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Naval & Military. (Miscellaneous.)	
No.	14/41.

DEF/FID/5#16

1941.

Secretary of State.

SUBJECT.

1941.  
10th February.  
Previous Paper.

A SCHEME WHEREBY MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC  
ARE ASKED TO LEND OR GIVE PRISMATIC BINOCULARS.

MINUTES.

1. *Bircular Telegram No. 26 - from S. of S of 10/2/41.*

*O.C. Defence Force,*

*An appeal here I think would meet with little success as most people who had telescopes and binoculars placed them at the disposal of the Defence Force at the beginning of the war.*

*C. J. [Signature]  
10/2/41*

*Honourable Colonial Secretary.*

*I agree an appeal here would be fruitless. Submitted that S. of S. be told that we have already had an appeal for Defence Force.*

*C. J. O.C.D.F., 14. 2. 41.*

Subsequent Paper.

*Y/E. Res D submitted with draft reply.*

*C. J. [Signature]  
10/2/41*

Telegram No. 23. to S of S of 15/2/41. 2.

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TELEGRAM.

From Secretary of State for the Colonies.

To His Excellency the Governor.

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Despatched: 10th February, 19 41. Time: 2125.

Received: 11th February, 19 41. Time: 1400.

No. 26 Circular. After consultation with the Ministry of Supply it has been decided to invite the Colonial Empire to take part in a scheme whereby members of the public were asked to lend or give Prismatic Binoculars to the Fighting Services, but that in so far as the Colonies are concerned it would be more convenient to ask for gifts only.

2. Unless you see any objections please issue an appeal accordingly stressing the valuable aid which will thus be given to the Empire's War effort.

3. The Ministry require Binoculars of 6, 7 or 8 magnifications which are in good order. They should be sent in bulk to the Director of Instrument Production, Ministry of Supply, Great Westminster House, London S.W.1.

4. In order that Colonial Governments may have records and also that a message of thanks may be sent, donors should affix a label with their name and address on each pair.

SECRETARY OF STATE.

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From His Excellency the Governor.

To Secretary of State for the Colonies.

Despatched : 15th February, 19 41. Time : ..

Received : ... .. 19 41. Time ...

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No. 23. Your telegram No. 26 Circular all available  
Binoculars here already loaned to local Defence Force.

GOVERNOR.

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