

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

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Date of Receipt.

Governor's Office.

From		SUBJECT.
Secretary of State for the Colonies.		<i>Inter-Departmental Committee on Research & Development in Dependencies of Falkland Islands, Report published. Report of.</i>
No.	Date.	
45.	28/4/20.	

Colonial Secretary's Record No.
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MINUTES.

Telegram from Sec. of State dated 17/3/20.
Telegram sent to Sec. of State on 18/3/20

Copies of Report & letters sent to:-
 Mr. J. J. Wilson, Fox Bay West Falkland.
 Mr. Howard Clement, Roy Cove " "
 Mr. Jason Stanger, Curacao Island " " on 30/11/20.

(2)

H.C.S.

H.M.S. Weymouth is to visit S. Georgia. will you please send copies of report & maps to
 Captain White J. Paul C.M.G. H.M.S. Weymouth
 Mr. Rev. Charles S. Payne

2. I should also like to have copies.

3. I think we should ask Sqs at once for some additional copies. how many we require on 1 January 1921

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Y.E. Ref. para 1. of ② - I had copies supplied from the
 2. Ref. " 293. " We received 20 copies from Co.
 and I can remember only 10 having been dis-
 tributed. The remainder should be in the
 cupboard in Y.E.'s office.

W.D.
 27.1.21

H.C.S.

of Report

Twenty copies were sent by Sqs. (see Sqs detached)

2. I have issued copies of Report to:

Captain Alex. J. Beal C.M.G. H.M.S. Plymouth.

Rev. C. S. Payne

The Treasurer

The Port Geologist.

3. One copy is attached for issue to Stanley Library.

4. Nine copies of Report remain in the office.

5. Will you please despatch asking for 12 copies of Report.

W.D.

27 January 1921

Dispatches drafted to you.

W.D.

31 January 1921

Copies of Report sent to Librarian under cover of letter
 of 1st February 1921. C.S. file 157/21 Encl 4.

Dispatch to S of S. of 1st February 1921 Encl 5.

Distribution of 80 Copies of Report sent to F.I.

Govt House	1	
Col. Secy	1	
Govt. Bldg.	1	
Capt. Beal (Weymouth)	1	} from S. G. 2
Chaplain P. Ayres (---)	1	
L. I. Wilson Esq	1	
Howard Clement Esq	1	
Jason Hansen Esq	1	
Hon. G. I. Turner	1	
" Treasurer	1	
" Col. Surgeon	1	
" H. Harding (?)	1	
Stanley Library	1	

20924/20.

Downing Street,

28 April, 1920.

Sir,

I am directed by Viscount Milner to enclose a copy of a despatch which has been addressed to the Officer Administering the Government of the Falkland Islands, forwarding the Report of the Interdepartmental

To O.A.G. Fld. Is. Committee on Research and Development in the Dependencies
April
Report
Maps
of the Falkland Islands. 10 copies of the Report and 20 copies of each of the maps prefixed to it are also enclosed.

2. You will no doubt communicate copies of the Report and maps to the local managers of the Whaling Companies and you will observe that copies have been communicated to their principals.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

(no. inside)

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

NO. 45



Downing Street,

28th April, 1920.

Sir,

I have the honour to transmit to you twenty copies of the Report of the Interdepartmental Committee on Research and Development in the Dependencies of the Falkland Islands, which has now been published in this country as a Parliamentary Paper. I also enclose eighty copies of each of the maps prefixed to the Report.

2. The terms of reference adopted by the Committee will be found in paragraph 3 of the Report and the conclusions of the Committee are summarised in Part XII.

3. The main recommendation (paragraph 139) is that two vessels - to be constructed specially for the purpose should be employed to carry out biological, hydrographic meteorological, geological and other scientific researches not only in the Dependencies but elsewhere as may be required for the purpose.

4. As regards the incidence of the expenses of the expedition, the Committee assume (paragraph 154) that the vessels and survey equipment will be provided by the Admiralty and that the cost of maintenance and pay of the naval staffs and crews will be borne by naval funds. In the same paragraph the Committee express the opinion that expenses incurred in connection with the other objects of the expedition may properly form a charge against revenues raised in the Dependencies.

THE OFFICER ADMINISTERING

THE GOVERNMENT OF

THE FALKLAND ISLANDS.

5.

Report. (no) separate
Maps. (80)
to Magistrate, S.
Georgia.

5. The Report of the Committee is under consideration by His Majesty's Government and I shall communicate with you again when a decision is arrived at with regard to the proposed expedition, upon which so many of the recommendations necessarily depend.

6. There are, however, certain matters which can be considered independently of the main recommendation of the Committee and I am addressing you in separate despatches in regard to the following points:-

- (a) Paragraph 58. The diminution in the number of the hump backs.
- (b) Paragraph 63. The prevention of waste.
- (c) Paragraph 90. The protection of the Weddell's Seals.
- (d) Paragraph 94. The re-establishment of the fur seal.

C.O.D. 49. of 10.5.20

As regards the recommendations in paragraph 4c, I would refer you to my despatch No.95 of 10th September last forwarding new forms supplied to the British Museum.

7. In paragraph 58 of the Report the Committee refer to the suggested institution of a close time for whaling in South Georgia. In my despatch No.36 of the 23rd March last I have requested you to issue a regulation making the period from the 1st June to the 15th September of each year the close season of that Dependency.

Via Gazette of 1920. page 58

8. To meet the expenses of the Committee, the Legislative Council voted sums of 2500 in each of the years 1918 and 1919, but it has only been necessary to expend a small proportion of the amounts so provided. Apart from minor sums for travelling and subsistence expenses, the main items of expenditure were

- (a) an honorarium of 100 guineas to Dr. W.S. Bruce for the valuable assistance rendered by him to the Committee
- (b) a payment of £32 to Messrs George Phillip and Sons Limited, for preparing the two maps prefixed to

to the Report and supplying 700 copies of each;
(c) a gratuity of £60 to the Secretary, the amount being fixed by the Lords Commissioners of the Treasury in accordance with the practice obtaining in the Home Service.

The last mentioned payment was not made until after the close of the financial year 1919, when the vote for the Committee expired, and it should, therefore, be charged to the Research and Development Fund. The publication of the Report as a Parliamentary Paper will necessitate the provision of additional copies of the maps, the cost of which will be met in due course from the same Fund.

9. The Report is being widely distributed to scientific and other institutions or bodies likely to be interested in the proposals of the Committee. Copies have been communicated direct to the whaling interests in the Dependencies, i.e. Messrs Chr. Salvesen and Company, the Southern Whaling and Sealing Company, the Association of Norwegian Whaling Companies and Messrs. Wm. Brandt's Sons and Company, the agents in London of the Cia Argentina de Pesca.

10. You will no doubt furnish me with any observations that you may have to make with regard to the Report. I should also be glad to receive the observations of the Magistrate of South Georgia, and in particular any corrections or additions which he may have to suggest to the information relating to that Dependency. I have caused a copy of this despatch, together with 10 copies of the Report and 20 copies of each of the maps to be sent direct to the Magistrate, in a letter of which I

enclose

enclose a copy.

11. Any similar criticisms with regard to the information regarding the remaining Dependencies will also be useful.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient,

humble servant,

Wilbur

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C. J. Ronald.

15th Nov. 1920.

Sir,

I have the honour to state that the following gentlemen have expressed a desire for copies of the Report of the Interdepartmental Committee on Development of the Falkland Islands' Dependencies, and beg to state that it is my opinion that they are suitable recipients: namely, Mr. J. L. Wilson for King; Mr. Howard Clement, Roy Cove; Mr. Jason Hansen, Carcass Island, all in West Falkland. May I request, that subject to your approval each may be supplied with a copy.

I have the honour to be

Sir,

Your obedient servant

J. Hamilton

His Excellency
The Administrator

Stanley

Magisterial Magistrate,
South Sheklund.

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Government House, Stanley.

30th November, 1920.

Sir,

Please find the enclosed copy of a Report of the Interdepartmental Committee on Research and Development in the Dependencies of the Falkland Islands, which I am directed by the Administrator to send you, and to state that His Excellency is pleased to learn, from the Magistrate, Fox Bay, that you are interested in the matter.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

J. S. Stoff

As. Clerk & Private Secretary.

*Letters and Copies
of Report sent to:—*

Mr. J. I. Wilson,

Fox Bay,

West Falkland.

Mr. Howard Clement,

Roy Cove

West Falkland.

Mr. Jason Hansen,

Carcass Island

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

No. 7.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

STANLEY,

1st February, 1922.

My Lord,

With reference to paragraph 1 of Your Lordship's despatch No. 45 of the 23th of April, 1920, I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of twenty copies of the Report of the Interdepartmental Committee on Research and Development in the Dependence of the Falkland Islands, together with eighty copies of each of the maps referred to in the Report.

I should be glad if I could be furnished with twelve more copies of the Report for distribution locally.

I have the honour to be,

My Lord,

Your Lordship's most obedient,
humble servant,

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE

VISCOUNT MILNER, P.C., G.C.B., G.C.M.G.,

SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES,

cc., cc., cc.