

C.S.

SECRET.

WAR/W2H/6#6

1941.

No.

S/20/41.

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S. of S. Telegram,
No. 139.

SUBJECT.

1941.

27th December.

JAPAN -

Probability of attempted capture of
Falkland Islands by -

Previous Paper.

MINUTES.

1. S. of S. Telegram No. 139 of 27/12/41.
2. Telegram to S. of S. No. 156 of 28/12/41.
3. " " " " 158 of 30/12/41.
- 4-6. Despatch, Secret to S. of S. of 9/1/42
7. S. of S. Secret Telegram No. 9 of 12/1/42.
8. Telegram from S. of S. No. 10 of 15/1/42.
9. Notes by O.C. Troops 15/1/42.
- 10-11. " " Non-Suit.
12. " " Manager, S. Seco. "
- 13-14. Telegram No. 6 of 16/1/42 to S. of S.
15. Broadcast by His Excellency of 16/1/42.
16. Telegram No. 10 to S. of S. of 17/1/42.
17. Minute from O.C. Troops. 20/1/42.
- 18-21. " " " " 21/1/42.

Subsequent Paper.

YH
Reas 18-21 submitted.
C. S. of S.
21/1/42

O.C. Troops

Thanks.

I agree with you. Site (b) is far & away the best of the three.

Could you please arrange with E.E. for a paper survey so that we can draw up piping & requirements with the least possible delay.

AB 22/1/42

See M.P. 10/42.

17-21 to open new M/P. Garrison, Camp for.

Telegram No. 40 from S. of S. of 11/3/42.

1744 ✓

Leg. Advisor says this is MP.
to make use of could use MP.
telegram which is attached to
Evangelion 13/11/42

Please return 13/3/42

Legal advisor

to note:

AB 13/3/42

H. B. S.

Thank you - I have already used the text of the telegram.

14-3-42.

AB P.A.

Copy of notice broadcast on 20/3/42.

45.

Y.E.
Draft disp. submitted, please.

W.A.
Hicks
27/3/42

46-50. Secret disp. to S. of S. of 27/3/42.

Y.E.
Respatch submitted for signature, pl.

W.A.
Hicks
27/3/42.

51. Telegram No. 57 from S. of S. of 11/4/42.

Y.E.
Referred, pl. N.F.A. in meantime?

W.A.
Hicks
13/4/42

p.a.

52. Minute from Billeting Officer of 17/4/42

Y.E.
Referred, pl.

W.A.
Hicks
20/4/42

⑧ will give Maj. Woodgate the an indication of the number of the garrison employed and ⑤① the nature of the force.

The Billeting Officer has not yet finished his work in my opinion. He should have prepared & in complete readiness, billeting detail for each of the three forces in ①. There must be in readiness a company of suitable size to guide the billeting officer of the incoming garrison to the houses, furnishing him with exact details & numbers for each house. After that any checks are up to the incoming.

Arrangements must be so perfect that immediately the parade of the incoming troops is complete, every single man of them will be marched to his quarters, guided by the Def Force company mentioned - & this should not take more than 20 minutes after the parade has taken place.

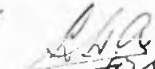
The incoming cannot know the plan of Port Stanley - & therefore we act for them in the first instance.

Adjustments & changes are thought the concern of the incoming.

 21/IV/42

OC Troops & Billiting Officer
necessary action, please.

To note and for


21/IV/42

Known to Colonial Secretary.

His Excellency's Commands note a necessary action is being taken.

With a view to saving the time of the N.C.O.s who will doubtless be asked numberless questions at each house, I propose that either a note be made of these or residents be told to write their questions to me but in any case they will be replied to each evening over the broadcast system. This will ensure greater consistency in the answers & in many cases give an answer which the N.C.O. is quite unable to give.

May His Excellency's approval be sought urgently please?

Copy broadcast attached

 22.IV.42.
O.C. Troops.

Y.C.
Will you approve of proposed broadcast,
please? AGS
22/4/42.

Why is this necessary? The L.C. has obtained the information obtainable & surely on that a scheme can be prepared in the office.

We have to deal with local circumstances which we cannot alter & nothing can be gained by continuous wounding of the civilian population.

The point is - there are three schemes, one of which has to be put into force if a garrison is sent here. There is no question except that of our having in any case to meet that of bolting & without any hope of attention to. The troops won't cut their cloth as they find it.

The idea was a simple one - information was gathered by the L.C. then; or that the three schemes were to have been prepared; the Appeal Ctee would have been appointed; scheme A published & so on.

(i.e. 500 men)

AGS
22/4/42

O/C. Troops & B/O.

Yb you, please.

AGS
22/4/42.

Honourable Colonial Secretary

Noted Thank you

AGS O/C Troops
22.4.42

Broadcasting Notice from Headquarters of 22/4/42. 54.

Letter from Hon. B. Austin Cathie of 22/4/42. 55.

Letter to Hon. B.A. Cathie of 21/4/42. 56

Letter to Rev. G.K. Lane, Rev. W.F. Newham, Rev. H. Drummond of 21/4/42 57.

Letter to Mr. Brewer, G.B.E. Miss Boney of 21/4/42. 58.

Letter from Rev. G.K. Lane of 21/4/42. 59

Letter from Rev. W.F. Newham of 22/4/42. 60.

Letter to Dr. J.E. Hamilton of 22/4/42. 61.

Letter from ^{Rev.} Father Drummond of 23/4/42. 62.

Minutes from O.C. Groups of 23/4/42. 63

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Referred, pl.

L.A.
23/4/42

Until number of proposed garrison are known
n.f.a. is necessary; no should detail
of lettering be issued.

The procedure will be as follows & so
inform Maj. W. -

As soon as we know whether 500, 1000 or
1500 are going, (a) the schemes A or B or C.
for the lettering will be made known with
other pertinent details, (b) the necessary defence
regulation issued by me (this with fix prices), (c) the
Appeal Board set up & a clerk to it appointed,
(d) the result notified to B. Office

It must be remembered that we are not
in the U.K. with almost unlimited resources.
but in a tiny place where, if 1500 men come,
1500 men have to be accommodated - & the
only thing to be borne in mind is to cause
as little inconvenience as possible.

Are the schemes prepared?

[Signature] 23/4/42

Letter from Dr. J.E. Hamilton of 23/4/42. 64.

C.S.O. No. S/20/41

Inside Minute Paper.

65. Letter from Mr J. D. Greaves, G.B.E. of 24/4/42.
Sheet No.

O/C. Groups

To see H.E. minute, pl.

24/4/42

Honourable Colonial Secretary.

Mr. Greaves minute noted thank you.
I hope to submit Scheme for today.

66. Letter from Mrs. Greaves of 22/4/42.
67. Letter to Mrs. A. Newing of 24/4/42.
68. Letter from Mrs. A. Newing of 25/4/42.

69-70. Minute from O/C. Groups of 24/4/42

Y.E.

Submitted pl.

24/4/42

Public Notice

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

Miss Carey

Mrs. Newing

Pres. Love, Melham & Drumm.

The public is thanked for their very excellent co-operation in recent surveys. Only five persons failed to realise the meaning of the billeting plan & did not co-operate, less than (about 1/2 % of the population of households).


Until the proper & pertinent order

Encrypted to M.P. S/20/41 (N)

are made, no action is possible, but
the great thing is that full preparation
are now complete, & when the occasion
arises details can be thrashed out &
settled.

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

Please show the above to the Treasurer
for his editing & agreement before issuing

 28/11/42

Hold publication

S of S Secret let No 99 of 30/5/42.

Y.S.

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G.F.

G.F. mentioned including an account of the
ending of the evacuation in your next report
to the S. of S. This M.P. is submitted accordingly.


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No. 409.

DECODE.

TELEGRAM.

From The Secretary of State for the Colonies.

To His Excellency the Governor.

Despatched: 27th December, 19 41. Time: 16.45.

Received: 27th. December, 19 41. Time: 23.45.

IMPORTANT.

Recall with in S/20/41(A) {
No. 139. Most Secret. Chiefs of Staff have been considering the position of the Falkland Islands Defences in the light of the Far Eastern War. It is thought in view of probable activity by Japanese raiders in the Southern Atlantic attempts might be made to capture the Falkland Islands and destroy the fuelling and other facilities; and that Japanese might then try to cause further embarrassment by offering the Islands to the Argentine. [Chiefs of Staff have accordingly telegraphed Chiefs of Staff in Washington suggesting in view of United States principles of hemisphere defence and of the interest of United States Government defenceless alternative route to the Pacific Ocean, they might be prepared to send some reinforcements to the Colony. The mission is being invited to take the matter up with United States authorities. You will be kept informed of further developments.]

I.D.C.O.

SECRETARY OF STATE.

DECODE.

TELEGRAM.

See 1/8/42.

From His Excellency the Governor.

To The Secretary of State for the Colonies.

Despatched: 28th December, 19 41. Time: ..

Received: ... 19 Time:

IMPORTANT.

Red
Extracted to 1/8/42
Ex to 3/20/41(A)
No. 156. Most Secret. Your telegram No. 139 Most Secret noted. Since outbreak of war with Japan Island defences have been fully manned. (O.C. Troops has urgently requested supply of 500 steel helmets, 250 service rifles, 750,000 rounds .303 ammunition and 500 uniforms battle dress complete including boots.) Suggest that if you agree and American troops are sent here all these requirements could come direct from United States.

In addition to possibilities outlined in your telegram there is possibility of either German or Japanese filibustering expedition from the mainland and further there is a rumour that Argentine Government might step in to defend the neutrality of what they claim is theirs.

GOVERNOR.

I.D.C.O.

DECODE.

TELEGRAM.

See I/8/42.

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From HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR

To SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES.

Despatched : 30th December, 19 41. Time :
Received : 19 Time :

copy filed
in I/8/42

No. 158. Secret. With reference to my telegram No. 156 of December
28th most secret. Please add 400 greatcoats to the order. X

I.D.C.O.

GOVERNOR.

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FALKLAND ISLANDS.

SECRET.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

STANLEY,

9th January, 1942.

My Lord,

I have the honour to submit the following in regard to action taken by me since Japan entered the war.

2. It had been the local policy here since September, 1939, to maintain conditions as normal as possible, principally in order to prevent undue alarm; and it was extremely difficult to alter this until some new and more acute position arose. The opportunity afforded by the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbour provided this in no uncertain manner.

3. The news of this attack was received here on the afternoon of December 7th and on the following day the Executive and Legislative Councils met and passed an amendment to the Defence Force Ordinance, No. 7 of 1920, extending the age-limit to 51.

4. A fresh proclamation of mobilisation was issued on the 10th of December, as owing to the previous policy the general mobilisation had gradually lapsed.

5. All defences were immediately manned to the full extent and by 1830 on Tuesday December 9th all the men of the age group 41-51 in Stanley were registered and general posting, etc., began.

6. I notified you by telegram of the action on 11th of December and you approved December 16th.

7. There was in my opinion no need to call up the 41-51 age group outside Stanley.

8. On 8th December I broadcast to the people and formed various Women's Auxiliary groups.

9. A complete and general black-out was established

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HONOURABLE
MOYNE, P.C., D.S.O.,
SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES

10. Your telegram of December 27th confirmed my opinion that these Islands were in a certain amount of danger and I called meetings of the Executive Council and Defence Committee on the morning of the 28th.

11. It was decided to evacuate the children of school-age together with the teachers and all educational requirements. This determination was broadcast and the evacuation is now complete. The response of parents was 100% and covered children between 4 and 15 years of age, totalling some 240. All these are properly housed, their feeding is arranged for, their schooling will continue, two doctors are available in their midst, and the wife of one of the teachers is a qualified dentist.

12. Many mothers left too and I expect either today or tomorrow to see others leave, having made their private arrangements.

13. Everyone has been most helpful and has displayed keen enthusiasm. The evacuation itself was superintended by Mr. T. D. Evans the Superintendent of Education, assisted most fortunately by the two new lady teachers who had had considerable experience in this type of work in Great Britain.

14. The Officer Commanding Troops asked for certain equipment and I cabled you to that effect in my telegram No. 156 of 28th December.

15. The question of rationing was considered and first I had intended to put a scheme into force, but there are no wealthy people here, the difficulty of distribution does not exist, consumption except for alcohol is very limited and supplies were ample, rationing proved unnecessary.

16. The point that rationing helps saving is not applicable here, since owing to the natural tendency of the people, unnecessary expense is difficult to obtain. But I broadcast and the Treasury

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subject of using the Savings Bank - with the result that at the end of December some \$7000 fresh money had come in, and since the New Year a further \$4,500 has been deposited.

17. The question of covering these new deposits will be dealt with by cable direct to the Crown Agents as usual.

18. I have seen the Rear Admiral, South America Division and his advice to me and the Defence Committee has been invaluable. It will continue so far as can be foreseen to-day to be available for some time.

19. South Georgia is not being overlooked and as soon as I can get first-hand information I shall cable you, which information should of course be in your possession long before you receive this despatch.

20. The Rear Admiral, South America Division, has left a Walrus sea-plane as an additional reconnaissance unit and will report at least twice daily.

21. A local Civil Defence Committee is at work in Stanley and practices and rehearsals will be carried out as frequently as possible.

I have the honour to be,

My Lord,

Your Lordship's most
obedient, humble servant,

(Sgd.) A. W. CARDINAL

DECODE.

No. 157.

TELEGRAM.

From The Secretary of State for the Colonies.

To His Excellency the Governor.

Despatched: 12th January, 1942¹⁹ Time:

Received: 14th January, 19 42. Time:

No. 9. Most Secret.

THE TELEGRAM HAS BEEN EXTRACTED TO M.P. S/20/41 (A).

DECODE.

TELEGRAM.

No. 201.

From The Secretary of State for the Colonies.

To His Excellency the Governor.

Despatched: 15th January, 19 42 *Time:* 0021

Received: 15th January, 19 42 *Time:* 1030

No. 10. Most Secret.

THIS TELEGRAM HAS BEEN EXTRACTED TO M.P. S/20/41 (B)

AND MAY BE FOUND AT RED (1) IN THAT M.P. ✓

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THE NOTES BY O/C. TROOPS DATED 15/1/42 HAVE BEEN
EXTRACTED AND FILED AT RED (2) IN M.P. S/20/41 (B)

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THE NOTES BY HON. S.M.O. HAVE BEEN EXTRACTED AND FILED AT
REDS (3) & (4) IN M.P. S/20/41 (B).

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THE NOTES BY MANAGER, F. IS. CO., LTD., HAVE BEEN
EXTRACTED AND FILED AT RED^A/5 IN M.P. S/20/41 (B).

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TELEGRAM.

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From His Excellency the Governor.

To The Secretary of State for the Colonies.

Despatched: 16th January. 19 42 *Time:*

Received: 19 *Time:*

No. 6. Most Secret.

THIS TELEGRAM HAS BEEN EXTRACTED TO M.P. S/20/41 (A)

AND MAY BE FOUND AT REDS ⁵(~~4~~) & (~~5~~)⁶ IN THAT M.P.

THE COPY OF HIS EXCELLENCY'S BROADCAST ON 16/1/42 HAS BEEN
EXTRACTED AND MAY BE FOUND AT RED (1) IN M.P. S/20/41 (M).

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TELEGRAM.

From His Excellency the Governor.

To The Secretary of State for the Colonies.

Despatched: 17th January, 19 42 Time:

Received: 19 Time:

No. 10. Most Secret.

THIS TELEGRAM HAS BEEN EXTRACTED TO M.P. S/20/41 (A)
AND MAY BE FOUND AT RED (⁴/~~5~~) in THAT M.P.

REDS (14) - (21)

REDS (17) TO (21) HAVE BEEN EXTRACTED AND FILED IN M.P.
S/20/41 (B).

Reas (22) - (43)

RED (22) ERRONEOUSLY NUMBERED RED (44) AND THERE ARE NO
ENCLOSURES FILED BETWEEN RED (22) AND RED (43)

DECODE.

TELEGRAM.

From SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES.

To HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.

Despatched : 11th March, 19 42. *Time :* 1030.

Received : 12th March, 19 42. *Time :* 1030.

*Recd 4-6
in P. 5/25/41.*
No. 40. Your despatch of January 9th Secret. Your interesting account of action taken has been noted and is much appreciated.

SECRETARY OF STATE.

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RED (45) HAS BEEN EXTRACTED AND FILED AT RED (³~~2~~) IN M.P.

S/20/41 (M).

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GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
STANLEY.

27th March, 1942.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

SECRET.

My Lord,

R/S 6
In continuation of my Secret despatch of the 9th of January, I have the honour to report as follows; but first may I thank you for your heartening telegram No. 40 of the 11th of March? Such messages do encourage one immensely.

2. I communicated with you by telegram, No. 6 Most Secret of the 16th of January, an outline of the preparations to receive a garrison. This was almost in detail and there is little to add. In order to be as ready as possible arrangements were set on foot to provide temporary billeting for any reinforcements that might be sent. The Ladies Defence Committee visited every house, had necessary forms filled in and card-indexed the result.

3. The public assisted in every way and were anxious to fix their own billetings, which of course had to be explained was impossible, since in any case we had no definite information as to the probable numbers of the men who might arrive.

4. A Military Billeting Officer (Major J. A. Woodgate) was appointed and a small Civil Appeal Committee arranged for, the purposes of these being explained over the local broadcast system.

5. The proposed camp-site will be capable of taking any number of men up to 3,000, but is not being considered/

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE
THE VISCOUNT CRANBORNE,
SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES.

considered for more than the maximum of 1,500 outlined in your telegram No. 10 Most Secret of the 15th of January. It lies alongside a road situate about 2 miles west of the centre of Stanley and close to wireless telegraphic centres, is on dry or readily drainable land and within easy reach of good water.

6. This water is from a catchment area of several hundred acres and is piped by gravity into Stanley at present, but designed for this proposed Camp. There is a flow of some 15,000 to 45,000 gallons daily but it is hoped to standardize this to about a 27,000 gallons regular supply. The Senior Medical Officer has examined the water and has found it even better than the usual Stanley supply which is from a quite different source and has to be pumped in.

7. The new supply needs no pumping and was re-discovered by Major Woodgate and brought into use since your telegrams above-mentioned. The water is filtered through sand-beds and though not quite gin-clear is not the ordinary Munich beer or Bristol Cream colour with which we are accustomed. Major Woodgate has done a good piece of work.

8. On receipt of your telegram Circular January 29th Secret dealing with the scorched earth policy the previous plans were over-hauled and complete arrangements have been made to destroy all stores and plants and both large and small vessels. There arose the question of transport. The absence of roads and the smallness of their numbers made the question of the destruction of motor cars one of minor detail. There remained the question of horses and these it has been decided not to destroy as the use of them

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by the invaders would actually be of assistance to the ^{un}mounted Commandos, since they would be more readily detected not only by the men of these Commandos but by the sheep who being very wild would give a longer warning. Moreover, the Commandos being on foot and in rocky and precipitous country would always be safe against cavalry charges. In this connection too a body of men on horse-back leave behind them a clearly defined trail of hoof-marks and horse droppings, but the latter in this country being preserved for a long time should indicate the time of the passage of the horse party, a matter of importance to the defenders.

9. An inner line of defence has been established across the west of the approaches to Stanley. Until reinforcements arrive this line can only be held by a few groups of men in very small numbers but this is thought to be an advantage if the Commando system of continuing resistance is carried out because it would be easy for the attackers to penetrate the line and so then find themselves in the same awkward position as the defenders are at the present moment whilst the latter would be in the position to retire into the mountain country.

10. The Defence Committee and myself envisage two possible forms of attack by land. The first by a regular landing in force which can only be dealt with when the situation actually arises and the second is by a filibustering raid by Japanese, or Germans, or Japanese and Germans combined from the mainland. If there is sufficient warning the Commandos should deal with the latter.

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11. It is said that one should endeavour to place oneself in the mind of the enemy and I know that if the position were reversed, I as a young man would most certainly try to cause annoyance and nuisance by such a raid ending the affair by eventually surrendering to the Argentine Republic a procedure which I have hinted at in previous telegrams.

12. Caches of ammunition and hard rations are now established at many points in the mountains and Captain R. Greenhields who commands the mounted detachments in the outside areas is now selecting sharp-shooters and explaining to the individuals the plan of Commando warfare.

13. There arises the question of keeping the flag of Government flying and in the absence of any Regular Officer, I am undecided as to whether I myself should endeavour to break out or remain in Stanley. This, I think must be left to circumstances. I am inclined to the opinion that my duty is to maintain the flag flying with myself so that in the end if after I had withdrawn and the worst came to the worst I should become a prisoner of war and not forced to capitulate. I should like your advice on this subject as I have it in mind to go so far even as to the withdrawal of the seat of Government to the West Falkland or even Weddell Island.

14. In connection with this withdrawal and in view of the possibilities of bombardment from the sea or air I have had duplicate copies of all Treasury and Savings Bank Accounts sent for safe keeping into the interior.

15. I am aware that if the Japanese did decide to
attack/

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attack these islands with a view to holding them they would employ in all probability men from Saghalien or the Kuriles thoroughly accustomed not only to similar climatic conditions as here but also to an almost identical terrain.

16. In the event of the withdrawal of Headquarters I should leave behind in charge of the civil population the Magistrate, Mr. A. B. Cathie. The numbers in Stanley would excluding members of the Defence Force only be between 800 and 900.

17. I do not wish to give you the impression that I am in any way panicky for I merely am trying to be prepared for any eventuality since it seems to me that if Japan manages to control Madagascar she will be certain to attempt to control the remaining ocean route. This has been foreshadowed by Japanese declarations in Buenos Aires twice already, a plan confirmed in a report dated the 9th of March submitted through the Naval Intelligence Officer.

18. I regret to inform you that the Walrus sea plane mentioned in paragraph 20 of my Secret despatch of the 9th of January, 1942, crashed on the 1st of March last. Fortunately no serious injuries were sustained by any member of the crew. Since then an Armed Merchant Cruiser has taken away the damaged machine and crew and we are without any air reconnaissance at the present time.

I have the honour to be,

My Lord,

Your Lordship's most
obedient, humble servant

(Sgd) A. W. CARDWELL

(57.)

TELEGRAM.

From The Secretary of State for the Colonies.

To His Excellency the Governor.

Despatched: 11th April, 1942. Time: 0935.

Received : 19 Time :

No. 57. Most Secret.

THIS TELEGRAM HAS BEEN EXTRACTED TO M.P. S/20/41 (A)

AND MAY BE FOUND AT RED (8) IN THAT M.P.

52-54.

REDS (52) TO (54) HAVE BEEN EXTRACTED TO M.P. S/20/41 (M)

AND MAY BE FOUND AT REDS (⁴/₃) TO (⁶/₅) IN THAT M.P.

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REDS (55) TO (68) HAVE BEEN EXTRACTED TO M.P. S/20/41 (N)

AND MAY BE FOUND AT REDS (1) TO (^{13.}~~14~~) IN THAT M.P.

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REDS (69) and (70) HAVE BEEN EXTRACTED TO M.P.

S/20/41 (M) AND MAY BE FOUND AT REDS (~~6~~⁸) and (~~7~~⁹)

IN THAT M.P.

DECODE.

TELEGRAM.

From The Secretary of State for the Colonies.

To His Excellency the Governor.

Despatched : 29th April, 19 42 Time : 1928

Received : 30th April, 19 42 Time : 1030

IMPORTANT. No. 69.

THIS TELEGRAM HAS BEEN EXTRACTED AND FILED AS FOLLOWS :-

Paragraph 1. at red (1) in M.P. S/20/41 (G)

Paragraph 2. at red (1) in M.P. S/20/41 (P) ✓

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RED (72) EXTRACTED AND FILED AT RED (2) IN M.P.

S/20/41 (P). ✓

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RED 73 EXTRACTED AND PLACED IN M.P. S/20/41 (G) at
RED (2). A COPY OF THIS ENCLOSURE IS ALSO FILED AT
RED (3) IN M.P. S/20/41 (P)

DECODE.

TELEGRAM.

From His Excellency the Governor.

To The Secretary of State for the Colonies.

Despatched : 1st May, 19 42 Time :

Received : 19 Time :

Important. Secret. No. 80.

THE ORIGINAL OF THIS TELEGRAM IS FILED AT RED (3) IN M.P. S/20/41 (G), and A COPY OF PARAGRAPH 2 OF THIS SAME TELEGRAM IS FILED AT RED (4) IN M.P. S/20/41 (P) ✓

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DECODE.

TELEGRAM.

No. 512. *From* SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES.

To HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.

Despatched : 30th May, 19 42. *Time :* 0842.

Received : 1st June, 19 42. *Time :* 1030.

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No. 99. Secret. I have with great satisfaction your Secret Despatch of March 27th informing me of energetic measures you are taking to meet every eventuality. I have also noted with pleasure your tribute to Major Woodgate in paragraph No. 7.

As regards paragraphs No. 13 of your Despatch see my telegram No.81. You will no doubt consider this matter with new Officer Commanding Troops on his arrival.

IN & OUT CODE.

SECRETARY OF STATE.