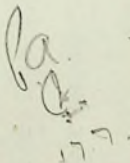
Y.H.

It see 271 which
 was repeated at 272.
 S.P.T. confirms 272 was
 received by V.B.


 16/7

Seen

 17/7

la.

 17/7

provision for equipment and furnishing which we could reasonably be expected to supply from our own resources; allowance has also been made for the adaptation of Admiralty Cottage as a Nurses Home, an essential feature of every modern hospital and of particular importance here if we are to keep the staff happy and contented. Nursing is a very tough job and those who devote their labours to it deserve all the consideration we can give them.

274

Write
across

1 et al	Vernan Bay	15 th - 1200 ^h	17/7/55	55
	Colonial Secretary			60
	Psy			65
	Goodbye and good luck			70
	stop my relief now has			75
	the weight			80
	Horncastle			85
PA 9/8 17/7			G.H. To see 17/7	90

CS

275
Have we received a copy of
Secret sailing orders of St Austell
Bay?

we did from Verran Bay
and if this is normal
procedure, can you please
ask the Captain for a
copy.

198

ACS?

208^a

Ans.

I cannot trace Secret
orders from either Verran Bay
or St. Austell Bay etc. I
rather think T.B's. would be
held by the Gov. & would not
come to Office for file? I.B.

Y.H.

P. 275.

No sailing orders to. New all Bay received.

Those for H.M.S. V. B. are at 208a. and
were received from C. in C.

Draft at cover S.V.C.

Lf

To come as amended.

178

John

5/8.

A.C.S.

6th August,

52.

SECRET.

Sir,

208a. I am directed to state that a copy of the sailing orders of H.M.S. Veryan Bay was supplied to the Governor, Falkland Islands, by the Commander-in-Chief, America and West Indies Station, through the Captain, H.M.S. Veryan Bay.

2. No copy of the "St. Austell Bay's" sailing orders has yet been received and I have to enquire whether the Governor, Falkland Islands, is shown on the distribution list.

3. The reference to the H.M.S. Veryan Bay orders was AWI No. 109/0415 of the 12th of March, 1952.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

(Sgd) J.E. Briscoe

Reply at 278

The Commanding Officer,
H.M.S. St. Austell Bay,
STANLEY.

ACTING COLONIAL SECRETARY.

SECRET

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H.M.S. St. Austell Bay,
at Port Stanley.

10th August, 1952.

No. X1/0246.
THE ACTING COLONIAL SECRETARY,
PORT STANLEY,
FALKLAND ISLANDS.

SAILING ORDERS.

277

With reference to your letter No. 0625/III dated 6th August, The Governor, Falkland Islands is included in the distribution list of my sailing orders (The Commander-in-Chief, America and West Indies Station's No. 305/0415 dated 23rd June, 1952). Perhaps his copy will arrive in the next mail.

2. In the meantime I have shown His Excellency my own copy.

Lamiz

(CAIRNS)
CAPTAIN.

BV
18/8

See 285.

SECRET

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SECRET

Office of the Commander-in-Chief,
America and West Indies Station,
Admiralty House,
BERMUDA.

23rd June, 1952.

A.W.I. No. 305/0415.

Captain The Earl Cairns, Royal Navy.

(Copies to:-

The Secretary of the Admiralty.

His Excellency,

The Governor and Commander-in-Chief,
Falkland Islands.

The Naval Attache,
Buenos Aires.)

SAILING ORDERS - H.M.S. ST. AUSTELL BAY.

Being in all respects ready for sea, H.M.S. ST. AUSTELL BAY
under your command is to proceed at 1030P on ~~Wednesday~~ 25th June to Port
Stanley, Falkland Islands.

Route.

2. Direct as safe navigation permits, in accordance with my
signal timed 271602Z May.

Speed.

3. Normally you should proceed at economical speed.

Falkland Islands.

4. On arrival at Port Stanley you are to relieve H.M.S. VERYAN BAY
and give His Excellency the Governor of the Falkland Islands any assistance
that he may need for the security of the Islands and Dependencies, placing
yourself at his disposal whenever you consider this desirable.

Further Movements.

5. You are to signal to me (repeated Admiralty) your intended
movements and any deviations therefrom in addition to the signal required
by A.W.I.O.2605. While you are at the disposal of His Excellency the
Governor these signals are to be classified 'Restricted' or higher as
requisite.

Fuel.

6. (a) Furnace Fuel. All stocks should be tested and compared with
Admiralty specifications before being embarked. If any
appreciable differences are noted the oil should be kept separate.

(b) Lubricating Oil. Except for Bermuda there are practically
no stocks of Admiralty Compound oil on the station, but Shell can
produce a very good alternative called Nautilus 72 which can be
mixed, and has already been used and approved of by this class.
In view of the high lubricating consumption every convenient
opportunity should be taken of topping up, and if possible a
small stock should be built up at Port Stanley.

/Press Releases...

SECRET

C.S. P/A & advise Captain Cairns
that we now have this copy

1378

SECRET

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Press Releases.

7. If security permits and if the Governor agrees, anything of news value may be signalled to Chief of Naval Information (R) Director of Naval Intelligence and me without delay.

Communications.

8. (a) Guard Broadcast Love until crossing the equator when watch should be shifted to Broadcast SA. Your intended time of shifting watch to Broadcast SA is to be reported 24 hours previously to Admiralty, C-in-C, America and West Indies, C-in-C, South Atlantic, CANFLAGLANT, CANAVHED and B.N.S. Washington.

(b) Should Broadcast Love become unreadable at the Southern Extremity of Area Easy you are to act in accordance with A.F.O.S. 1/52 Section WA paragraph 3 (b).

(c) Maintain constant L/S watch on 500 Kc/s.

(d) One edition of a Six-Way One-Time Pad Set (S.P.02392) is held by H.M.S. VERYAN RAY. It is to be obtained from her during your turn over period.

(e) If difficulty is experienced in clearing signals on Ship-Shore wave, Falkland Island's W/T (V.P.C.) may be used. Frequencies are as follows:-

405 K/c.s. }
500 K/c.s. } between 1200Z and 0200Z.

Falkland Island W/T works routine periods with London at 2100Z and 0001Z daily.

Security.

9. At Pointe a Pierre the presence of the Mobile Landing Party on board is to be explained as "borne for Landing exercises in the Caribbean islands". The ship's true destination is not to be revealed.

Present Situation.

10. Paragraph 2 (c) of Admiralty Message timed 261313 January states that "we cannot exclude the possibility that the Argentines might attempt some minor action, possibly against an uninhabited island, of a sort which they think would not lead to war. Such an operation could be carried out at any time of the year". The message also stated that "the Argentines are unlikely to attempt any form of permanent occupation of the Falkland Islandsunless they come to the conclusion that Her Majesty's Government would not or could not defend the Colony".

11. A recent estimate by the Naval Attache, Buenos Aires of the present situation is attached.

Policy.

12. The Governor of the Falkland Islands will inform you as to the present Government policy on official protests to be issued to any foreign intruders. When drafting protests you are to bear in mind that our complaint is against unnotified visits by foreign warships to our ports and not to their mere passage through territorial waters to which, provided it is innocent, there is no objection in International Law.

SECRET

SECRET

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13. If a situation arises whereby you have to retaliate with force in the absence of the Governor, you must use your own discretion and will, of course, have my support. In any case of doubt or difficulty you should refer to me if time allows.

William Andrewes
VICE-ADMIRAL.

SECRET

SECRET

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COPI.

From:- Naval Attache,
Buenos Aires.

To:- Commander-in-Chief,
America and West Indies.

Dated 31st May, 1952.

Reference No. MA.1b2.

With reference to A.W.I. No. 0415 of 23rd April,
the following is submitted:-

- (a) Ample forces exist to carry out an operation.
- (b) The Navy appears content with present progress, and the President in a speech on 21st May referred to eventual Argentine absorption of the Antarctic by peaceful occupation.
- (c) The Navy, while being the main instrument, would not originate an operation, though the possibility is not absent from their minds, as evinced by C.N.O.'s remark to the U.S. Naval Attache about using the relief expedition as a cloak for an operation.
- (d) Though the President and Government have an increasingly exaggerated idea of the importance and strength of Argentina, sensible members would not countenance it because of the effects. Moreover, there have been assurances that the *modus vivendi* in the Antarctic would be faithfully observed.

The strength or weakness of H.M. Government has considerable bearing on the matter.

- (e) A token civilian occupation of an uninhabited island is still a thought.
- (f) There remains the possibility of an operation as a wild-cat attempt to bolster up the morale and prestige of the regime. The possibility is at present unli, but cannot be ignored.

2. Therefore, since the possibility in (f) above continues, the threat to the Falkland Islands, though faint, nevertheless exists.

3. H.M. Ambassador agrees with the above.

(Sgd) R. Terry.

Captain
Royal Navy.

SECRET

20th August,

52.

SECRET.

Sir,

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I am directed to refer to your letter No. X1/0246 of the 10th of August, 1952, regarding H.M.S. St. Austell Bay's sailing orders and to inform you that His Excellency's copy has now been received.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

(Sgd) J. E. Briscoe

ACTING COLONIAL SECRETARY.

The Commanding Officer,
H.M.S. St. Austell Bay, .
STANLEY.

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MESSAGE

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IN

081744Z August
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From C. in C. A.W.I.

DATE 9.8.52

TIME 1035

BY SECURE MEANS

To N.A. Rio de Janeiro, N.A. Buenos Aires, N.A. Santiago, Chile,
Air Attache Caracas, Governor Falkland Islands.

I am considering a cruise round South America for H.M.S. SUPRE
during the period mid-January to early April, 1953.

2. I would welcome your suggestions for most suitable times to visit
ports in your area having regard to National Festivities, etc.
3. My own presence cannot be guaranteed in view of my NATO commitments,
but I shall endeavour to visit as many capitals as possible during the
cruise.
4. It is hoped that a Frigate may be in company for some of the time

081744Z

*CS. What is the
conventional time? We
must try & keep away
from the Budget session*

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Office of the Commander-in-Chief,
America and West Indies Station,
H.M.S. SHEFFIELD,
at Esquimalt.



12th August, 1952.

A.W.I.No.0415.

COMMANDER D.G.E. HALL-WRIGHT, ROYAL NAVY.

(Copies to:- The Secretary of the Admiralty
(A.W.I.No.389/0415).

His Excellency,

The Governor and Commander-in-Chief,
Falkland Islands.

The Naval Attache,
Buenos Aires).

SAILING ORDERS - H.M.S. SNIPE.

Being in all respects ready for sea H.M.S. SNIPE under your command is to leave Bermuda, as convenient, on Wednesday 27th August for Port Stanley, Falkland Islands.

Route.

2. Direct as safe navigation permits in accordance with my signal timed 251743Z/July, as amended by my 031728/August.

Speed.

3. Normally you should proceed at economical speed.

Falkland Islands

4. On arrival at Port Stanley you are to relieve H.M.S. ST. AUSTELL BAY and give His Excellency the Governor of the Falkland Islands any assistance he may need for the security of the Islands and the Dependencies, placing yourself at his disposal whenever you consider this desirable. You are to assume control of the Royal Marine Detachment at present administered by H.M.S. ST. AUSTELL BAY.

Further Movements

5. You are to signal to me, (repeated Admiralty), your intended movements and any deviations therefrom in addition to the signal required by the A.W.I.O. 2605.

Fuel.

6. (a) Furnace Fuel. All stocks are to be tested and compared with Admiralty specifications before being embarked. If any appreciable differences are noted the oil should be kept separate.
- (b) Lubricating Oil. Except for Bermuda there are practically no stocks of Admiralty compound lubricating oil on the station, but there are several suitable commercial types available, details of which can be obtained from the Assistant Fleet Engineer Officer, Bermuda.

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Press Releases

7. If security permits and if the Governor agrees, anything of news value may be signalled to the Chief of Naval Information, the Director of Naval Intelligence and me without delay.

Communications

8. (a) Guard Broadcast Love until crossing the equator when watch should be shifted to Broadcast SA. Your intended time of shifting watch to Broadcast SA is to be reported 24 hours previously to Admiralty, C-in-C, America and West Indies, C-in-C, South Atlantic, CANFLAGLANT, CANAVHED and B.N.S. Washington.
- (b) Should Broadcast Love become unreadable at the Extremity of Area Easy you are to act in accordance with A.F.O.'s 1/52 Section WA paragraph 3 (b).
- (c) Maintain constant L/S watch on 500 Kc/s.
- (d) One edition of a Six-Way One-Time Pad Set (S.P.02392) is held by H.M.S. ST. AUSTELL BAY. It is to be obtained from her during your turnover period.
- (e) If difficulty is experienced in clearing signals on Ship-Shore wave, Falkland Island's W/T (V.P.C.) may be used. Frequencies are as follows:-

405 K/cs.)
500 K/cs.) between 1200Z and 0200Z.

Falkland Island W/T works routine periods with London at 2100Z and 0001Z daily.

Present Situation.

9. Paragraph 2 (c) of Admiralty Message timed 261313/January states that "we cannot exclude the possibility that the Argentines might attempt some minor action, possibly against an uninhabited island, of a sort which they think would not lead to war. Such an operation could be carried out at any time of the year". The message also stated that "the Argentines are unlikely to attempt any form of permanent occupation of the Falkland Islands.....unless they come to the conclusion that Her Majesty's Government would not or could not defend the Colony". An estimate by Naval Attache, Buenos Aires of the situation is attached hereto.

Policy.

10. The Governor of the Falkland Islands will inform you as to the present Government policy on official protests to be issued to any foreign intruders. When drafting protests you are to bear in mind that our complaint is against unnotified visits by foreign warships

/to our ports.....

to our ports and not their mere passage through territorial waters to which, provided it is innocent, there is no objection in International Law.

11. Acknowledgement

You are to acknowledge receipt of these orders by signal quoting "A.W.I.No.0415 dated 12th August, 1952 acknowledged".

William Andrewes

VICE-ADMIRAL.



Office of the Commander-in-Chief,
America and West Indies Station,
H.M.S. SHEFFIELD.

13th August, 1952.

H.M.S. SNIPE.

The following programme for H.M.S. SNIPE is promulgated for information.

2. The visits in this programme will be of an informal nature.

William Andrews

Vice-Admiral
Commander-in-Chief,
America and West Indies Station.

<u>PLACE.</u>	<u>ARRIVE.</u>	<u>LEAVE.</u>
Bermuda.	23rd August.	27th August.
Trinidad Area.	1st September.	18th September.
Belem	22nd September.	25th September.
Recife.	29th September.	3rd October.
Santos.	7th October.	11th October.
Montevideo.	14th October.	18th October.
Port Stanley.	21st October.	

Notes: (i) H.M.S. SNIPE is commanded by
Commander D.G.D. Hall-Wright, Royal Navy.

(ii) Particulars of H.M.S. SNIPE:-

Displacement - 2,000 tons Length - 299ft 6 inches.
Draught - 11ft.

Complement - 10 Officers 180 men.

Moved from 286.

DISTRIBUTION.

The Secretary of the Admiralty.

His Excellency the Governor of Bermuda.
" " " " " Trinidad & Tobago.
" " " " " British Guiana.
" " " " " British Honduras.
" " " " " Jamaica.
" " " " " Windward Islands.
" " " " " Leeward Islands.
" " " " " Falkland Islands.

His Excellency The British Ambassador, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.
" " " " " Montevideo, Uruguay.

British Joint Services Mission (Navy Staff), Washington.

Her Britannic Majesty's Consul, Montevideo.
" " " " " Belém.
" " " " " Recife.
" " " " " Santos.

The British Naval Attache, Rio de Janeiro.
" " " " " Buenos Aires.
" " " " " Santiago de Chile.
" " " " " Washington.

The Commander, Caribbean Area.

Officer Commanding Troops, Bermuda.

The Resident Naval Officer, Bermuda.

The Colonial Postmaster, Hamilton, Bermuda.

Commanding Officer's H.M. Ships, America and West Indies Squadron

The Captain, 7th Frigate Squadron.

Saving.

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No. of copies sent *Two.*

From the Secretary of State for the Colonies.

To the Officer Administering the Government of FALKLAND ISLANDS
COLONY

Date *15* August, 1952.

0625/II

No. *146* Saving.

SECRET



2044 in.
0625/II

Your secret telegram No. 50 and previous correspondence.

Admiralty have now indicated a requirement for permanent storage of a similar quantity of cold weather clothing for H.M. ship in the Falkland Islands. Storage space required is as before - i.e. 450 cubic feet. The clothing will need to be inspected periodically - probably not more often than once in six months, with a ten per cent check on the condition of all clothing, other than waterproof, and an itemised check on all waterproof garments.

2. This request has been discussed here with Governor who has agreed to meet the requirement.
3. You will no doubt indicate in due course what charge, if any, should be made for this service.

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TO..... ADMIRALTY.

FROM...C IN C A & W.I.

INFO..... COM. FRIGATES 7.; SWIFT,
CAUFLAGLANT., R.N.O. BERMUDA.,
GOVERNOR TRINIDAD., GOVERNOR, FALKLAND ISLANDS.,
N.S. RIO DE JANEIRO.

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UNCLASSIFIED.

INTEND FOLLOWING MOVEMENTS FOR SWIFT. READ IN 4 COLUMNS.

<u>PLACE.</u>	<u>ARRIVE.</u>	<u>DEPART.</u>	<u>FUEL REQUIREMENTS.</u>
HALIFAX.	-	20TH. SEPT.	-
BERMUDA.	23RD. SEPT.	24th. SEPT.	60 TONS.
POINTE A PIERRE	29TH. SEPT.	30th. SEPT.	100 TONS.
PERMANBUCO	8TH. OCT.	10TH. OCT.	180 TONS.
RIO. DE JANEIRO.	14TH. OCT.	15TH. OCT.	200 TONS.
FORT STANLEY.	22ND. OCT.	-	140 TONS.

2. ALL VISITS ARE OPERATIONAL.
3. REQUEST CLEARANCE FOR PERMANBUCO AND RIO DE JANEIRO.
4. REQUEST MAILE BE DIVERTED ACCORDINGLY.

161820.Z.

SA'S. P/L TOR. 2214.Z. C.F.B. 16-9-52.

DISTRIBUTION..... CAPT. N.O. R.O. SHIPS OFFICE.

PASSED TO GOVERNOR TRINIDAD IN ACCORDANCE WITH C IN C A & W.I'S
161915.Z. TOD. I/T.

CS. 161915
has seen 8.17.52

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TO..... ADMIRALTY.

FROM..... C IN C A & W.I.

INFO..... ST. AUSTELL BAY. R.N.C. BERTUDA, HEM. MINISTER
PANAMA, GOVERNOR FALKLANDS, GOVERNOR JAMAICA. *
N.A. SANTIAGO, CHILE.

RESTRICTED. "BY SECURE MEANS".

PROPOSE FOLLOWING PROGRAMME FOR RETURN OF ST. AUSTELL BAY FROM
FALKLAND ISLANDS. READ IN FOUR COLUMNS.

<u>PLACE.</u>	<u>ARRIVE.</u>	<u>DEPART.</u>	<u>FUEL REQUIREMENTS.</u>
FORT. STANLEY.	-	25TH. OCT.	-
PUERTO MONTE.	30TH. OCT.	3RD. NOV.	-
ANTOFAGASTA.	8TH. NOV.	12TH. NOV.	350 TONS.
TALARA.	17TH NOV.	22ND. NOV.	
ZANAMA CANAL.	25TH. NOV.	25TH. NOV.	
KINGSTON.	28TH. NOV.	1ST. DEC.	350 TONS.
BERMUDA.	5TH. DEC.	-	150 TONS.

2. EARLY CLEARANCE AND APPROVAL FOR THESE VISITS ARE REQUESTED.
3. REQUEST MAIL DIVERSION ACCORDINGLY.
4. MY 291855 AUGUST, PARA 3, NOT TO ALL. IF REQUIRED BY
AMBASSADOR PROGRAMME MAY BE ADJUSTED TO INCLUDE VALPARAISO
IN TIME FOR INAUGURATION OF PRESIDENT.
5. ADMIRALTY PASS TO H.B.M. MINISTER PANAMA.
6. ST. AUSTELL BAY PASS TO GOVERNOR FALKLANDS.

= 162357.Z.

REF..... NOT HELD.

SA'S. TYPEX.

TOR. 1456.Z. C.F.B. 17-0-52.

DISTRIBUTION..... CAPTAIN, FIRST LT, N.O. GOV. (2)

Handwritten: C.F.B. 17-0-52. 293
Hes has seen 8.

J.H.

P. 286.

Itinerary of last visiting C. in C. is at p. 102
of vol. II attached.

Early February would appear suitable

J.H.
17/9

^{CB}₂ Telegram at cover to Paris.
Cypher 1879

P.A.

Would you oblige me.

J.H.
18/9.

DECODE.

TELEGRAM.

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From O.A.G.

To C-in-C, A.W.I., Bermuda.

Despatched : 19th September, 19 52 Time : 1400

Received : 19 Time :

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Your signal 081744z August 1953
cruise. Early or middle February would be
most convenient. Could brief visit South Georgia
be included also for reasons given in my tel. 2nd
December 1950.

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COD:MLO.

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291 - reply to effect that no
change will be made?

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Y.H.

P.291. para 3.

I don't think we will wish to charge for the service, but it appears better to let lie at the moment rather than commit ourselves until we know what is really involved.

CS I agree that we shall not charge. - Nowy themselves can inspect at least ~~once~~ once a year & if we don't charge we can get them perhaps to do other small jobs such as mending stands shelves etc.

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A.C.S.

your minute at 295

N.A.H.

23/9/52

TO..... THE GOVERNOR FALKLAND ISLANDS.

FROM...C IN C A & W.I. 297

RESTRICTED "BY SECURE MEANS".

YOUR 101500. TELEGRAM OF DECEMBER 1950 NO LONGER HELD,
REQUEST REPETITION ALTHOUGH IT IS EXTREMELY DOUBTFUL
WHETHER TIME WILL PERMIT A VISIT TO SOUTH GEORGIA BY
THE FLAGSHIP IN 1953.

2. ST. AUSTELL BAY PASS TO ADDRESSEE.

= 211625.Z.

SA'S.

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TOR. 0342Z.

C.F.B. 22-9-52.

DIST..... LOG. GOV.

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TELEGRAM.

From Officer Administering the Government

To C. in C., A.W.I., Bermuda.

Despatched : 23rd September, 19 52. Time : 1130

Received : 19 Time :

Your 211625z. Visit to South
Georgia by flagship.

My telegram December 1950 expressed
opinion that visit would be politically
advantageous.

COD:MLO.

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TO...ST AUSTELL BAY FROM... C IN C A.W.I.
UNCLASSIFIED ROUTINE.

YOUR 082145

FOLLOWING IS A REPETITION OF MY 271815 BEGINS. FROM C IN C A.W.I.
TO ADMIRALTY INFO ST AUSTELL BAY GOVERNOR FALKLAND ISLANDS H.A.
SANTIAGO CHILE

MY 162357. PARA 4 ON REQUEST OF AMBASSADOR, WHO IS OBTAINING
DIPLOMATIC CLEARANCE, INTEND ST AUSTELL BAY VISIT VALPARAISO FROM
51st TO 5th NOVEMBER

2... PROGRAMME IS THEREFORE AMENDED AS FOLLOWS. READ IN THREE COLUMNS
PLACE ARRIVAL DEPARTURE.

PORT STANLEY		23rd OCTOBER
VALPARAISO	31st OCTOBER	5th NOVEMBER
ANTOFAGASTA	7th NOVEMBER	12th NOVEMBER

3... REQUEST MAILS BE DIVERTED ACCORDINGLY

4... ST AUSTELL BAY PASS TO GOVERNOR FALKLAND ISLANDS.

D.T.G. 271815 ENDS.

PARA 2... SANTIAGO ~~XXXXX~~ 291600 PSE NOT NOW REQUIRED BY YOU.
091831.

REFERENCE. CINC A.W.I. 271815 NOT RECEIVED.

REFERENCE. ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~ 162357 PROGRAMME FOR ST AUSTELL BAY

DIST...CAPT 1st LT. NO GOVERNORS OFFICE.
S.A. E/L 0900 MCM

10/10/52.

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PUBLIC NOTICE.

Information has been received that H.M.C.S. Ontario under the command of Captain Ernest Patrick Tisdall, C.D., R.C.N., will arrive in Port William at 1.0 p.m. on Thursday next the 16th October, and will depart from Stanley at 1.0 p.m. on Monday the 20th October.

The ship will be open to visitors between 1.30 p.m. and 4.30 p.m. on Friday the 17th October.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Stanley.
11th October, 1952.

PUBLIC NOTICE.

300 ~~300~~
With reference to the Public Notice dated 11th October, H.M.C.S. Ontario will arrive at 10 a.m. on Thursday the 16th October and depart at 10 a.m. the following Monday.

A Colony dance for the ships' companies of H.M.C.S. Ontario and H.M.S. St. Austell Bay is to be held on Friday the 17th October from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. The dance is being organised by the Town Council and admission will be free.

A children's party on board for children between the ages of six and fourteen has been arranged for Saturday the 18th October from 2 to 4.30 p.m.

It is hoped to organise football, rifle shooting matches and boat races with the Ontario during her stay.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
STANLEY.
14th October, 1952.

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NAVY MESSAGE

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TO...ST. AUSTELL BAY.

INFO...C IN C A.W.I.

FROM... ONTARIO.

ROUTINE UNCLASSIFIED.

No copy?

YOUR 100240Z.. PLEASE PASS TO GOVERNOR FALKLAND ISLANDS.

1...E.T.A. PORT WILLIAM 161300Z OCTOBER . E.T.D. 201300Z

OCTOBER. NAME OF COMMANDING OFFICER, CAPTAIN ERNEST PATRICK TISDALL
C.D. R. C.N.

3...REQUEST 750 TONS OIL FUEL ALSO 50 TONS FRESH WATER PER DIESEL.

4...SHIT CAN BE OPEN TO VISITORS ON FRIDAY 17th FROM 1530 TO 1630.

5...IT IS DESIRED TO GIVE A LUNCHEON FOR 12 GUESTS ON SATURDAY 18th
AND A CHILDRENS PARTY SATURDAY AFTERNOON 1400 to 1630. (180)
AGES 6 to 14. AND FINALLY, A SMALL INFORMAL RECEPTION ON SUNDAY 19th
FROM 1800 TO 2000.

6...A LETTER FROM BRITISH NAVAL ATTACHE SANTIAGO FOR ST. AUSTELL BAY
IS HELD BY COMMANDING OFFICER.

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7...INFORMATION IS REQUESTED ALSO AND CONVENIENT TIME TO CALL ON
THE GOVERNOR.

8...THE VISIT TO THE FALKLAND ISLANDS IS ANTICIPATED WITH GREAT
PLEASURE.

//...102005.Z. OCTOBER. '52.

"SA".

P.L.

T.O.R... 0210.

F.J.S.

11/10/52.

D R A F T

Captain, St. A.B.

O.A.G.

Grateful you ask Ontario (1) If 1200 Thursday convenient for O.C.'s call to be returned 1530 (2) If they can turn out pulling team Friday evening Shooting Eight Saturday afternoon and first and second eleven soccer teams Sunday afternoon stop Detailed programme will be supplied on arrival incorporating kind invitations already received from Ontario stop Pulling must be Friday owing to Fitzroy loading.

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TO...ONTARIO

FROM....ST. AUSTELL BAY

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UNCLASSIFIED.

OFFICIAL CALLS THURSDAY. ALL TIMES ZONE PLUS THREE.

1000. OFFICER OF GUARD BOARDS YOU WITH FULL PROGRAMME.

1045. ST. AUSTELL BAY CALLS ON YOU.

1150. CAR AT GOVERNMENT JETTY TO TAKE YOU TO GOVERNMENT HOUSE.
AFTER LEAVING GOVERNMENT HOUSE YOU RETURN CALL OF ST. AUSTELL
BAY AND STAY TO LUNCH.

1230. A.D.C. RETURNS YOUR CALL WHILE YOU ARE IN ST. AUSTELL BAY.

2.... REQUEST YOU CONFIRM ABOVE CONVENIENT TO YOU.

3.... ACTING GOVERNOR ACCEPTS WITH PLEASURE INVITATIONS IN
PARAS 4 AND 5 OF YOUR 102005.

4.... HE REQUESTS CONFIRMATION THAT YOU CAN ACCEPT FOLLOWING
SPORTING CHALLENGES. (A) TRIPARTITE WHALER RACE FRIDAY
EVENING. CAN YOU PROVIDE ONE WHALER FOR STANLEY CREW, ONE
MILE COURSE IN STANLEY HARBOUR.

(B) RIFLE TEAM OF EIGHT SATURDAY AFTERNOON.

(C) FIRST AND SECOND ELEVEN SOCCER MATCHES AGAINST STANLEY
ON SUNDAY AFTERNOON.

150150Z

DIST. GOVERNOR.

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P/L

T.O.D.0222Z

E.V.D

15/10/52.

Reply at ~~144~~ 311

C.S.
Distribution

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Original & 2 copies .. Ontario } via
2 Copies Co. St. Louis Bay } Ag
C.T.

1 Copy. GH

1 - C.S.

1 - Ag Hon

1 - Col Man. R.C.

1 - C. Const.

1 - S/Lt (and 1 of S)

1 - ACS

Any one else ??

C.S. Secretariat sheet put on with
typing this.

2) 6 copies of the 60 Sunday
papers coming down i.d.e.

3) Draft covering letter coming
i.d.e. - pre send boy back.

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0625/III.

15th October,

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308-360 Sir,

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I have the honour to enclose 3 copies of the programme for your visit which incorporates the kind invitations already received from you.

2. Arrangements have been made for the Government of R.F.V. "Patience" and the Falkland Islands Company's M.S. "Olio" to help in transporting your liberty men and ships' guests and details will be supplied by the Commanding Officer R.N.S. St. Austell Bay.

3. The Commanding Officer R.N.S. St. Austell Bay has also kindly consented to make various other arrangements with you regarding shore leave, patrols, signals, etc.

4. 750 tons furnace oil will be supplied by lighter by the Falkland Islands Company but it is regretted that no facilities are available for providing you with fresh water.

5. As regard, currency, the most convenient arrangement would be for you to borrow such sum of local currency as you may require from the Treasury. Adjustment could later be made easily and accurately through the Crown Agents for the Colonies in London. In anticipation of your concurrence the Acting Colonial Treasurer will be coming on board with £2,000 Falkland Islands currency in notes immediately on your arrival.

6. At the risk of appearing inhospitable, may I say that it will be appreciated if the officers and men under your command would refrain from making large or wholesale purchases in the shops. Our communications with the outside world are infrequent and we are limited to what one small vessel of 850 tons can bring us in ten trips in a year.

7. In conclusion I would like to say how much we are looking forward to your visit.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

(Sgd.) J. E. Briscoe

ACTING COLONIAL SECRETARY.

Captain E. P. Fiddall, C.D., R.C.N.,

H.M.C.S. ONTARIO,
ST. JAMES.

PROGRAMME FOR VISIT OF

H.M.S. ST. AUSTELL

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Thursday, 16th October

- 1000 Arrive
- 1200 Commanding officer calls on officer administering the Government (car will be at Government Jetty 1150).
- 1235 A.B.C. returns Commanding officer's call to H.M.S. St. Austell Bay (Ontario Boat at Government Jetty).
- 1845 Cocktail Party Government House (up to 50 officers).
- 2100 Dance in Town Hall available for ship's company.

Friday, 17th October

- 1530
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1630 Ship open to visitors.
- 1800 Pulling race over 1 mile course - subject to confirmation
- 1930 Dinner Party, Sullivan House (Commanding officer and three officers).
- 2100 Colony Dance for both ships' companies in Town Hall
- + 2130 Cocktail Party Colony Club (30 officers including those mentioned above).

Arrangements have been made for the officers attending this party to dine with various club members beforehand.

Saturday, 18th October

- 1245 Commanding officer's luncheon party (list of 12 guests attached). ~~1245~~ 3.10
- 1530 Rifle shooting match (weather permitting).
- 1630
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1630 Children's Party on board (about 100 children and six school teachers).
- 1845 Cocktail Party - Colonial Manager, Falkland Islands Company, at Stanley House up to 50 officers).
- 2100 Dance in Town Hall available for ship's company.

Sunday, 19th October

- (0900 Rifle shooting match) (only if postponed from Saturday).
- 1430 Football match (1st XI)
- 1600 Football match (2nd XI)
- 1800 Ship's reception (60 people excluding H.M.S. St. Austell Bay - list of guests attached).

Monday, 20th October

- 1000 Depart.

NOTES:

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1. Officers are eligible to be honorary members of the Colony Club where they will be welcome during normal club hours. Meals are not available.

2. The Committee of the Falkland Islands Defence Force have extended a cordial invitation to Chief Petty Officers, Petty Officers and Marine R.C.O.'s to use their Club.

3. The local branch of the Red Cross will organise a canteen for ratings in Backyard Cottage.

4. Rifle shooting.

6 men to a team. S.H. (a) (open sights) should be used. The service of three markers would be welcome.

5. Football (soccer)

Practices and matches other than those officially scheduled could be arranged, if desired, through the sports officer, R.M.C. St. Austell Bay.

6. pulling.

It is hoped that R.M.C.S. Antonio can lend the Stanley crew a spare whaler.

7. Jetties.

The public jetty should be used for liberty men though officers may use the Government jetty if they wish.

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Commanding Officers Luncheon Party.

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His Honour the Officer Administering the Government.

Captain the Earl Cairns, R.N. (Commanding Officer, H.M.S.
St. Austell Bay).

Mr. & Mrs. Briecoe (Acting Colonial Secretary)

Mr. & Mrs. Barton (Colonial Manager, Falkland
Islands Company).

Dr. and Mrs. Slessor (Senior Medical Officer)

The Rev. & Mrs. Steele (Senior Chaplain of the
Falkland Islands).

Mr. & Mrs. E. Luxton (Farm Manager and Member
Legislative Council).

TO..... ST. AUSTELL BAY

FROM.... ONTARIO.

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UNCLASSIFIED.

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RE E.T.A. 161300.Z. YOUR 150450. ARRANGEMENTS FOR CALLS
QUITE CONVENIENT.

PARA (B) HAVE FOUR WHALERS WOULD BE GLAD TO LEND TWO IF DESIRED.

(C) AFFIRMATIVE.

(D) REGRET ONLY ONE SOCCER TEAM.

= 151557.Z.

REF..... (A) COULD YOU LEND A WHALER.
(B) RIFLE TEAM OF EIGHT SATURDAY AFTERNOON.
(C) 1ST AND 2ND. ELEVEN SOCCER.

SA'S. P/L TOR. 2310. C.F.B. 15-10-52.

DISTRIBUTION...GOVERNOR. LOG. CAPTAIN.

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ACS
A.C.S.

PUBLIC NOTICE.

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The following is a Programme of Events during H.M.C.S. Ontario's stay in the Falkland Islands:-

FRIDAY, 17TH: 9.00 p.m. - 1.00 a.m. Colony Dance in the Town Hall.

SATURDAY, 18TH: 1.30 p.m. Rifle Shooting Match - F.I.D.F. v. Ontario.

2.30 p.m. Children's Party on board Ontario
("Philomel" will leave Government Jetty at 2.15 p.m.)

SUNDAY, 19TH: 2.30 p.m. Football Match - Ontario v. Stanley.

4.30 p.m. Boat Race - Ontario, St. Austell Bay and Stanley (three boats);

followed by another Boat Race between under 21's from Ontario, St. Austell Bay, The Boys' Brigade and Stanley Apprentices (four boats).

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Stanley, Falkland Islands.
17th October, 1952.

Record Results of above - Rifle Match F.I.D.F. 742
Ontario 697

Football Stanley 5 Ontario 2

Boat Races Stanley 1st St. Austell Bay 2nd
"St. Austell Bay" 3rd Ontario 4th
Boys' Brigade 1st Apprentices 2nd
St. Austell Bay 3rd Ontario 4th.

(Stand Ontario raised 10 on 20th Oct. 1952)

P.A.S.

DECODE.

TELEGRAM.

From The Canadian Ambassador, Buenos Aires.

To His Excellency the Governor.

Despatched :	17.10.52	19	Time : 1730
Received :	18.10.52	19	Time : 0900

Only 21 Gun National Salute to be fired halfway between entrance to Port of La Plata and Ponton Interseccion kilometres 37. Please advise early exact hour you will pass Saluting Point. Naval Base at Rio Santiago will return salute on arrival October 23rd. Captain Tisdall calls on the Ambassador who returns call immediately, then both leave in Ambassador's car to present respects to Minister of Foreign Affairs, Dr. Jeronimo Remorino, after which big cocktail party; nothing else that evening. Other official calls next morning. Argentine law does not permit export of veal supplies, for visiting ships considered export. Garland suggests you obtain in Montevideo homogenized milk unobtainable Schkulnik milk instead. Other visiting ships well satisfied. Also suggest milk in bottles as of superior quality. Please advise whether you want milk in bottles or tins containers. If you have a dance Band could it play at Ball in my residence Saturday October 25th.

CANADIAN AMBASSADOR.

Copy sent to C.O. Ontario

[Signature]
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Reply

Y.H.
to see above.
[Signature]
18/X

[Initials]

TO..... C IN C A & W.I.

FROM...ST. AUSTELL BAY.

INFO..... ADMIRALTY.
GOVERNOR TALKLANDS

RESTRICTED "BY SECURE MEANS."

INTEND TO TRANSFER MY SET OF S.P. 02392 TO GOVERNOR
TALKLANDS FOR CUSTODY.

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S/S P/L TOD. 0100. C.P.B. 18-10-52.

DISTRIBUTION.....N.O.; GOVERNOR.; LOG.

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GOVERNMENT TELEGRAPH SERVICE.

FALKLAND ISLANDS AND DEPENDENCIES.

SENT.

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Number	Office of Origin	Words	Handed in at	Date
				20.10.52
To				
CANADIAN AMBASSADOR BUENOS AIRES.				X

YOUR TELEGRAM 7TH STOP SHIP WILL PASS SALUTING POINT 1440 23RD
OCTOBER STOP NEWPAPA 2 BOTTLED MILK SATISFACTORY WILL OBTAIN
HOMOGENIZED MILK IN MONTEVIDEO STOP NEWPAPA 3 DANCE BAND AVAILABLE
TO PLAY AT YOUR RESIDENCE SATURDAY 25TH OCTOBER.

OFFICER ADMINISTERING THE GOVERNMENT.

Time

T/O.

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CONFIRMATORY COPY ORIGINAL SENT TO W/T STATION 0915/2061

AC^S

~~Handwritten~~

Following message received
from Co. Ontario
To OAC.

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~~1145~~

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Very many thanks for
all the courtesies and
help extended to us by
everyone ☺ ☺ our
welcome to Stanley
much appreciated ☺ Good
bye & good luck.

2) Pse have radio
announcement to-day
repeated on Friday news. 318

~~Handwritten~~

3) Pse send message of
thanks to Chairman T.C.
for their able running
of the dance.

20/10

PUBLIC NOTICE.

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The following message received from the Commanding Officer,
H.M.C.S. Ontario is published for general information:-

"To/ The Officer Administering the Government.

Very many thanks for all the courtesies and help extended
to us by everyone. Our welcome to Stanley much appreciated.
Good-bye and good luck."

Colonial Secretary's Office,
STANLEY, Falkland Islands.
20th October, 1952.

Passed to News Reader 24/10/52

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at cover

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21st October, 52.

Sir,

His Honour the Officer Administering the Government has asked me to convey to you a message of thanks for the able manner in which the Council conducted the Colony dance held on the 17th of October, 1952, for the H.M.C.S. Ontario and H.M.S. St. Austell Bay.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

(Sgd) J.E. Briscoe

Acting Colonial Secretary.

Town Clerk,
Stanley Town Council,
STANLEY.

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TO...ADMIRALTY.

INFO...N.A. RIO DE JANEIRO. N.A. BUENOS AIRES. SNIPER.
P.7. R.N.O. BERARDA. GOVERNOR FALKLANDS.

FROM...C IN C A.W.I.

RESTRICTED PRIORITY.

MY 180325 NOT TO OR NEEDED BY ALL PARA 3.
PROPOSE THE FOLLOWING CRUISE FOR SNIPER. READ IN 4 COLUMNS.

<u>PLACE.</u>	<u>ARRIVE.</u>	<u>DEPART.</u>	<u>FUEL.</u>
RECEIVE.	-	27th OCT.	-
RIO DE JANEIRO.	29th OCT.?	6th NOV.	170 TONS.
SANTOS.	7th NOV.	14th NOV.	-
PORTO ALEGRE	17th NOV.	22nd NOV.	-
FORTA DEL ESTE.	24th NOV.	28th NOV.	-
MONTEVIDEO.	28th NOV.	1st DEC.	280 TONS.
FUERTO BELGRANO.	3rd DEC.	8th DEC.	-
PORT STANLEY.	11th DEC.	-	170 TONS.

2...IF APPROVED REQUEST MAIL DIVERSION ACCORDINGLY.

3...ADMIRALTY PASS TO N.A. BUENOS AIRES AND GOVERNOR FALKLANDS.

DIST:-C. N.O. C.Y.S. LOG.GOV.F.I. REST'D LOG.
"2A". TYPEL T.O.R...1137. F.J.S. 23/10/52.

//...222303Z. OCTOBER. '52.

YH J.S.
23/10
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E.A. P/L 14202 MON 24/10/52.

DIST... W. MARION . GOVERNOR PALM ISLANDS.
REFERENCE... SNIPES PROGRAMME.

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YOUR 222303. APPROVED.

UNCLASSIFIED PRIORITY.

INFO... P.7. R.N.O. BERGIDA N.A. RIO DE JANEIRO N.A, BUENOS AIRES.

TO... O IN O A.W.I. FROM... ADMIRALTY

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NAVAL MESSAGE.

For use in
Signal
Department
only

Originators Instructions
(Indication of Priority,
Intercept Group, etc.)

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Receipt Despatch

Operator

P.O.O.W.

Date

Office of the Commander-in-Chief,
America and West Indies Station,
H.M.S. SHEFFIELD.

13th August, 1952.

H.M.S. SNIPE.

The following programme for H.M.S. SNIPE is promulgated for information.

2. The visits in this programme will be of an informal nature.

William Andrewes

Vice-Admiral
Commander-in-Chief,
America and West Indies Station.

<u>PLACE.</u>	<u>ARRIVE.</u>	<u>LEAVE.</u>
Bermuda.	23rd August.	27th August.
Trinidad Area.	1st September.	18th September.
Belem	22nd September.	25th September.
Recife.	29th September.	3rd October.
Santos.	7th October.	11th October.
Montevideo.	14th October.	18th October.
Port Stanley.	21st October.	

Notes: (i) H.M.S. SNIPE is commanded by
Commander D.G.D. Hall-Wright, Royal Navy.

(ii) Particulars of H.M.S. SNIPE:-

Displacement - 2,000 tons Length - 299ft 6 inches.
Draught - 11ft.

Complement - 10 Officers 180 men.

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ACS Spoken
H.F.A. 9/9
10/9

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BS to 20. - ACS to
consider (I have not seen Fitz) possibility
of male passages on it from number
i.e. if we might get females on
the Fitzroy, by swapping some males
to the female. We must in any event
act promptly. P.

DISTRIBUTION.

The Secretary of the Admiralty.

His Excellency the Governor of Bermuda.

"	"	"	"	"	Trinidad & Tobago.
"	"	"	"	"	British Guiana.
"	"	"	"	"	British Honduras.
"	"	"	"	"	Jamaica.
"	"	"	"	"	Windward Islands.
"	"	"	"	"	Leeward Islands.
"	"	"	"	"	Falkland Islands.

His Excellency The British Ambassador, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.
" " " " " Montevideo, Uruguay.

British Joint Services Mission (Navy Staff), Washington.

Her Britannic Majesty's Consul, Montevideo.

"	"	"	"	Belem.
"	"	"	"	Recife.
"	"	"	"	Santos.

The British Naval Attache, Rio de Janeiro.

"	"	"	"	Buenos Aires.
"	"	"	"	Santiago de Chile.
"	"	"	"	Washington.

The Commander, Caribbean Area.

Officer Commanding Troops, Bermuda.

The Resident Naval Officer, Bermuda.

The Colonial Postmaster, Hamilton, Bermuda.

Commanding Officer's H.M. Ships, America and West Indies Squadron

The Captain, 7th Frigate Squadron.

A.7H