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POSTAL & TELEGRAPHIC  
(Wireless)

1926.

No. 382/26.

S. of S. No. 54.

SUBJECT.

1926.

11th June.

DISCOVERY EXPEDITION.

Previous Paper.

Allotment of a fresh Wireless Call Signal  
to R. R. S. "Discovery."

MINUTES.

Despatch from Secretary of State, No. 54 of 11th May, 1926.

*PA 8/10/26*

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*J.E.*

*Submitted.*

*Colonial Postmaster to note?*

*G.M. by  
O.P. Sect.*

*10 Aug 1926.*

*10 Aug. 1926*

*By Colonial Postmaster.*

*To note.*

*G.M. by  
O.P. Sect.*

*11 Aug 1926.*

Subsequent Paper.

*Hon. Col. Secy.*

*Noted.*

*W. Barlas  
Ap. Col. Postmaster  
19.8.26*

Col. Postmaster

To Lt

J Miller

G. Col Sec

6. 10. 26

Hon. Col. Sec,

Noted

L. Barlas

Ap. Col. Postmaster

6. 10. 26.

C O P Y.

Colonial Office,  
S.W.I.

1607.

8th June, 1926.

Sir,

I am directed by the "Discovery" Committee to transmit to you, for your information and guidance, a copy of the correspondence with the General Post Office noted in the margin, from which you will see that as the "Discovery" is now registered at Stanley, the Colonial Wireless Call Signal "G.V.M.B." has been allotted to the ship in substitution for the British Wireless Call Signal now understood to be in use.

2. You will see that the Postmaster General has been informed that the new signal will be brought into use after "Discovery's" arrival at Cape Town and I am accordingly to request that you will notify me by telegram of the date from and including which the signal "G.V.M.B." will be used.

I am, etc.

(Sgd) A. L. AYTON.

Commander J.R. Stenhouse, D.S.O., O.B.E., D.S.C.,  
R.R.S. "DISCOVERY".

From  
G.P.O.  
29.5.26.

To G.P.O.  
8.6.26.

COPY.

1607.

Colonial Office, S.W.

3th June, 1926.

Sir,

I am directed by the "Discovery" Committee to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No. 94266/25 of the 29th May last, and to inform you that the R.R.S. "Discovery" was registered at Stanley, Falkland Islands, on the 27th July, 1925.

2. In these circumstances the Colonial Wireless Call Signal "G.V.M.B." has been allotted to the vessel by the Colonial Office; but as the "Discovery" is now on the high seas en route from Stanley to Cape Town it will not be possible for the new signal to come into use until after the ship's arrival at Cape Town.

3. I am to enclose, for the information of the Postmaster General, a copy of a letter which has been addressed to the Commanding Officer of the "Discovery" on the subject. It will be seen that Captain Stenhouse has been instructed to inform me by telegram of the date from which the Colonial Call Signal will be used, and the Postmaster General will be duly informed on receipt of the Commanding Officer's telegram.

4. In reply to the last paragraph of your letter I am to state that accounts for radiotelegrams exchanged with the "Discovery" should continue to be sent to me for settlement.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

The Secretary,  
General Post Office,  
E.C.

(Sgd.) A. L. AYTON.

COPY.

General Post Office,  
London, E.C.1.

29th May, 1926.

Sir,

Wireless Telegraphy on board ship.

I am directed by the Postmaster General to say that he understands that the R.R.S. "Discovery" which has hitherto been registered at London is now registered at Stanley, Falkland Islands. If this is correct no doubt you will be good enough to arrange for a fresh call signal to be assigned to the ship from the series reserved for allocation to ships registered in British Crown Colonies and to notify this office of the call signal allotted.

It is assumed that accounts for radiotelegrams exchanged with the "Discovery" should continue to be sent to you for settlement, but perhaps you will be so good as to confirm that this assumption is correct.

I am, etc.

(Sgd.) W. E. Weston.

The Secretary,  
"Discovery" Committee,  
Colonial Office.

for the Secretary.

July 12th, 1926.

1607.

Sir,

With reference to my letter No. 1607 of the 8th June last regarding the Colonial Wireless Call Signal of the R.R.S. "Discovery", I am directed by the "Discovery" Committee to inform you that a telegram has been received from the Officer Commanding the "Discovery" stating that the signal "G.V.M.B." will be used from the 10th June. The vessel is at present in Cape Town.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

The Secretary,  
General Post Office,  
LONDON, E.C.2.