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SUBJECT:

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MAIL CONTRACT.

Intercoastal Trading Company, Limited.

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CONNECTED FILES.

NUMBER AND YEAR.

0327

Mail contract.

14th. March 1953.

His Honour the Officer Administering the Government,
Government House,
Stanley,
Falkland Islands.

Your Honour,

Intercoastal Trading Company Ltd. has been registered in Stanley as a Private Company with the object of acquiring the M/V "Protector 111" from Colonial Development Corporation, and subsequently operating the vessel within Falkland Island Home Trade limits as a freighter.

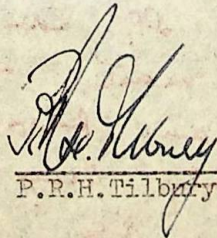
2 This vessel has, in the past, and whilst under the ownership of Colonial Development Corporation, frequently carried mails to and from various farms, and mail has been carried thus without charge.

3 Our present purpose is to enquire whether an arrangement could be made with Government whereby our vessel would be utilised to the fullest extent possibly for mail-carrying, particularly for the more isolated farms in West Falklands. If such an arrangement could be made it may be considered desirable that our company should be paid a retaining fee for carrying mails to ports on the vessel's itinerary.

4 Messrs. Falkland Islands Co. Ltd. will act as the Agents for the vessel, and will publish itineraries and advertise for cargo.

5 We shall be most interested to learn, in due course, whether the suggestion outlined above will be considered favourably or otherwise by Government.

I have the honour to be,
Your Honour's Obedient Servant,


P.R.H. Tilbury.

Director.

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SP

for comments ppe.

I have not yet seen SP's
Comments on AO's suggestion
for mail carriage to
East Falklands.

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Reply at 3.

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Hon. Cal. Sec.

I think every opportunity ought to be taken to carry mails to both east & West Fairland Ports. I further think that a retaining fee is the answer to ensure such mails will be looked after.

AM. SPT.
17. 3. 53

MS.

We refer - Sect. 8 of the Post. Off. Ord. nro (para 477 Revised Edition)

MS.

Y.H.

Carriage of mail is covered by legislation - we should make the fullest possible use of any safe means of carrying mail. Does one laid down, I see no need in a retaining in this instance.

Mr. Hardy mentioned to me the question of paying a retaining fee for the maintenance of Coastal Lights. This would appeal if we did not have our own vessel.

MS.
2/6/53

Ch we should follow the law in this matter. SPT can require a master to carry mail & the master in turn can claim payment.

If the only thing to watch is that we don't give two small vessels mail which could equally well be carried by plane or h/vzrog.

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1st April,

53.

Sir,

I am directed to acknowledge receipt of your letter dated the 14th of March, 1953, raising the question of Government paying a retainer for the carriage of mails, and to advise you that the carrying of mail is governed by Section 8 of the Post Office Ordinance.

2. Under this circumstance it is regretted that no arrangement for the payment of a retaining fee can be made, but I can assure you that all possible use of the m.v. "Protector III" will be made.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

(Sgd) J.E. Briscoe

Acting Colonial Secretary.

Director,
Intercoastal Trading Company, Limited,
STANLEY.

S.P.
A. I. P. J.
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Nov 25

Seen thank you

AM SPI

7. 4. 53.

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