

C.S.

ACCOUNTS  
(Miscellaneous.)

WAR/W2H/5#1

19 40.

No. 111/40.

H.E. the Governor.

SUBJECT.

19 40.

17th June.

Previous Paper.

PROPOSAL TO TRANSFER TO THE IMPERIAL  
GOVERNMENT STOCK TO THE REDEMPTION VALUE  
OF £50,000 FOR THE PURCHASE OF AIRCRAFT.

MINUTES.

1. Telegram to S. of S. No. 67 of 17. 6. 40.  
Public Notice of the 18th June, 1940.

1A  
(5) Telegram to Hon. R.C. Pole. Evans and Webster, Fox Bay of 19.6.40.

1A  
A.C.S. -  
Telegram Pole. Evans as to whether the W. 7<sup>th</sup>  
are to proceed from.

20/6/40

(6) Telegram to Hon. R.C. Pole. Evans of 20.6.40.

1A  
7. Telegram from Hon. R.C. Pole. Evans of 20.6.40

Subsequent Paper. 8.

Telegram from S. of S. No. 69 of 20/6/40.

13 pictures to John Smith  
30/3/78 dm

Telegram No. 71 to S. of S. of 26.6.40. (9)  
" " 72 " " " 27.6.40. (10)

Copy of Resolution passed in Leg. Co. 26/6/40. 11.

Extract from Minutes of Meeting of the Legislative Council held on the 26th June, 1940.

.....  
The Honourable D. W. Roberts stated that he was fully in favour of the transfer but asked whether it would not be possible for a like amount to be transferred from "Discovery" funds.

His Excellency replying said that money in the Research and Development Fund could not be drawn upon in this manner as it had been collected for the specific purpose of Research work and investigation in connection with the whaling industry.

The Honourable V. A. H. Biggs, on behalf of the public said that he wished to support whole heartedly the motion and had hoped that a larger sum could have been offered to the Imperial Government. He realized, however, that that was not possible on account of the financial position of the Colony. He added that the public heartily supported the proposed transfer.

The Resolution was agreed to unanimously.

*G. I. Stewart*  
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

Telegram No. 74 from S. of S. of 3.7.40.

Address by Hon. A. W. Cardinal, C.M.G., of 3/7/40.

Telegram to R. C. Pole-Evans Esq., O.B.E. of 12/7/40.

S. of S. Telegram, No. 80 of 15/7/40.

P.H.  
(12)

13-14.

(15)

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Inside Minute Paper.

17. Telegram No. 80 to S. of S. of 16.7.40.

P.A.

(18) Telegram No. 82 from S. of S. of 24.7.40.

(19) Telegram to Westers and R.C. Pole-Evans, Esq. of 26.7.40.

Y.E.

I attach a suggested reply already worded G.T.C. for your approval:

"Your telegram of 22 minutes of Aircrew Production's message published here and greatly appreciated by the Government"

26/11/40

(20) Telegram No. 82 to S. of S. of 26.7.40.

21. Letter from Crown Agents of 31/7/40.

To note (21) which you note down is practically identical with (10) in spite of (10) "How much are we losing in animal interest?"

20/11/40

Notes

Noted.

(2) The loss to the nearest £ amounts to £1453, please.

20/11/40

Y.E.

For your information. I cannot yet work out the cash cost until I see the C.A. for September - but they will be I estimate between £47,500 + £47,750. I base this on the loss of interest which previously I placed at about £1429 p.a.

3/11

in preparation in way, means



2/1/40

Despatch No. 61 from S. of S. of 26.12.40.

22-25.

Y/E

Submitted as requested.

C. J. P. S.

24/3/41



Letter to Squadron Leader H. J. Burton of 30/3/41. 26.

Y/E

Letter submitted for signature.

P. A.

C. J. P. S.  
28/3/41

Circular Telegram Saving from S. of S. of 17/4/41. 27. See 86/40

3 p.m. from S. of S. of 19/6/41.

28-29.

Copy of Red 28 sent to News Weekly.

C. J. P. S.  
29/8/41 P. A.

3 p.m. from S. of S. of 28. 1. 42.

30.

Y/E

Referred for your direction, pl.

P. A.  
16/4/42.

Publish + display at T. H. & how much that you  
are doing

V. A. P. S.  
16/11/42

Found in file 25/2/43.  
EC

EC Can you arrange for the display of  
 photographs in the Town Hall, please?  
 L.H.A.  
 18/4/43.

EE

was this ever done? If not I think a  
 section might be exhibited on the glass-fronted  
 board outside with an appropriate caption.

There were ~~about~~ paid for with the  
 £50,000 gift from the Falkland Islands  
 Government.

You can help to buy more gun planes  
 or other weapons by investing in the  
 SAVINGS BANK.

KB  
 2/3

Honorable Colonial Secretary.

No. I am having six prints  
 exhibited in the glass case outside South  
 entrance of T.H. with your caption added.  
 The rest of the photos & these six will be  
 framed & hung in the T.H.

I assume you will arrange for  
 broadcast called for by H.E.

W.S.E.  
 8. 11. 43

A.C.S

no need to head east at this late stage.

KB  
 18/3.

p.a.

DECODE.

TELEGRAM. Sent.

*From.* His Excellency the Governor, Falkland Islands,

*To.* Secretary of State, London.

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*Despatched :* 17th June 19 40 *Time :*

*Received :* 19 *Time :*

No.67 Subject to your approval I am proposing to transfer to the Imperial Government stock to the redemption value of £50,000. Details will follow. Public opinion will be consulted on your approval being obtained and I am sure that this will be favourable. Executive Council approves unanimously.

G.T.C.

(14)

PUBLIC NOTICE.

His Excellency the Governor believes that he would be correctly interpreting the unanimous wish of the people of the Falkland Islands by offering to the Imperial Government on behalf of the Colony the sum of £50,000 for the purchase of aircraft.

The Colony has no Cash balances with which to make this grant but does own investments which can in such a crisis as the present be handed over to the Imperial Government.

It may be stated that the proceeds of the new income tax are expected to be sufficient to enable the above grant to be made without affecting either the present standard of living or the present state of employment.

Members of the public are requested to make immediate representations to the Colonial Secretary if they disagree with the proposed grant. Failing such representations it will be assumed that all heartily support the proposal herein.



Colonial Secretary.

*to be broadcast.*

STANLEY,  
18th June, 1940.

# GOVERNMENT TELEGRAPH SERVICE.

FALKLAND ISLANDS AND DEPENDENCIES.

SENT.

Number

Office of Origin

Words

Handed in at

Date

19. 6. 40.

To R. G. POLE-EVANS, WESTERS  
PORT HOWARD AND FOX BAY.

GOVERNOR BELIEVES WOULD BE CORRECTLY INTERPRETING UNANIMOUS WISH  
PEOPLE FALKLAND ISLANDS BY OFFERING IMPERIAL GOVERNMENT BEHALF OF  
COLONY £50,000 FOR PURCHASE AIRCRAFT.

COLONY HAS NO CASH BALANCES MAKE THIS GRANT BUT OWNS INVEST-  
MENTS WHICH CAN IN SUCH CRISIS AS PRESENT BE HANDED OVER TO IMPERIAL  
GOVERNMENT.

PROCEEDS NEW INCOME TAX EXPECTED BE SUFFICIENT ENABLE GRANT  
BE MADE WITHOUT AFFECTING PRESENT STANDARD LIVING OR PRESENT STATE  
EMPLOYMENT.

MEMBERS PUBLIC REQUESTED MAKE IMMEDIATE REPRESENTATIONS TO ME  
IF THEY DISAGREE WITH PROPOSED GRANT. FAILING SUCH REPRESENTATIONS  
WILL BE ASSUMED ALL HEARTILY SUPPORT PROPOSAL.

COLONIAL SECRETARY.

Time



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20. 6. 40.

To

R. C. POLE-EVANS

PORT HOWARD.

MY TELEGRAM 19TH PLEASE TELEGRAPH WHETHER WESTERS AGREE TO PROPOSED  
GRANT.

COLONIAL SECRETARY.

Telephoned to Telegraph Office 15.35 on 20. 6. 40.

Time

DECODE.

TELEGRAM.

From The Hon. R. C. Pole-Evans, O.B.E.,

To The Colonial Secretary.

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Despatched: 20th June, 19 40. Time: 1800.

Received: 22nd June, 19 40. Time: 1000.

*Red 5*  
Your telegram 19th June was received Midday. today. All  
Managers that I have got in touch with appreciate His  
Excellency's proposal and heartily agree.

POLE EVANS.

DECODE.

TELEGRAM.

No. 369

From Secretary of State, London,

To His Excellency the Governor, Falkland Islands.

Despatched : 24th ~~July~~ June 19 40 Time : 11.45.

Received : 19 Time :

Red ①  
No. 69 Your telegram No. 67 Transfer of Funds to Imperial Government.  
I welcome your proposals I assume matter will be brought before the  
Legislative Council by formal resolution in response to which I  
shall be glad to send message for publication.

G.T.C.

TELEGRAM.

From His Excellency the Governor,

To Secretary of State for the Colonies.

Despatched: 26th June, 19 40. Time: ...

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

*Red 8.*  
No. 71. 1. With reference to your telegram No. 69 the  
Legislative Council at a meeting held today passed the  
following resolution unanimously :-

"Whereas the Colony of the Falkland Islands is  
desirous of sharing in the burdens cast upon the Imperial  
Government by the War;

Now, therefore, this Council resolves, on behalf  
of the people of the Colony of the Falkland Islands, that  
Stock to the redemption value of £50,000 shall be transferred  
from the Colony to the Imperial Government as a contribution  
towards the purchase of aircraft for use in His Majesty's  
Forces".

2. I would add that the people of the Colony concur  
with all their hearts in this gift as a token of their  
profound loyalty and admiration towards the mother country.

GOVERNOR.

TELEGRAM.

From His Excellency the Governor,

To Secretary of State for the Colonies.

Despatched: 26th June, 1940. Time: ...

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

No. 72. With reference to your telegram No. 69 of the 24th June the Legislative Council met this morning and unanimously resolved to transfer to the Imperial Government stock to the redemption value of £50,000. Unofficial members of the Legislative Council spoke wholly in favour and expressed a hope that it could be possible to give more. I propose to make the transfer as follows, begins :-

Funding Loan 1956/61 total £31,037. 11. 9 of which Note Security Fund £2,893. 1. 3, Land Sales Fund £16,612.12.1, Reserve Fund £11,531. 18. 5; Commonwealth of Australia 2 $\frac{3}{4}$ % 1941/43 total £4,255. 19. 10 ex Reserve Fund; New Zealand 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ % 1939/45 total £4,085. 12. 5. ex Reserve Fund; Gold Coast 6% 1945/70 total £568. 18. 5. ex Savings Bank Fund; Leeds 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ % 1957/60 total £10,000 ex Land Sales Fund; these transfers from Note Security, Land Sales and Savings Bank funds will be made good by transfer of same value of stock from Reserve Fund. It will be noted that the total transfer in stock amounts to £49,948. 2. 5. So that there will be £51. 17. 7. short of the stocks transferred. This can be made up out of the balance of Reserve Fund stock after the transfer to the other funds leaving thereby a balance of stock in the Reserve Fund of £1,530. 5. 9. Despatch follows with full details and requesting you to instruct accordingly Crown Agents.

GOVERNOR.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

R E S O L U T I O N.

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WHEREAS the Colony of the Falkland Islands is desirous of sharing in the burdens cast upon the Imperial Government by the War;

NOW, THEREFORE, this Council resolves, on behalf of the people of the Colony of the Falkland Islands, that Stock to the redemption value of £50,000 shall be transferred from the Colony to the Imperial Government as a contribution towards the purchase of aircraft for use in His Majesty's Forces.

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26 June 1940

DECODE.

TELEGRAM.

No. 33

From Secretary of State, London,

To His Excellency the Governor, ~~Falk~~ Falkland Islands.

Despatched : 3rd July 19 40 Time : 05.58.

Received : 19 Time :

*Red 9.*  
No. 74 Your telegram No. 71 Please convey to the Legislative Council and people of the Falkland Islands the deep appreciation of His Majesty's Government for their generous contribution for the purchase of aircraft. I have been much impressed by the manner in which the Falkland Islands have shouldered the very substantial burden of the cost of local defences and I am particularly gratified at this further evidence of the Colony's determination in this grave hour to play its full share in the prosecution of the war to a victorious conclusion.

G. T. C.

Ladies and Gentlemen,

I am not proposing to talk to you at any length this evening. I am merely anxious to read to you a most gratifying message to you from the Secretary of State for the Colonies.

On June 26th there was a meeting of the Legislative Council when a resolution was passed offering £50,000 worth of Stock to the Imperial Government. That day His Excellency the Governor telegraphed to the Secretary of State as follows :-

"The Legislative Council at a meeting held today passed the following resolution unanimously :-

Whereas the Colony of the Falkland Islands is desirous of sharing in the burdens cast upon the Imperial Government by the War;

Now, therefore, this Council resolves, on behalf of the people of the Colony of the Falkland Islands, that Stock to the redemption value of £50,000 shall be transferred from the Colony to the Imperial Government as a contribution towards the purchase of aircraft for use in His Majesty's Forces.

I would add that the people of the Colony concur with all their hearts in this gift as a token of their profound loyalty and admiration towards the mother country."

Last night most of you heard over the Wireless the acknowledgement but this morning a telegram was received from the Secretary of State amplifying that acknowledgement. It reads as follows :-

"Please convey to the Legislative Council and people of the Falkland Islands the deep appreciation of His Majesty's Government for their generous contribution for the purchase of aircraft. I have been much impressed by the manner in which the Falkland Islands have shouldered the very substantial burden of the cost of local defences and I am particularly gratified at this further evidence of the

Colony's/



Colony's determination in this grave hour to play its full share in the prosecution of the war to a victorious conclusion."

That ends what is all I wanted to say tonight. I am sure you will all be pleased at the words of Lord Lloyd and to know that our gift has been genuinely appreciated and that your war effort is recognised and valued.

GOOD-NIGHT.

# GOVERNMENT TELEGRAPH SERVICE.

FALKLAND ISLANDS AND DEPENDENCIES.

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|              |                  |       |              | 12. 7. 40. |
| To           |                  |       |              |            |
| POLE-EVANS,  |                  |       |              |            |
| PORT HOWARD. |                  |       |              |            |

Red 1. YOUR TELEGRAM 20TH JUNE FOLLOWING HAS BEEN RECEIVED FROM SECRETARY OF STATE BEGINS:-

"PLEASE CONVEY TO THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL AND PEOPLE OF THE FALKLAND ISLANDS THE DEEP APPRECIATION OF HIS MAJESTY'S GOVERNMENT FOR THEIR GENEROUS CONTRIBUTION FOR THE PURCHASE OF AIRCRAFT. I HAVE BEEN MUCH IMPRESSED BY THE MANNER IN WHICH THE FALKLAND ISLANDS HAVE SHOULDERED THE VERY SUBSTANTIAL BURDEN OF THE COST OF LOCAL DEFENCES AND I AM PARTICULARLY GRATIFIED AT THIS FURTHER EVIDENCE OF THE COLONY'S DETERMINATION IN THIS GRAVE HOUR TO PLAY ITS FULL SHARE IN THE PROSECUTION OF THE WAR TO A VICTORIOUS CONCLUSION."

REGRET THAT THROUGH A MISUNDERSTANDING ON MY PART WESTERS WERE NOT NOTIFIED EARLIER.

COLONIAL SECRETARY.

Time

DECODE.

TELEGRAM.

No. 248

From Secretary of State, London,

To His Excellency the Governor, Falkland Islands.

Despatched: 15th July

19 40 Time: 05.45.

Received :

19 72 Time 26

Rec 10  
No. 180 with reference to your telegram No. 80 June 28th If investment as suggested be transferred to Imperial Government from Note Securities Savings Bank and Land Sales Funds such transfer must be made good by transfer from Reserve Fund investment of same market value not same nominal value. Consequently the balance remaining in the Reserve Fund will considerably exceed the £1530.5.9 mentioned - matter is further complicated by the fact that £4255. 19. 10 Australian 2 $\frac{3}{4}$ % stock was exchanged for £4209. 6. 5 Australian 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ % stock 1942/44 on February 1st. Suggest details be left to the Crown Agents who will carry out your instructions as far as possible.

G. T. C.

(17)

DECODE.

TELEGRAM.

*From* His Excellency the Governor,

*To* Secretary of State for the Colonies.

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*Despatched:* 16th July, 19 40. *Time:* ...

*Received:* ... .. 19 ... *Time:* ...

No. 80. As suggested by your telegram of July 15th No. 80.  
transfer of £50,000 stock I should be grateful if you would  
ask the Crown Agents for the Colonies accordingly.

GOVERNOR.

DECODE.

TELEGRAM.

No.403 From Secretary of State, London,

To His Excellency the Governor, Falkland Islands.

Despatched: 24th July 19 40 Time: 06.45.

Received: 19 Time:

*Red 9.*  
No. 82 your telegram No.71 Following for you from Minister of Aircraft Production

Will you please convey to the Legislative Council and people of the Falkland Islands the profound sense of gratitude and immense encouragement their gift brings to me. It is more than a contribution it is an act of sacrifice and faith in an hour of crisis for our race in every continent and ocean. With the money we are enabled to add ten formidable fighter aircraft to our ~~squadrons~~ squadrons. You help us to protect the safety of our homes and to ensure the future of your Islands in peace and freedom.

Beaverbrook

G.T.e

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26. 7. 40.

To

WESTERS  
FOX BAY  
AND  
POLE-EVANS,  
PORT HOWARD.

IN CONNECTION WITH THE GIFT OF \$50,000 FROM THIS COLONY  
TOWARDS THE PURCHASE OF AIRCRAFT FOR THE IMPERIAL GOVERNMENT  
THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE HAS BEEN RECEIVED FROM THE MINISTER  
OF AIRCRAFT PRODUCTION, LORD BEAVERBROOK :--

"WILL YOU PLEASE CONVEY TO THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL AND PEOPLE  
OF THE FALKLAND ISLANDS THE PROFOUND SENSE OF GRATITUDE AND  
IMMENSE ENCOURAGEMENT THEIR GIFT BRINGS TO ME. IT IS MORE THAN  
A CONTRIBUTION IT IS AN ACT OF SACRIFICE AND PAIN IN AN HOUR  
OF CRISIS FOR OUR RACE IN EVERY CONTINENT AND OCEAN. WITH THE  
MONEY WE ARE ENABLED TO ADD TEN FORMIDABLE FIGHTER AIRCRAFT TO  
OUR SQUADRONS. YOU HELP US TO PROTECT THE SAFETY OF OUR HOMES  
AND TO ENSURE THE FUTURE OF YOUR ISLANDS IN PEACE AND FREEDOM."

COLONIAL SECRETARY.

Time

DECODE.

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TELEGRAM.

*From* His Excellency the Governor,

*To* Secretary of State for the Colonies.

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*Despatched:* 24th July, 19 40. *Time:* ...

*Received:* ... .. 19 ... *Time:* ...

No. 82. Your telegram No. 82 Minister of Aircraft

Production's message published here and greatly appreciated  
by all.

GOVERNOR.

*Red 18.*

DECODE.

TELEGRAM.

*From* His Excellency the Governor,

*To* Secretary of State for the Colonies.

*Despatched:* 24th July, 19 40. *Time:* ...

*Received:* ... .. 19 ... *Time:* ...

No. 82. Your telegram No. 82 Minister of Aircraft

Production's message published here and greatly appreciated  
by all.

GOVERNOR.



ALL COMMUNICATIONS  
TO BE ADDRESSED TO THE  
CROWN AGENTS FOR THE COLONIES.  
THE FOLLOWING REFERENCE AND THE  
DATE OF THIS LETTER BEING QUOTED.



21.

4, MILLBANK,

LONDON, S.W. 1.

A/930

TELEGRAMS { INLAND: "CROWN SOWEST LONDON."  
OVERSEAS: "CROWN LONDON."  
TELEPHONE: ABBEY 7730.

31st July, 1940

*Repls. 10-17. Sir,*  
I have the honour to refer to the Governor's telegrams dated 28th June and 17th July to the Secretary of State for the Colonies regarding the war gift of stocks to the redemption value of £50,000 and to inform you that the undermentioned Securities have been transferred from the Falkland Islands Reserve Fund under date 29th July 1940.

| £      | s. | d. |   |
|--------|----|----|---|
| 31,037 | 11 | 9  | Funding Loan 2½% Stock 1956/61              |
| 4,209  | 6  | 5  | Commonwealth of Australia 3½% Stock 1942/44 |
| 4,085  | 12 | 5  | New Zealand 3½% Stock 1939/45               |
| 568    | 18 | 5  | Gold Coast 6% Stock 1945/70                 |
| 10,000 | -  | -  | Leeds 3½% Stock 1957/60                     |
| 98     | 11 | -  | New Zealand 3% Stock 1952/55                |
| <hr/>  |    |    |   |
| 50,000 | -  | -  |   |
| <hr/>  |    |    |   |

The necessary exchanges of Securities between the Reserve Fund and the Note Security Fund, Land Sales Account and Savings Bank Account will be found recorded in our Accounts for the quarter ending 30th September 1940.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

*Robert L. L. L.*

for Crown Agents.

The Colonial Secretary,  
Falkland Islands.

11/2

JG

Reference to previous correspondence :-

Secretary of State's despatch No.  
Governor's

of \_\_\_\_\_

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

No. 61.



DOWNING STREET,

26 Dec. 1940.

Sir,

I have the honour to transmit to you, for your information, copies of the paper noted below on the subject of **the Falkland Islands Presentation of a Spitfire.**

I have the honour to be,  
Sir,  
Your most obedient  
humble servant,  
  
LLOYD.

The Officer Administering  
the Government.

| Name and Date.     | Subject.   |
|--------------------|--|
| 12 November, 1940. | Letter from Squadron Leader H. F. Burten, enclosing a letter for the Governor of the Falkland Islands (original copies.) |
| 21 November, 1940. | Letter to Squadron Leader H. F. Burton.  |

From:- Officer Commanding No.616  
Squadron,  
Kirtton-Lindsey.

To:- His Majesty's Governor of the  
Falkland Island,  
c/o Colonial Office,  
Downing Street,  
LONDON, S.W.1.

Date:- 12th November, 1940.

Subject:- GIFT OF SPITFIRE.

Your Excellency,

I have the honour to inform you that Spitfire No.6, given by the Falkland Islands, has now arrived in my Squadron. I am using it myself to ensure that it is looked after as well as possible. So far it has seen no action, but when that comes along I shall let you know.

Please accept our most sincere thanks for this gift, which, I can assure you, is much appreciated, and which will be put to the best possible use.

I have etc.

(Sdg.) H.F. BURTON.

Squadron Leader.

(27)

Officer Commanding, No.616  
Squadron,  
Kirton-Lindsey.

To:- The Permanent Secretary,  
Colonial Office,  
Downing Street,  
LONDON, S.W.1.

Date: 12th November, 1940.

Subject:- GIFT OF SPITFIRE.

Sir,

I should be greatly obliged  
if you would kindly forward the  
enclosed letter to the Governor of  
the Falkland Islands. The letter is  
open for your inspection.

I have etc.,

(Sgd.) H.F. Barton.  
Squadron Leader,

Colonial Office,  
Downing Street,  
S.W.1.

21 November, 1940

221/12204/40.

Dear

We are forwarding to the Governor of the Falkland Islands the letter you kindly thought of writing to him on the 12th November about the Spitfire given by the Colony. We are sure that your letter will be most welcome, and that both the Governor and the people of the Falkland Islands will be delighted to know that the Spitfire is in good hands and that they may expect further news of its exploits.

Yours sincerely,

(SS) *W. H. B. Burton*

SQUADRON LEADER H.F. BURTON, R.A.F.



FALKLAND ISLANDS.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

STANLEY.

31st March, 1941.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of  
and to thank you for your letter of the 12th of  
November, 1940, about our Spitfire No. 6.

I and all the people of the Colony wish you  
good luck and good hunting with her and safe  
landings until Victory comes.

Yours sincerely,

THOMAS W. CARDWELL

SQUADRON LEADER H.F. BURTON,

ROYAL AIR FORCE.

*Recd. 24.*

5th June, 1941.

No. 616 Squadron,  
Royal Air Force,  
Westhampnett,  
Nr. Chichester,  
Sussex,  
England.

Your Excellency,

*Red 26*

I have the honour to acknowledge and to thank you for your letter of the 31st March, 1941. You will be pleased to hear that Falkland Islands No. 6 has just shot its first enemy aircraft down - a M.E. 109 in the Straits of Dover.

I hope that it will have many more successes, and will keep you informed of them.

I have the honour to be,  
Sir,  
Your obedient servant.

*U. J. Burton*

Squadron Leader.

His Excellency The Governor,  
Government House,  
Stanley,  
Falkland Islands.

13204/10/41.



5.6.41. The Secretary of State for the Colonies presents his compliments to the Officer Administering the Government of the Falkland Islands and has the honour to transmit to him a letter addressed to him by the Squadron Leader of No.616 Squadron, Royal Air Force, reporting on the success of aircraft "Falkland Islands No. 6" in shooting down its first enemy aeroplane.

Colonial Office,  
Downing Street, S.W.1.  
19<sup>th</sup> June, 1941.



13204/10/41.



The Under Secretary of State for the Colonies presents his compliments to the Colonial Secretary, Falkland Islands, and is directed to transmit two photographs each of the ten aircraft named "Falkland Islands I - X", which have been received from the Ministry of Aircraft Production.

These are Spitfire aircraft powered with Rolls Royce Merlin engines. They have a speed of approximately 400 miles per hour and are armed with eight machine guns.

Colonial Office,  
Downing Street,  
S.W.1.

28 January, 1942.

WAR/W2H/S#1-01



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WAR / W2H / S #1 - 03



WAR 1024 / 5 # 1-04

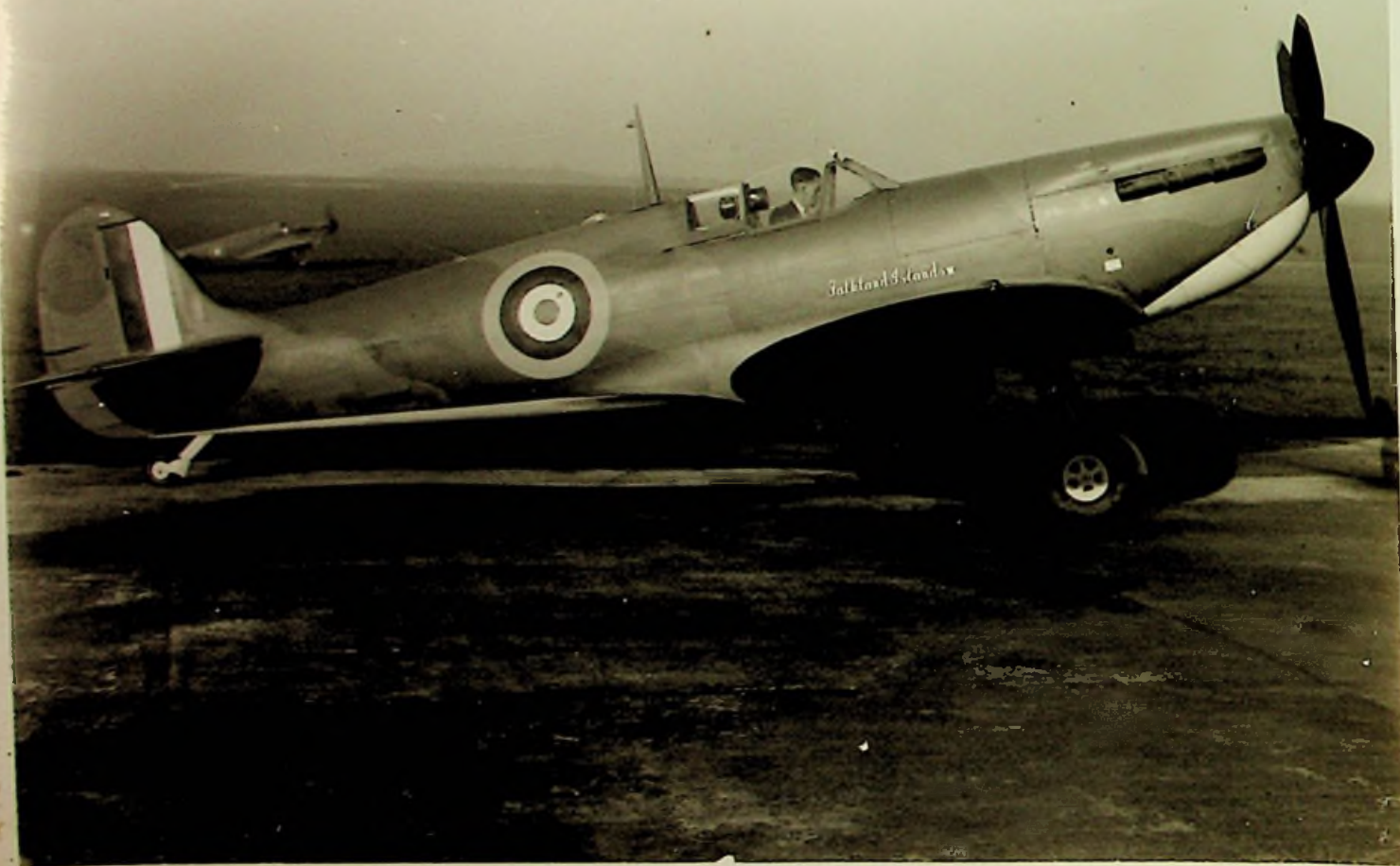




WAR 1W24/5#1-05



WAR/W2H/S#1-06





WAR / W2H / S#1-07





WAR/W2H/S#1-08



WAR/W24/S#1-09





WAR / W2H / S# 1-10



WAR/W2H/541-16





WAR/W2H/5#1-12



WAR / W2H / S# 1-13





WAR/W2H/S#1-14



WAR | W2H | 5#1-15





NOTICE.

Colonial Secretary's Office

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

20th April, 1942.

By this last mail photographs of the ten aircraft given by the Falkland Islands were received. They are Spitfires powered with Rolls Royce Merlin engines, ~~and~~ have a speed of approximately 400 miles per hour, and are armed with eight machine guns.

The photographs are on display in \_\_\_\_\_  
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