

DEF/GUN/1#14

NAVAL AND MILITARY.
(Miscellaneous)
No. 7/35

C.S.

1935

Capt. and Adjutant
F.I.D.F.

SUBJECT.

1935.

3 Pdr. Q.F. Hotchkiss Gun.

9th January, 1935

Previous Paper.

MINUTES.

Minute from Capt. & Adjutant F.I.D.F. of 9th Jany. 1935

Y/W

Rea D submitted.

It would be an advantage if this gun could be mounted in some suitable place and used as a saluting gun.

*a. J. J.
for
11/1/35*

Hon. Col. See.

Yes. It might be mounted on Victory Green. I understand that there are no blank charges for the gun but that Captain Allan can remove the shell from the cartridge case. If there is

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the slightest risk in removing
 the shell it should not be
 attempted. It will no doubt
 be possible to fix some blanks
 for saluting purposes when next
 we have a warship here.

MCH
 12. 1. 35

O.C. Defence Force

to note and will you please
 consult with the Hon. D.P.W. as to
 a suitable site for mounting the gun?

C. J. G. J.
 12/1/35

Hon. Col. Sec.

Capt Allen has seen me about this
 and the site suggested is to the West
 of Victory Green.

The work necessary is a concrete
 foundation with holding down bolts,
 and the area round the gun to be
 enclosed with a batten fence.

The estimated cost being.

Excavating 1 Cub yd	7. 0.
Concrete foundation 1 Cub yd 461 P.C.C.	4. 10. 0.
Holding down bolts	1-10-0.
Transport	10. 0.
Fencing and painting	5. 3. 0.
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Contingencies	15. 0.
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	£ 12-15-0.

I suggest that it will be charged to P.W.R. Minors II
 Ci. Rol. no. 17-1-35.

Y/B

Submitted for approval.

A. J. G. for C.S. 15/1/35

Hon. Col. Sec.

What does Captain Allan recommend? Is it necessary to fence the gun at a cost of £5 odd.

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Adjutant, Defence Force.

For your recommendations please.

A. J. G. for C.S. 15/1/35

The Hon Col Sec.

It was on my recommendation that the D.P.W. estimated for the fence. The gun is a valuable piece of Ordnance and if it is to be left mounted, a fence would be necessary to keep the children from tampering with it. As an alternative the "P" mounting could be left on the Base, the gun dismantled after use and taken back to the gun shed.

W. M. Allen Capt. Rtd. F.I.D.F. 15/1/35

J.M.
Submitted.

A.I.J.
for C.S.
15/1/35

Hon. Col. Sec.

I think it preferable
that the gun should remain
on its mounting. Work
suggested may proceed and
may be charged to P.W.R.
"minor works".

WCH

16. 1. 35

Hon. D.P.W.
Adjutant, Defence Sec.

No note for necessary
action please.

W.M.A.
16/1/35
A.I.J.
for C.S.
16/1/35

Hon. Col. Sec.

The work is in hand.

C. Roberts

D.P.W.

21-1-35

P.A.
27/1/35

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MINUTE.

(It is requested that, in any reference to this minute, the above Number and the date may be quoted.)

9th January 1975

To

From The Adjutant

Falkland Islands Defence Force
Stanley, Falkland Islands

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,
Stanley, Falkland Islands.

I beg to report that on the instructions of His Excellency The Acting Governor I have cleaned and overhauled the 3 Pdr Hotchkiss R.F. Naval Gun. The gun is in a very good state of repair and may be used for firing at any time.

W. M. Allen Captain & Adjutant.
F.I. Defence Force.