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PROPOSED GARRISON - BILLETING.

Billeting Appeal Board.

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Extract of Minute from M.P. S/20/41 - sheet No. 3.

In connection with possible billeting the following ladies & gentlemen have agreed to sit on the Billeting Appeal Board, when and if such a Board becomes necessary, under the Chairmanship of Dr. J. E. Hamilton, J.P., D.Sc.

Miss M. E. Carey
Mrs. A. Newing
Revd. G. K. Lowe.
Revd. H. Drumm
Revd. W. F. McWhan.

Subsequent Paper.

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The public is thanked for their very excellent co-operation in recent surveys. Only five persons, about $1\frac{1}{2}\%$ of the population of householders, failed to realise the meaning of the billeting plan, and did not co-operate.

Until the proper and pertinent orders are made, no action is possible, but the great thing is that full preparations are now complete, and when the occasion arises details can be thrashed out and settled.

Until the details of the billeting are known, the Board will not meet, but it is in being and ready to function at short notice.

Please show the above to the Magistrate for his editing and agreement before issuing.

(Itld.) A.W.C.
28/4/42.

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S/20/41.

21st April,

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Sir,

With reference to the possible temporary billeting of troops in Stanley, I am directed to inform you that His Excellency the Governor proposes to appoint you to be Chairman of a Civil Billeting Control Board to deal with appeals from affected persons, and to enquire whether you are willing to accept such appointment.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,



for Colonial Secretary.

The Honourable
B.A. Cathie, J.P.,
STANLEY.

S/20/41.

21st April,

42.

Reverend Sir,

With reference to the possible temporary billeting of troops in Stanley, I am directed to inform you that His Excellency the Governor proposes to appoint you to be a member of a Civil Billeting Control Board to deal with appeals from affected persons, and to enquire whether you are willing to accept such appointment.

I am,

Reverend Sir,
Your obedient servant,



for Colonial Secretary.

The Reverend W. F. McWhan,

The Reverend G. K. Lowe,
STANLEY.

The Reverend H. Drumm.

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S/20/41.

21st April,

42.

Madam,

With reference to the possible temporary billeting of troops in Stanley, I am directed to inform you that His Excellency the Governor proposes to appoint you to be a member of a Civil Billeting Control Board to deal with appeals from affected persons, and to enquire whether you are willing to accept such appointment.

I am,
Madam,
Your obedient servant,

[Signature]
for Colonial Secretary.

T. D. Creamer, O.B.E.,
TANLEY.
Carey.

S/20/41.



Legal Adviser's Chambers,
STANLEY.
22nd April, 1942.

Sir,
With reference to your letter of the 21st of
April, 1942:-

I assume that the Civil Billeting Control Board will be the equivalent of a Billeting Tribunal as set up in the United Kingdom under The Defence (Billeting Tribunals) Rules 1939. In this case the Board will be, in part, a judicial tribunal and as I shall doubtless be the Legal Adviser to the tribunal it would be improper for me to form part of it also.

As such tribunals mostly deal with housewives: in my opinion a woman should be chosen as Chairman.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

R. P. Pathie.

Legal Adviser.

The Honourable
Colonial Secretary,
STANLEY.

Christ Church Cathedral

Port Stanley Falkland Islands

REV GERALD K. LOWE



April 21st, 1942

The Honourable,
The Colonial Secretary,
STANLEY.

Honourable Sir: Re S./20/ 41

In reply to yours of to-day's date. I shall be very pleased to accept His Excellency's appointment as a member of the Civil Billeting Control Board,

Yours Faithfully,

Gerald K. Lowe

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Ministers :

REV. W. F. McWHAN.

REV. E. J. BRAIN.

THE TABERNACLE,

PORT STANLEY,

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

22.4.42

Dear Sir,

This is just a note to inform you
that I am willing to become a member
of the Civil Billposting Control Board.

I am,

Yours Sincerely,

W. F. McWhan

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S/20/41.

22nd April,

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Sir,

With reference to the possible temporary billeting of troops in Stanley, I am directed to inform you that His Excellency the Governor proposes to appoint you to be Chairman of a Civil Billeting Control Board to deal with appeals from affected persons, and to enquire whether you are willing to accept such appointment.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,



for Colonial Secretary.

Dr. J. E. Hamilton,
STANLEY.

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St. Mary's Presbytery,
Stanley.

To the Acting Col. Secretary.

23rd. 1942.

Dear Lieutenant Aldridge,

Kindly convey my compliments to "His
Excellency", the Governor.

With reference to 'His Excellency's' proposal to nominate
me as a member of the Civil Billleting Control Board, please inform
Him, that if I can be of any service to the proposed Board, I shall
be pleased to accept the appointment.

Thanking you in anticipation thereof,

Yours faithfully,

H. F. Drumm

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STANLEY.

S/20/41.

23rd April, 1942.

Sir,

With reference to your letter of the 22nd of April, 1942, I have the honour to state that I am prepared to accept appointment as Chairman of ~~the~~ Control Civil Billeting Board.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

J. Hamilton.

The Honourable
Colonial Secretary,
STANLEY.

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HAMBLEDON,
STANLEY,
FALKLAND ISLANDS.

22nd April 1942.

S/20/41.

Sir,

With reference to your letter of 21st April I regret I am unable to accept an appointment on the Civil Billeting Control Board.

Without wishing to shirk any duties in War time I think it fair to point out that I already serve on the Board of Health, the local Red Cross Committee, and the newly-formed Women's Auxiliary Corps, and I found my health over-taxed by my house-to-house billeting census work on the latter Committee.

In these circumstances would you
be good enough to ask His Excellency
to accept my reluctant refusal ?

I am, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

M. S. Creamer.

The Honourable

The Colonial Secretary,

STANLEY.

Your Reference

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GENERAL POST OFFICE,
PORT STANLEY,
FALKLAND ISLANDS.

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.....22nd April,.....1942.

Sir,

With reference to your letter of the 21st April, I have the honour to inform you that I am willing to accept His Excellency's proposal to be a member of a Civil Billeting Control Board.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

M. Caney

The Honourable,

The Colonial Secretary,

Stanley.

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S/20/41.

24th April,

42.

Madam,

With reference to the possible temporary billeting of troop in Stanley, I am directed to inform you that His Excellency the Governor proposes to appoint you to be a member of a Civil Billeting Control Board to deal with appeals from affected persons, and to enquire whether you are willing to accept such appointment.

I am,
Madam,
Your obedient servant,

L.W. Aldridge,

for Colonial Secretary.

Mrs. A. Newing,
STANLEY.

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Port Stanley,
Falkland Islands.

25th April, 1942.

The Honourable,
The Colonial Secretary,
Stanley.

Sir,

I am in receipt of your letter No. S/20/41 of the 24th April. I am pleased to accept the appointment as a member of a Civil Billeting Control Board.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

D. Newing

(Mrs. A. Newing)

Chairman,

Billeting Appeal Board.

If convenient to you I should like to meet the Board to-morrow morning at the Conference Room in the Secretariat Building, and address them shortly - say, at 1100.

The Members of the Board are :-

Chairman: Dr. J. E. Hamilton

Miss M. Carey

Mrs. A. Hewing

Revd. G. K. Lowe

Revd. H. Drumm

Revd. W. T. McWhan.

Please confirm time &c., by telephone.

(Sgd.) A. W. Cardinall.

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Mr. Chairman, Ladies & Gentlemen,

First let me thank you all for volunteering to sit upon this Board. It is no easy work that you have undertaken and it will require possibly a strain on your public spirit not too comfortable to bear.

The main duty laid upon you is to hear complaints, ^{iron} smooth out difficulties and generally to be the buffer between the Military and civilian population in so far as billeting and its hundred problems are concerned.

It is not your duty to find billets but to see that billeting works smoothly. However you have always to bear in mind that billets have to be found, so that refusal or unwillingness or other difficulties can only be regarded with that consideration ever before you.

Probably you will decide this morning on your procedure, quorum, dates and times of meeting, etc., etc. Unfortunately I am still unable to tell you much.

There will be two phases in this matter of billeting.

Within a very short time unless something quite unforeseen arises there will arrive here a first contingent of between 250 and 300 men. I understand that complete arrangements have been made on a voluntary basis, and if this is so there should be very little cause or reason for any complaints to be submitted to you.

This contingent will at once begin the building of the camp or camps and it will be followed very soon by the main body of men - details of which I am ordered not yet to divulge.

When this second body arrives there will be considerable congestion and inconvenience. But that will only be a temporary state of affairs. And that is a point which you must also always bear in mind.

I expect that with the first arrivals there will come a small advanced unit to arrange these later billets, and if that is so there will be ample time for you on this Board to co-operate with that billeting officer.

I am sure there will arise the question of remuneration. This is a problem which I have no doubt you will agree upon, remembering always that we are at war and not out to make money from the Imperial Government which has sent these men to guard us.

Again I thank you for volunteering. I am confident that you will do everything to help and smoothe out difficulties and worries that are in the circumstances inevitable.
