

C.S.

POSTAL & TELEGRAPHIC.  
(Misc.)

MAI/GEN/6#1

19 39.

No. 146/39.

160

H.E. the Governor.

SUBJECT.

19 39.

26th August.

ESTABLISHMENT OF CENSORSHIP OF MAILS AND  
TELEGRAMS IN THE COLONY.

Previous Paper.

MINUTES.

Minute from H.E. the Governor of 26/8/39.

Letter to Rev. J.E. Hamilton

" " Rev. G.K. Lowe

M. CH

C.S.  
26. 8. 39.

*M.*

Proclamation Submitted.

M. CH  
C.S.

26. 8. 39.

Magistrate South Georgia to  
be informed of Censorship  
and that he has been  
appointed Censor for S. Georgia

M. O. Fosberg and Wireless  
operator to be informed of  
Censorship also West Falkland  
Stations. No Censor is required

Subsequent Paper.

15.

Circular No. 43 Telegram from  
S. of S. 8/9/39.

*H.* Submitted.

*WCH*  
*cl.*  
12.9.39.

*WCH 12/9*

*H.* The Hon. W. K. Cameron spoke to me this morning regarding Censorship. He wanted to know if all letters were censored, if so he thought such action quite needed for especially in the case of letters sent by persons holding responsible positions in the Colony. He also wanted to know if instructions were issued locally. I informed him -

1. That I was not the Censor officer but that so far as I was aware all letters were not censored and that the officer must use his discretion in censoring.

2. That instructions were not issued locally and that Censor officers had to follow the Secret Instructions sent to the Colony.

2. From what I have been told unofficially it would seem that Mr. Howe opens a large number of letters addressed to England, this seems quite unnecessary particularly if the sender puts his name on the flap and the Censor is satisfied as to his integrity.

W.H.  
15. 9. 39.

I am not impressed by Mr. Cameron's views in this matter.

Perfectly honorable and patriotic people give away information in letters. Censorship is not imposed for the sole object of detecting treason or spies

~~W.H.~~ 15/9

Telegram from Hon. N.K. Cameron of 16. 9. 39.	(16)
Minute to and from H.C. the Governor 17. 9. 39.	(17)
Telegram to Hon. N.K. Cameron of 18. 9. 39.	(18)
Telegram from S. of S. Ho. of 18. 9. 39.	(19)
" " Hon. N.K. Cameron of 19. 9. 39.	(20)
Minute from H.C. the Governor of 21. 9. 39.	(20A)
Telegram from S. of S. of 27. 9. 39.	(21)
<del>_____ of 28. 9. 39.</del>	(22)
<del>_____ of 28. 9. 39.</del>	(23)
<del>_____ of 29. 9. 39.</del>	(24)
<del>_____ of 30. 9. 39.</del>	(25)
Minute to J.E. Hamilton, Esq. 30. 9. 39.	(26)

Censor officer.

To see and note  
Correspondence herein.

MCH

cl.

27  
1/

Service Circ: 82

S. X. 39.

From S. of S. 2. X. 39.

A.C.S.

Noted, please.

J.B. Amilton

S. X. 39

(28)

Telegram from S. of S. of 4.10.39.

Early.

Censor officer.

Please put up a draft  
of particulars of staff and  
organization.

Please note for action  
as required.

MCH  
cl.

S. X. 39.

29

Minute from Censor officer of 7.10.39

30-31

Letter to H.B.M. Consul, B. Aires 7.10.39

32-33

Letter to Commissaires Postal and  
Telegraph Censors London 7.10.39

Circular tele: from S. of S. 5/10/39 34.

Circular telegram of 7/10/39 35

Censor officer.

For your information and observations on "A" of Ref 35.  
MCH  
10. X. 39.

Letter from H.C. Barta, Esq. of 2.10.39.

(36)

To Information file

Secret telegram from S. of S. of 9.10.39.

(37)

10.10.39.

(38)

Received from the Colonial Secretary Copy No 263 was officer cipher C. I. Lower grade holders.

J.H. Hamilton.

12. X. 39.

Secret Tele: to S. of S. of 12/10/39 39.

Hon. Sec.

With reference to "A" Ref 35.

So far as the colony itself is concerned telegrams in Spanish need be dealt with.

J.H. Hamilton.  
Censor Officer  
12. X. 39

40. Letter from A. G. Barton, Esq., of 7. 10. 39.

M.

The reply to the first paragraph is in the affirmative.

2. In M's minute herein (20A) the question of continuing censorship on internal correspondence was to be raised. I do not think the censoring of such correspondence serves any useful purpose.

MCH

12. 10. 39.

1. Reply accordingly adding that censorship of ~~was~~ internal correspondence is ~~at present~~ very seldom necessary and has been so treated by the censor up to the present <sup>para 2</sup>
2. I of ✓ asked in (21) <sup>para 2</sup> for certain information (27: Sept:) he repeated the request in (25) (30: Sept-) and I have today received a third application for the information
3. Enclosure to 31 should include

Copies of the Censorship stamps,  
used

~~11/11~~ 13/00

Telegram from S. of S. Circ: No. 93 (41)

Telegram from S. of S. No. 82 42.

Telegram to S. of S. of 13/X/39 42A.

Telegram to ~~the~~ Consul B. Aires of 13/X/39. 42B

Telegram to S. of S. of 14. 10. 39. 43.

Letter to A.G. Barton Esqr. of 13. 10. 39. 44.

Censor officer.

Please see 41. Please  
let me have the specimens  
asked for.

MCH  
cl.

14. X. 39.

H. C. S.

Specimens submitted in duplicate  
please.

J. H. Hamilton  
Censor.

18-X-39

Telegram from S. of S. 16/10/39. 45

Telegram from S. of S. Circ. 104  
21. X. 39 SECRET 46

Censor officer.

To note.

MCH  
cl.

22. X. 39.

H. C. S.

Noted please  
J. H. Hamilton  
23-X-39.

- 47. Lr to Controller. Postal & Telegraph Censors of 25/10/39.
- 48. Telegram from S. of S. No. 103 of 21.10.39.
- 49. \_\_\_\_\_ No. 106 of 24.10.39.

Censor Officer.

To note above telegrams.

MCH

25. X. 39.

Hon. Col. Sec.

Notes, please

get admission  
Censor Officer.

25. X. 39

- (50) Letter to H.B. Mis Consul, Buenos Aires of 4.11.39.

MCH

- (51) Despatch No. 127 to S. of S. of 8.11.39.

Yh  
In

Despatch Submitted

Signature.

MCH

8. XI. 39.

12/11 5/11

- 52-53. Letter to Controller, Postal & Tels. Censors 8/11/39.

- (54) Telegram from S. of S. of 12.11.39.

P.H  
9.11.39.



Censor officer.

To note read (54)

MCH

14. XI. 39.

Telegram Series of 14 Nov<sup>th</sup> . 55  
 " " 15 Nov<sup>th</sup> . 56.  
 " " from S. of S. 24/39. 57.

Telegram No. 120 to S. of S. of 21. 11. 39.

(58)

Censor officer.

To you please.

MCH

CS

22 - XI - 39.

Hon. Col. Sec.

Noted please

permitted

22. XI. 39

Circ. telegram 121 of 23. XI. from S. of S. 59-60

" " 123 . 28. XI. 39 from S. of S. 61.

Censor officer.

To note above.

MCH

CS

Hon. Col. Sec

Noted please

permitted

1 - XII - 39

62. Telegram from S. of S. No. 124 of 29. 11. 39.

Censor Officer.

To note.

met  
C.

2. XII. 39.

Hon. Col. Sec.

Noted please  
J. Hamilton.

2 - XII - 39

63. Telegram from S. of S. No. 125 of 1-12-39.

Censor Officer.

To note.

met  
C.

6. XII. 39.

Hon. Col. Sec.

Noted please.

Submitter, (a) copy of routine covering letter sent with inter-nee letter

(b) 2 copies of report for November. The report for October was forwarded by you, red (53)

J. Hamilton,  
Censorship Officer

14. XII. 39.

64. Letter from Censor Office to Controller of Censorship London, 9. XII. 39.

PA  
4.12.39.

S. of S. Circular Note of 5/10/39. 65-67.

Signal from H. M. S. "Exeter" of 18/12/39. 68.

S. of S. Circular telegram of 16/12/39 69.  
Censor Officer.

To note.

MCH  
18. XII. 39

HCS

Noted please

J. M. O. Committee  
20-11-39.

Yh.

With reference to Yh's minute  
read I believe, Mr. Howe has  
spoken to me about remuneration  
for his work as Assistant <sup>Censor</sup> Officer.  
This is part time work. Perhaps  
12/6 per day would be reasonable  
(£ 18-15-0) a month. On the other  
hand as Chaplain Captain in the  
D. F. he would presumably get 15/-  
a day if in the field with the  
Force.

MCH  
20. XII. 39.

He should be paid as a military  
officer (it is common to deduct them for  
such work) at some part time term  
rates as Captain Harding 7/6 a  
day - for time he assumed duty

20/12/39

MCH  
If this would be military rate charge to  
you think fit

- 70. Letter to Commanding Officer, H.M.S. "Ajax" 21/12/39.
- 71. — — Rev. G.H. Lowe of 21/12/39.
- 72. Minute to Quartermaster, F.I.D.F., of 21/12/39.

with

Treasurer.

To note.

in CH  
CS

21. XII. 39.

How CS

Notes

Receipt  
21/12/39

Supervisor Elec. Dept.

To see re (70). I should like to see you about this. It would simplify matters if all the telegrams handed in by the Ship Company of "Essex" could be handed back plus the cash if receipts you issued are surrendered for attachment to the counterfoils. The money re should be handed to an Accountant Officer of the Ship against his acknowledgement. However in the meantime a

Supr. E. and J. Dept.

I spoke to you about  
red 78 and understand that  
action was taken thereon.

WCH  
cl.

28.12.39.

Hon Col Sec

Your action has  
been taken. Thank you

AM, Sup E & J

29.12.39

~~79~~ Letter from Rear Admiral, S.A.S., 28/2/39.

With Sup - ?  
E to WCH?

I think red 79 should go  
in 66/39? Were communication  
with WCH.

WCH

PH  
21/1/40.

79-80. Letter from British Consul General of 22/11/39.

81. Letter to H.B.M. Consul General of 14/1/40.

82-87. Brown Agents Invoices of 25/10/39.

Control Officer,

to withdraw the undermentioned,  
please:-

Peterson International Code 3rd Edition.

" Cable Address Directory, 1938, and

A.B.C. Telegraphic Code 6th Edition.

E.H.  
for C.S.  
14/1/40.

als. Codes withdrawn please

7-i-40 JED.

PH  
21/1/40.

Spindle from Magistrate, S.G., of 16/12/39.

5/1/40.

88  
89.

For Mr. Hamilton.

S. of S. Telegram No. 2 of 14. 1. 40.

P.H.  
15/1/40.  
90

Censor officer.  
To note.

MCH  
CJ  
14. 1. 40

A.C.S.

noted please  
of admission  
16-1-40.

Letter to Controller, Postal & Tele. Censorship 25/1/40.

P.H.  
16/1/40.  
91

Telegram from S. of S. No. 8 of 24. 1. 40.

P.H.  
25/1/40.  
92

Censor officer.  
For your views please.  
I fear Portuguese may present  
some difficulty here.

MCH  
CJ  
29. 1. 40

Adv. Col. Sec.

I agree that Portuguese is out of the question. Mr. Carr informs me that he can read Italian and possesses an Italian Dictionary.  
? Italian could be accepted.

2/ I suggest the last word of the telegram shd. be "Italian"

J.H.  
C.O.  
29. 1. 40

93. Telegram No. 14 to S. of S. of 30.1.40.

P.A.

31/1/40

94-96. S. of S. Circular Note of 6.11.39.

Chief Censor officer.

To note.

MCH

CS

15.2.40

W.C.

Notes please

get submitted

C.C.O.

17/2/40

97-98. Letter to Controller, Postal & Tel. Censors, London 20/2/40.

99. Telegram from S. of S. of 2/3/40.

Chief Censor officer

It has approved a mail being made up at Freetown for direct transit to the River Plate and England. It will be closed on the morning of 11<sup>th</sup> March and will be despatched the same day.

2. What censorship instructions should be sent to the Deputy

Postmaster ?

MCH  
C.S.  
6.5.40

H.C.S.

I understand that the Captain of the "Lafonia" has been appointed a censorship officer. Is this correct please.

If so, since the mails from the West Indies are usually small he could censor them and could be supplied with labels and a stamp to seal the bags.

I would of course instruct <sup>on details</sup> Capt. Fox Bay before he sails.

J. Hamilton  
Censorship Officer

6.5.40

Censor Officer.

The censoring should be done by the Deputy P.M. Fox Bay before he makes the mail up. H.C.S. in  
itinerary  
file

I am not aware that the master of the "Lafonia" has been appointed a Censorship Officer. He was told he could open mails or any other package of a suspicious character.

MCH  
C.S.  
6.5.40

Hon. Col. Sec

I am indebted for the correction of my information. I had not seen the itinerary file.

2. The Deputy P.M. Fox Bay should open about ten per cent of the letter mail. Letters to well known firms (such as Oxendales or Harrods) need not be examined.

Letters should be closed by neatly gumming a piece of paper over the opening, which should be in one edge, and this piece of paper should be stamped CENSOR F B by means of a rubber stamp made from the wooden alphabet set belonging to the Post Office F.B. The wooden part of the letters should be glued together preferably in a vice and the resulting block of eight letters bound round with adhesive tape. The resulting stamp may be used with a postal date stamp pad.

3. Letters should be censored with reference to para. 3 of the proclamation.

4. Letters in any foreign language should be retained and sent to Stanley by the first chance as should any in English which excite suspicion.

5. The stamp must be kept in the P.O. safe

J. Hamilton  
Censor Officer

6.11.40



Y/h

Submitted. Transmited to the Deputy Postmaster, Free Bay, instructions as per one of the Chief Censor officers?

MCH  
8.5.40

My minute re Deputy P.M. Free Bay must have been badly worded if it indicated that he should censor the mail. Neither you nor I attached importance to the censoring of an isolated mail from the West and I intended no more than that he sh<sup>d</sup>. make up the mail in the ordinary way leaving it to be supposed that Govt. might make some arrangements for censoring.

The authority to Captain of Lapnia to which you refer was admitted by irregular and was from Naval Control alegation people at Monte Video. Unless you know of objection let him be appointed for action when or if correspondence will otherwise be uncensored. I do not think he need be called out the present W. F. mail

Chief Censor

2/3/40

Chief Censor Office.

To note that W. F. mail will not be censored, so instructions are not necessary.

2. So far as I am aware "Lafonia" only carries "closed" mails i.e. those sealed in a Post Office. Is there any point in appointing the master a Censor Officer?

MCH  
C/O  
9. 5. 40

Hon. Col. Sec.

Noted please

2. It would appear that there is no necessity to appoint the master of Lafonia Censor Officer at present.

9. 5. 40 ph. Hamilton  
Censor Officer

Letter to Controller, Postal & Tels, Censors of 10/3/40 100-101.  
Telegram to Deputy Postmaster, Fox Bay of 10/3/40. 102.

MCH  
C/O  
11. 5. 40

S. of S. Circ. disp. of 28/12/39. 103-104.

S. of S. Circular Note of 16<sup>th</sup> January, 1940. 105-106.

Submitted, Scheme to be adopted here? Chief Censor might draw up draft notice suitable to local conditions!

MCH  
C/O  
13. 5. 40

14/3

Chief Censor.

Accordingly please,  
Kindly submit draft Notice  
drawn up on lines of 103.

MCH  
C.S.  
14.5.40

M.S.

Draft notice herewith please

get admitted  
Ch. Censor,  
15-3-40

107.

See 157/39.

Assise: Censor officer to be paid,  
under Head XVII Misc: new item  
"War Censorship Expenses" from 1<sup>st</sup>  
January, 1940, instead of from  
Military Funds as formerly.

MCH  
C.S.  
16.5.40

J.S.  
noted  
19/5/40

M. T. S.

Noted. The Sp. Vol. for £75.0.0  
attached and filed.

2. I presume that the monthly  
journal vouchers will be prepared  
in the Secretariat.

Office.

Salary for March to be paid from new vote.  
Please inform Quartermaster that payments will cease from military funds.

M.T.S.  
D.S. 20.7.40.  
Defence Force  
MCH  
C.S.

Done.

MCH  
ed.

Chief Censor Officer.

To note issue of Notice.

MCH  
ed.

25. 3. 40

Telegram from Rear Admiral, S.A.D. of 23/3/40.

(110)

A.C.S.

Notes: I am informing the Asst. Censor also.

J.B. Hamilton

C.C.O.

27 - iii - 40

M

Submitted. Action desired in

(110) has been noted by the Censor Staff.

MCH  
ed.

27. 5. 40

~~Handwritten signature~~ 27/3/40

P.H.  
25/3/40

Spinks to Registrar, South Georgia of 1/3/40.

(111)

P.H.  
1/4/40

Letter from Cable and Wireless Ltd, 16/2/40.

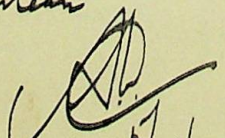
112-114

Telegram No. 30 Circular from S. & S. of 29/3/40.

(112)

Membership Office.

To m. 1. (12), please

  
5/11/40

A.S.

Notes please.

J. Hamilton

C.C. 58.

5.11.40

P.A.  
6/4/40.

113. Minute from Colonial Postmaster of 6/4/40.

A.C.S.

For publication in Gazette & original to be returned to Col. R.M.

*[Signature]* 9/11/40

114-119. Government Notice No. 30 of 10/4/40.

Col. Postmaster.

To note and withdraw original leaflet. Please pass to Censor to note.

G. J. G.  
for S.  
11/4/40

Non. Col. Sec.

Leaflet withdrawn & noted.

M.C.P.M. 12/4/40

120-121. Letter to Controller, Postal & Telegraphic Censors 12/4/40.

122. S. of S. Courier Telegram No. 38 of 10/22/40.

Chief Censor Office

to note.

A.L.G.  
for C.S.  
12/4/40.

A.C.S.

Noted please.

G.L.O.  
C.C.S.  
12-10-40

P.P.  
12/4/40

S. of S. Telegram Circ. No. 45 of 20/4/40. 123.

Chief Censor

To note  
A.L.G. 23/11/40

A.C.S.

Noted please  
g. l. o. m. i. n. i. s. t. r. a. t. i. o. n.

C.C.O.  
23. 10. 40

Telegram No. 46 from S. of S. of 23. 4. 40. 124.

Government Notice No. 40 of 25. 4. 40. 125.

Supr. E. & T

to note for necessary action.

Please inform Z.B.H. & V.Q.Z. accordingly and pass to Chief Censor office to note.

C.L.G.  
for C.S.  
26/4/40.

Hon.C.S.

Noted. Service messages will be sent to the stations concerned.

N.M.  
Supr.  
26/4/40

207-20  
2400  
16.4.40

S. of S. Telegram Circ. No. 47 of 25/4/40.

126

Chief Censor office,

To note - Pds 124-125-126.

C. S. O.  
for C.  
27/4/40.

ACS.

Noted please.

25.80.

Ch. C. O.

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(127) Telegram from S. of S. of 27. 4. 40.

Chief Censor office,

To note.

C. S. O.  
for C.  
29/4/40.

ACS.

Noted please

26.00.

Ch. C. O.

30. iv - 40

P.A.  
30/4/40

129. Letter to Controller, Postal & Telegraphic Censors of 8. 5. 40.

130-133. S. of S. Circular Note 3 of 8. 3. 40.

134. S. of S. Circular Telegram Saving of 29. 2. 40.

135. S. of S. Circular Despatch of 29. 3. 40.

Despatch No. 62 to S. of S. of 13. 5. 40.  
J. F. S. Telegram Cert. No. 57 of 16/5/40.

(136)  
137

Y.E.

For approval & signature, please.

*[Signature]* 17/5/40

*[Signature]* 16/5

Chief Censor.

to note Rea. (135)

C. J. S.  
for L.S.  
20/5/40

A.C.S.

not in plain

J.C.S.  
C.C.O.  
20.5.40

P.A.  
22/5/40

Letter from Mr. J. E. Hamilton of 24. 5. 40.

Censorship Notice for Broadcasting.

Circular Telegram from S. of S. of 29. 5. 40.

Minutes from Chief Censor Officer of 3. 6. 40.

Censorship Notice for Broadcasting 4. 6. 40.

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139.

140.

141-142.

143.

Chief Censor

ref (141.2) most of the information is to be found in the Annual Report & Blue Books, & legislation is to be found in various gazettes or published rules, regulations, orders &c. These are all available to the public.

If you were to take notice that other information, which you might consider harmful, was not included in the reply sent by the F.I.C., I think it would be all right.

By the way what control have you not with matter sent through the F.I.C. for air transmission?

*[Signature]* 25/5/40

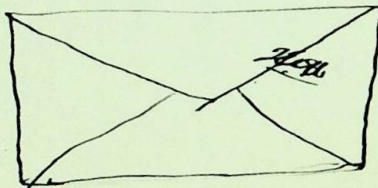


Hon. Col. Sec.

I have withdrawn the letter from the First National Bank of Chicago to the F.Z.C. and returned it with a covering note of which a copy is att'd. (Serial no. 144)

Your last memo. The F.Z.C. submit it by air mail, ~~enclosed~~ to me for inspection and closure. They will not accept air mail from private sources unless it has been initialed by me, home or myself after closure.

Initialed is done over the joint of the flap - thus



Since these letters are posted in the files one cannot attach printed labels. Frequency might not like it.

J.A.H.

C.C.  
5. 57. 40

Chief Censor

In ref (138) I don't think the position has altered since H.E.'s minute of 8/3/40. I am aware greater control is more than necessary, & if you wish to re-open the question, please minute herein reasons.

J.A.H. 7/11/40

H.C.S.

I have up to the present no reason to suspect that there is any leakage, it was rather as a matter of principle that I raised the point, but in view of H.E.'s minute of 8/11/40 I do not wish to ~~present~~ <sup>present</sup> it.

J.A.H.  
C.C.  
8. 57. 40

YA



158. Circular telegram no. 160 from S. of S. of 13/8/40.

A.C.S. Minute this to Chief Censor & has a public notice issued - also in "Penguin" & in Gazette. AB 16/8/40

159-161. S. of S. Circular Note of 28/5/40.

162. Government Notice, No. 84 of 20/8/40.

163. Censorship Report for July of 2/8/40.

164. Letter to Com. Director, Postal & Telegraphic Censors of 21/8/40.

P.H.

Chief Censor,

To note.

A.S. Fred  
24/8/40

A.C.S.

noted please.

as 162 seems to have omitted 3 words where underlined of ref 158.

Z.P.D.

Ch. C.

26. VIII. 40

P.H.

165. S. of S. Circ. Sel. Saving of 4. 7. 40.

166-170. S. of S. Circular Note of 5. 7. 40.

Chief Censor

To note and withdraw Reas

167 & 169.

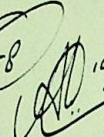
C. S. Fred  
30/8/40

1426.

Notes 167 and 169 with drawing  
g.D.D. C.C.  
4-1X-160

P.A.

Letter to Controller, Postal & Telegraphic Censors 10/9/40. (171-172.)

P.M.  
To see (58)  10/14/40

Hon. Col. Sec.

Dear Sir, thank you.

MC  
P.M.  
12/9/40

S. of S. Circular <sup>despatch</sup> Note of 24. 7. 40.

173-174.

" " Note " 29. 7. 40.

175-176.

Telegram No. 78 to Magistrate, S.G., of 27/9/40. 177.

Chief Censor

Please see 174 & 157. Are there any objections?

 30/14/40

P.A.  
12/9/40.

H.C.

I can see none since documents are not in any way exempted from examination.

g.D.D.  
C.C.  
1-40

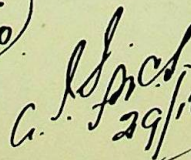
Letter to Controller, Postal & Telegraphic Censors, London, 22/178-179. 1/40.

Secret Telegram from S. of S. of 29/1/40.

180.

Chief Censor officer.

10 note Red (180)

 29/10/40.

A.C.S.  
Noted please.  
g.D.D. C.C.  
30-X-40

Telegram No. 91 from Magistrate, S.G., of 31/10/40.

(181.)

182. Telegram to Magistrate, South Georgia of 2/11/40.

Chief Censor,

To note Res. 181-182.

C.S.O.  
for C.S.  
4/11/40

ALL. NOW please. 2/11. C.C. 4.11.40

183-184. Telegram No. 89 to Magistrate, S.G. of 11/11/40.

185-186. S. of S. Circular Note of 26.8.40.

187. Telegram No. 96 from Magistrate S.G. of 11/11/40.

188. Telegram No 90 to Magistrate South Georgia, of 12/11/40.

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189. S. of S. Circular Telegram No. 226. of 22/11/40.

190-191. Letter to Controller, Postal and Telegraphic Services, London 28/11/40.

Chief Censor,

To note Res (189)

ALL. NOW please. 2/11. C.C. 28.11.40

C.S.O.  
for C.S.  
28/11/40

1A

192. Circular No. 239 from S. of S. of 5/12/40.

Chief Censor

To note (192) please 9/12/40

ALL. NOW please. 2/11. C.C. 10.11.40

193-194. Telegram to Magistrate, South Georgia of 19/12/40.

Chief Censor,

To note.

for C.S.  
19/12/40.

ALL. NOW please

2/11  
Ch. L.  
25/11/40

pl

Circ. Telegram No. 217 of 19.12.40 from S. of S.

196

Chief Censor

to note.

A.C. Noted.

g.W.D.  
Ch.C.  
21.12.40

A.S. for Ch.  
20/12/40

Letter to Controller, Postal and Telegraphic Censors, of 31/12/40. 196-197.

Circular ~~Expat~~ Telegram No. 1 of 2.1.41 from S. of S. 198.  
Telegram No. 5 from S. of S. of 5/1/41. 199.

Chief Censor

What steps do you take in re (198)

A.S. 4/1/41

H.C.

for main M.V. agents

The F.I.C. submits their official mail, immediately before sailing, with a list of the papers handed to the ship's captain, who in the case of the "Fitzroy" is an Assistant Censor.

The Postmaster informs me that he is the holder of the only key issued for the Fitzroy's box which is used for inter-internal mails only.

g.W.D. Ch.C.  
6.1.41

Y.E.

Draft telegram submitted for despatch in reply to (198), please. A.S. 8/1/41

~~TTTTT~~ 11/1/41

Telegram No. 6 to S. of S. of 11/1/41.

(200)

Circular Telegram No. 10 from S. of S. of 13/1/41.

(201)

Chief Censor,

to note.

A.S. for Ch.  
13/1/41

A.C.

Noted.  
g.W.D.  
Ch.C.  
17.1.41

PA

202-203. Letter to Controller, Postal and Telegraphic Censors of 28/1/41.

R.H.

204. Circular Telegram from S. of S. of 5/2/41.

Chief Censor.

to note.

C. for C. 10/2/41.

A.C. 12.11.41

205-206 Letter to Controller, Postal and Telegraphic Censors of 17/2/41

P.A.

207. Telegram No. 38 from S. of S. of 21. 2. 41.

208. .. No. 12 .. .. . 23. 2. 41.

Chief Censor.

to note.

C. for C. 26/2/41

MS. NOTES. 20/41 we have had no more specimens. 26/2/41

209. Circular telegram No. 45 from S. of S. of 27/2/41.

P.17

210. Circ. telegram No. 49 from S. of S. of 1/3/41.

Chief Censor.

to note.

C. for C. 7/3/41.

MS NOTES 7/3/41 C.C. in rel

Letter to Controller, Postal and Telegraphic Orders of 7/3/41 211-212.

Circular Telegram No. 63. Secret, from S. of S. of 13/3/41 213. P.H.

Chief Censor,

To note Red (213)

ACS. N. 15-111-41

C. J. P. H. 14/3/41

P.H.

Circular Telegram No. 214 from S. of S. of 18/3/41.

(214)

Chief Censor,

To note

ACS. N. 20-111-41

C. J. P. H. 2/3/41

S. of S. Circular Despatch of 17/1/41.

215-216.

Chief Censor,

Have you any suggestions or amendments to offer in connection with the draft notice.

C. J. P. H. 31/3/41

ACS.

Para 4. After "stamped" insert "but unaddressed" In place of "memorandum" insert "a separate piece of paper"

Para 5. Delete "fee" substituting "postal order" Delete "plus . . . . . Kingdom"

N.B. The "unaddressed, stamped envelope" of para 4 would be used for sending on re letter to U. K.

ACS. 1. iv. 41

Government Notice No. 57 of 25/3/41 217-218.

Chief Censor, ACS. 2. iv. 41

Col Postmaster, N. 3/4/41

To note

C. J. P. H. 7/4/41

P.H.



219. Circular telegram No 86 from S. of S. of 11/4/41.

Chief Censor,

To note.

C. J. J. J.  
14/4/41.

ALS  
N. J. J. J. C. 15.10.41

220. Circ. telegram No. 91 from S. of S. of 17/4/41.

Chief Censor,

To note

ALS. N. J. J. J. C. 15.10.41

C. J. J. J.  
18/4/41

221 - 223. Letters to Controllers, Postal and Telegraphic Censor of S. of S.

224. Circular Telegram No. 114 of 2/5/41.

Chief Censor,

to see Red 224)

ALS.  
Seen. J. J. J. C. 8.5.41

C. J. J. J.  
8/5/41

225. Circ. Telegram No. 121 from S. of S. of 10/5/41.

Chief Censor.

To note.

ALS  
N. J. J. J. C. 12.5.41

C. J. J. J.  
13/5/41.

on the W. I.

MCH  
cs.  
26. 8. 39.

NATIONAL ECONOMIC  
used several times over, the address should  
then be affixed across the back of the envelope  
W. & S. Ltd.

Telegram from S. of S. of 25. 8. 39.	4.
—— " — to ——— " ———	5.
—— " — from ——— " ———	6.
—— " — to ——— " 26. 8. 39	7.
Telegrams from S. of S. 31. 8. 39	8-10.

Censor officer informed.  
MCH  
cs. 31. 8. 39.

Yk.

Reds 8-10 submitted.

MCH  
cs.  
1. 9. 39

operating  
∴ No action  
Seen. Promptly by Censorship  
~~TTTT~~ 1/9/39

Censorship is in action.

MCH  
cs.  
4. 9. 39.

Telegram from Spr. A.G. Barton of 4. 9. 39.	
Telegram to Medical Officer, Wireless Operator, Webb Island Harmer Is 1. 9. 39.	11.
Telegram to Magistrate, South Georgia 1. 9. 39.	12.
—— " — Spr. Barton, Pebble Is. 4. 9. 39.	13.
	14.

Yk.

Submitted for information.

MCH  
cs.  
8. 9. 39.

TTTT 5/9

Copy



SECRET DOCUMENTS.

I acknowledge to have this day received from  
the Colonial Secretary the undermentioned Secret  
Documents :-

- Copy 669 Handbook for the use of Telegraph  
Censors 1938
- Copy 831 Handbook for the use of Postal  
Censors 1938.
- Copy 1045 Press Censorship in time of War  
or emergency.
- Copy 1011 Cable and Radio Telegraphy Censorship  
in time of War or Emergency.
- Copy 1203 Postal Censorship in time of War  
or Emergency.
- Copy 85 Regulations for Censorship.

(sgd) J. E. Hamilton

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C.S. 145/39.

Original receipt in  
C.S. Safe. MCH

26. 8. 39.

DECODE.

TELEGRAM.

*From*.....The Secretary of State for the Colonies.

*To*.....His Excellency the Governor.

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*Despatched* :           25th August,           19 39    *Time* :

*Received* :            26th August,           19 39    *Time* :

See Preface to Defence Scheme establish general telegraph  
and Postal Censorship.   Notification issued.

SECRETARY OF STATE.



DECODE.

TELEGRAM.

*From Secretary of State for the Colonies,*

*To His Excellency the Governor.*

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*Despatched: 25th August, 19 39. Time: 1258*

*Received: 26th August. 19 39 Time: 1230.*

Circular No. 11. My Censorship telegram suspended temporarily pending further instructions. Acknowledge "Mary".

SECRETARY OF STATE.

DECODE.

TELEGRAM.

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

*To* Secretary of State for the Colonies.

*Despatched* : 26th August, 19 39. *Time* : 4.45.

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

MARY

GOVERNOR.

**FALKLAND ISLANDS.**

No. 3.

**Proclamation**

1939.

**Establishing Censorship of Mails and Telegrams.**

IN THE NAME of His Majesty GEORGE VI., by the Grace of God of Great Britain, Ireland and the British Dominions beyond the Seas, King, Defender of the Faith, Emperor of India, &c., &c., &c.

H. HENNIKER HEATON. *By His Excellency* SIR HERBERT HENNIKER HEATON, *Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over the Colony of the Falkland Islands and its Dependencies, &c., &c., &c.*

[L.S.]

WHEREAS an emergency has arisen in which it is expedient for the public service that the Government should have control over the transmission of wireless messages, and the sending of letters, postcards and parcels ;

AND WHEREAS it is expedient and necessary to warn all persons resident, carrying on business or being in the Colony of the Falkland Islands and its Dependencies of their duties and obligations ;

NOW THEREFORE, I, SIR HERBERT HENNIKER HEATON, Governor and Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over the Colony of the Falkland Islands and its Dependencies, do hereby authorise the institution of censorship over all letters, postcards and telegrams sent from the Colony of the Falkland Islands and its Dependencies, and all inter-insular communications.

**GOD SAVE THE KING.**

Given under my hand and the Public Seal of the Colony at Government House, Stanley, this 25th day of August, in the year of Our Lord One thousand nine hundred and thirty-nine.

*By Command.*

M. C. CRAIG

C.



DECODE.

TELEGRAM.

8

*From* Secretary of State for the Colonies,

*To* His Excellency the Governor.

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*Despatched:* 31st August, 19 39. *Time:* 2145.

*Received:* 31st August, 19 39. *Time:* 2200.

Circular No. 29. Secret. General telegraph and postal  
censorship re-imposed from six p.m. British summer time.  
acknowledge "JANE".

SECRETARY OF STATE.

DECODE.

TELEGRAM.

9

*From* His Excellency the Governor,

*To* Secretary of State for the Colonies.

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*Despatched* : 31st August, 19 39. *Time* : 2230.

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

Jane.

GOVERNOR.

DECODE.

TELEGRAM.

10

From Secretary of State for the Colonies,

To His Excellency the Governor.

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Despatched: 31st August, 19 39. Time: 1810.

Received: 31st August, 19 39. Time: 2230.

Circular No. 27. Secret. My telegram of today censorship.

Pending further consideration restrictions should not be imposed on messages between foreign consuls and their respective Governments.

SECRETARY OF STATE.

DECODE.

TELEGRAM

*From* Mr. Barton, Pebble Island

*To* Colonial Secretary.

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*Despatched* : 4th September, 19 39. *Time* : 9.00.

*Received* : 4th September, 19 39. *Time* : 1500.

Please state whether censorship applies to letters to Stanley from the west and vice versa.

BARTON.

(12)

# GOVERNMENT TELEGRAPH SERVICE.

FALKLAND ISLANDS AND DEPENDENCIES.

**SENT.**

Number	Office of Origin	Words	Handed in at	Date
			16.30	1(9/39.
To	MEDICAL OFFICER FOX BAY	WIRELESS OPERATOR FOX BAY		WEST FALKLAND FARMERS, FOX BAY.

A PROCLAMATION UNDER THE SEAL OF THE COLONY DATED 25TH AUGUST HAS THIS DAY BEEN BROUGHT INTO FORCE ESTABLISHING CENSORSHIP IN THE COLONY AND ITS DEPENDENCIES OF MAILS AND TELEGRAMS STOP THE FOLLOWING ARE THE ORDERS REGARDING CENSORSHIP AND DESPATCH OF CORRESPONDENCE :-

All persons should understand that the censorship regulations are necessary for their own safety and that of their comrades. Disobedience or evasion of the regulations is liable to bring disaster on their comrades and themselves.

2. All persons are warned against divulging, either in speech or in their correspondence, any information that may be useful to the enemy.

3. All reference to the following subjects is forbidden

- (a) The position at the time of writing, or the future movements of a ship of His Majesty's Navy, or of any other ship whatever, whether engaged in war service or not.
- (b) The conditions and arrangements in port.
- (c) Plans of operations, whether rumoured, surmised or known.
- (d) Criticisms of war operations or any statement harmful to the reputation of H. M. forces.

No news about any of the above subjects or war operations generally is to appear in private correspondence. Any information, however trivial it may seem to be, may prove of value to the enemy, should it fall into their hands.

4. All letters, postcards, telegrams and parcels must be sent for censorship to the Censor Officer, Post Office, Stanley.

5. All communications are to be in plain English, and no correspondence in a language or code not understood by the Censor Officer will be passed.

COLONIAL SECRETARY.

DECODE.

13

TELEGRAM.

From ..... The Colonial Secretary.

To ..... The Magistrate, South Georgia.

Despatched : 1st September, 19 39 Time : 16.30

Received : ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~ 19 Time :

A Proclamation under the Seal of the Colony dated the 25th August has this day been brought into force establishing censorship in the Colony and its Dependencies of Mails and Telegrams. All letters, postcards, telegrams and parcels must be censored by you. The following are the orders regarding Censorship and despatch of correspondence.

" All persons should understand that the censorship regulations are necessary for their own safety and that of their comrades. Disobedience or evasion of the regulations is liable to bring disaster on their comrades and themselves.

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5. All communications are to be in plain English, and no correspondence in a language or code not understood by the Censor Officer will be passed. "

except paragraph 4 which should read South Georgia after the words Post Office. No telegrams in code may be received or sent unless fully understood by you.

COLONIAL SECRETARY.

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# GOVERNMENT TELEGRAPH SERVICE.

FALKLAND ISLANDS AND DEPENDENCIES.

## SENT.

Number	Office of Origin	Words	Handed in at	Date
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4. 9. 39.

To

BARTON

PEEBLE ISLAND.

YOUR TELEGRAM WITH INSTANT CENSORSHIP APPLIES TO ALL INTER  
INSULAR COMMUNICATIONS.

COLONIAL SECRETARY.

Telephoned to W/T Station 2015 on 4. 9. 39.

Time

DECODE.

TELEGRAM.

15

From Secretary of State for the Colonies,

To His Excellency the Governor.

Despatched: 8th September, 19 39. Time: 0945.

Received: 8th September, 19 39. Time: ....

Circular No. 43. Secret Circular Secret. The following is a summary of the arrangements which is being adopted here as regards the Censorship of Diplomatic and Consular messages :-

- (a) Telegraphic Messages :- for the time being all Allied and Neutral Cables in Code, Cypher or any language passing between Diplomatic Representatives and their respective Governments and between such representatives themselves should be allowed to pass uncensored and without being detained. In places where there is no Diplomatic body representative of a Government, the Senior Consular representative of that Government should be given privileges of Diplomatic representation. In a Territory where there is more than one Consular Post of a Government the heads of such posts (except one entitled to privileges as serving conference) may correspond in Code, Cypher or in any language. They may correspond with Consular Officers entitled to privileges as Quininal Representative but not with each other.
- (b) Telephonic Messages :- Consuls are not to be allowed to telephone outside Territories to which they are appointed.
- (c) Postal Communications:- further instructions will be issued as soon as possible on this subject. You should bring above arrangements into effect in so far as Territory under your Administration is concerned.

SECRETARY OF STATE.



DECODE.

TELEGRAM.

*From* Hon. N. K. Cameron, Port San Carlos

*To* Colonial Secretary.

*Despatched* : 16th September, 19 39. *Time* : 8.30.

*Received* : 16th September, 19 39. *Time* : 1200.

Grateful if you will advise to what extent censorship of letters is being imposed. Failing some assurance that activities of censor are to be confined to opening such letters as may reasonably be suspected of conveying information to the enemy I personally do not propose to send private letters to the Stanley post office.

CAMERON.

Y. E.

Telegram from the Hon.N.K.Cameron submitted. I sent the file to Y.E. on the 15th instant regarding verbal enquiries made by Mr.Cameron on the subject of censoring letters. I fail to see how the assurance asked for can be given. I venture to say that it does not come within the province of anyone to question war measures taken by the Crown for the defence of the State.

MCH

C.S.  
17.9.39

*am not prepared to discuss*

*Please reply that to limit the discretion of the Postal Censor in examining correspondence*

~~MCH~~ 17/9/29

# GOVERNMENT TELEGRAPH SERVICE.

16

FALKLAND ISLANDS AND DEPENDENCIES.

**SENT.**

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Number	Office of Origin	Words	Handed in at	Date
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18. 9. 39.

*To*

CAMERON, PORT SAN CARLOS.

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YOUR TELEGRAM 16TH SEPTEMBER HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR  
IS NOT PREPARED TO LIMIT THE DISCRETION OF THE POSTAL CENSORS  
IN EXAMINING CORRESPONDENCE.

COLONIAL SECRETARY.

*Time*

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DECODE.

146/29

20

TELEGRAM.

From Hon. N. K. Cameron, Port San Carlos.

To Colonial Secretary.

Despatched: 19th September, 19 39. Time: 9.00.

Received: 19th September, 19 39. Time: 1200.

I regret this decision since any strict censorship of letters in this Colony is wholly unnecessary precaution. At this hour much that we all value is in jeopardy and I had been hoping that His Excellency would safeguard for us what he could of the liberty privacy dignity of our lives.

CAMERON.

C.S. 146/39.

*Yr. Submitted. The file was sent to Yr. MCH 20. 9. 59.*

*I think the file must be with Mr. Hamilton, suitable reply to the above telegram is "Rebuttal" and that the only possible reply would lack dignity & fear*

H. E.

When you get the  
Censorship file the question  
of censoring internet cor-  
respondence can again be  
raised.

I am inclined to  
think now that it might  
be considered unnecessary.

~~W. H. E.~~ 2/5/35

DECODE.

No. 206 From London TELEGRAM.

Words 92

22

From Secretary of State

To H.E. The Governor. Falkland Islands.

Despatched : 2205/28/9 19 39 Time :

Received : 19 Time :  
Circular telegram No. 69 Secret.

My telegram No. 43 Circular Secret. Instructions at the Censors Office are modified to allow the Senior Consular Representative in Colonial Territories to correspond in Code or Cypher or any language not only with his Government and Diplomatic Representatives of his own Country in Allied and Neutral Countries and with other Consular representatives of his Country in that Territory, but also with the Governor of any Territory or Dependency belonging to his own Country and with other Senior Consular agents representative of his Country who enjoy similar privileges.

2. I shall be hoping to communicate with you soon in regard to (c) in my telegram under reference secret.

Secretary of State.

# GOVERNMENT TELEGRAPH SERVICE.

23

FALKLAND ISLANDS AND DEPENDENCIES.

**RECEIVED.**

Number	Office of Origin	Words	Handed in at	Date
204.	LONDON	37.	2020	28th Sept. 1939.

To

H.E. THE GOVERNOR

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

CIRCULAR UNNUMBERED. CENSORSHIP.

INFORMATION UNDER THE HEADING GIVEN IN CENSORSHIP REGULATIONS  
PARAGRAPH 4 (TWO) SHOULD BE SENT BLANKETING LONDON BY CABLE.  
CENSORSHIP CYPHER SHOULD BE USED AND CABLE SHOULD BE PREFACED BY  
GROUP 2469 (TWO THOUSAND FOUR HUNDRED AND SIXTY NINE)

SECRETARY OF STATE.

# GOVERNMENT TELEGRAPH SERVICE.

24

FALKLAND ISLANDS AND DEPENDENCIES.

**RECEIVED.**

Number	Office of Origin	Words	Handed in at	Date
222	LONDON ETAT	33	2325	29th Sept. 1939.

To

GOVERNOR

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

CIRCULAR NO. 76. IT IS NOT PROPOSED FOR THE PRESENT TO GIVE EFFECT HERE TO PROCEDURE SUMMARIZED CENSORSHIP REGULATIONS 1 <sup>\*</sup> 4 (2), BUT MATTER WILL BE CONSIDERED AFTER EXAMINATION OF INDIVIDUAL CASES OF ENEMY ALIENS HAS BEEN COMPLETED. WHEN THE PROCEDURE IS INSTITUTED YOU WILL BE NOTIFIED AND WILL BE INFORMED OF THE INTERMEDIARIES SELECTED.

SECRETARY OF STATE.

\* should apparently be  
154 (2)



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No.

MINUTE.

(It is requested that, in any reference to this minute, the above Number and the date may be quoted).

September 30th 19 39

From Colonial Secretary

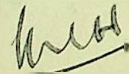
To J.E.Hamilton, Esq.

Stanley.

Censor Officer.

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

I am directed by the Governor to inform you that the work of the Censors is to be carried out in the office adjoining the Post Office on the North Side of the Town Hall. Please arrange with the Public Works Dept., to put the office in readiness for use.



Colonial Secretary.

# GOVERNMENT TELEGRAPH SERVICE. 27

FALKLAND ISLANDS AND DEPENDENCIES.

## RECEIVED.

Number	Office of Origin	Words	Handed in at	Date
14.	LONDON. ETAT.	88.	1920.	2nd Oct.1939.

To GOVERNOR

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

### SECRET CIRCULAR TELEGRAM 82.

IN CONNECTION WITH CENSORSHIP ARRANGEMENTS IT IS CONSIDERED VERY IMPORTANT THAT MESSAGES TO OR FROM PLACES WITHIN BRITISH COMMONWEALTH WHICH REFER TO OIL AND SHIPPING SHOULD WHEREEVER POSSIBLE BE SENT BY CABLE AND NOT BY WIRELESS TELEGRAPHY. PLEASE TAKE ANY ACTION IN CONSULTATION WITH LOCAL INTERESTS CONCERNED WHICH MAY BE POSSIBLE TO ENSURE THIS.

No.2. I REALISE THAT OWING TO SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES IT MAY BE IMPOSSIBLE TO EFFECT ABOVE ARRANGEMENTS~~Ø~~ OWING TO FALKLAND ISLANDS. I TRUST HOWEVER THAT EVERY EFFORT WILL BE MADE TO ENSURE SECRET OF MESSAGE OF TTE SO FAR AS THIS IS PRACTICABLE. I SUGGEST THAT IT NECESSARY MESSAGES (e.g. TO THIS COUNTRY) MIGHT BE SENT IN CYPHER THROUGH CABLE COULD BE ON RECOVERY BASIS.

SECRETARY OF STATE.

# GOVERNMENT TELEGRAPH SERVICE.

28

## FALKLAND ISLANDS AND DEPENDENCIES.

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**SENT**

RECEIVED

Number	Office of Origin	Words	Handed in at	Date
39	LONDON etat	55	1650	4.10.39.
To	GOVERNOR	FALKLAND ISLANDS		

CIRCULAR 84.

A“ CENSORSHIP PLEASE ARRANGE DRAFT STATEMENT CONTAINING PARTICULARS OF STAFF AND ORGANIZATION LOCAL CENSOR ORGANIZATION TO BE SENT AS MAIL TO CONTROLLER POSTAL AND TELEGRAPH CENSORS LONDON AND FOR SUBMISSION OF MONTHLY RETURNS REQUIRED BY PARAGRAPH 172 CENSOR REGULATIONS. RETURNS SHOULD CONTAIN REPORTS OF MATERIAL EXAMINED AND RESULTS OF SUCH EXAMINATIONS. SEE PARAGRAPH 173 AS TO METHOD OF DESPATCH.

SECRETARY OF STATE.

Time

## FAULKLAND ISLANDS.

### PARTICULARS OF STAFF AND ORGANIZATION OF THE CENSORSHIP IN THE FAULKLAND ISLANDS.

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The Censorship Staff comprises two officers (a) Mr. J.E.Hamilton, M.Sc., Postal and Cable Censor, and (b) the Reverend G.K.Lowe, Assistant Postal and Cable Censor, both of whom were appointed on August 26th 1939.

2. The Postal Censorship is established in an Office in the same building and closely adjacent to the Post Office and adequately furnished with a long table and lock-up cupboards and drawers. A supply of "Opened by Censor" labels has been printed locally and printer's ink which has been found to dry rapidly, is used for deletions when necessary. Postal material is brought to this office and there examined privately by the Censorship Officers who are careful to bear in mind the necessity of avoiding delay to the mails.

3. It should be stated that in the Falklands all mails are terminal since there are normally no transit mails. A few from H.M. Ships are landed by the Ships' Postmen in properly sealed bags after being censored by the Naval Authorities. It should be recorded that the Colonial Postmaster is anxious to facilitate operations.

4. There is no cable communication with the Falklands all telegraphic messages being transmitted by Wireless. With the exception of certain Official messages all telegrams are sent through the telegraph office which is visited usually twice a day. Copies of all unofficial messages are read in a private office and if passed are marked "Censor" with postal date-stamp ink applied by means of a rubber stamp. The

messages are censored before delivery as regards  
"received" and before transmission as regards "sent"  
messages. A file of the messages is kept in the private  
telegraph office.

(signed) J.E.HAMILTON.

Censor Officer.

Port Stanley.

7th October 1939.

Ref.No. 146/1939

Colonial Secretary's Office,  
Stanley, October 7th 1939.

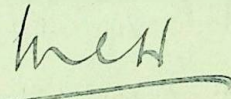
Sir,

In conformity with instructions contained in the Secretary of State's Circular telegram No. 84 of the 4th of October, 1939, I have the honour to transmit the accompanying Statement containing particulars of the staff and organization of the Local Censor Organization in the Falkland Islands.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,



Colonial Secretary.

THE CONTROLLER,  
POSTAL AND TELEGRAPH CENSORS,  
LONDON.

# GOVERNMENT TELEGRAPH SERVICE.

FALKLAND ISLANDS AND DEPENDENCIES. 34

**SENT.**

Number	Office of Origin	Words	Handed in at	Date
46	London	63	0450	5/10/39

To

To H.E.The Governor, Falkland Islands.

Circular No. 86.

My telegram of September, Circular unnumbered. Censorship.

In (?regarding) Censorship regulations, (?Communication) shall be (?maintained) in high grade cypher or (code?) used.

Since you do not possess this cypher, information should be sent in low grade cypher to the nearest or most convenient holder of a high grade cypher for (?re-) transmission .

The following hold copies of high grade cypher:

~~(2Gilbert & Ellice)~~ MALTA.  
Palestine; Aden; Zanzibar; Ceylon;  
Kenya; Straits Settlements; Hong Kong; Fiji; Nigeria;  
Gold Coast; Sierra Leone; Jamaica & Trinidad.

Secretary of State.

Dec WHRS

Time

Telegram

Received

35

No.81 London Words 63 code Time 2016/7/10/39

From S.O.S

To H.E.The Governor

Circular Telegram No.90 Censorship Staff qualified to deal with telegrams in Spanish will be available at the Telegraph Stations in United Kingdom in the near future and Bureau at Berne will then be notified that telegrams in Spanish may be exchanged between the United Kingdom and other countries which admit that language.

"A"  
Please inform me whether Territory with which you are concerned is also in a position to admit telegrams in Spanish in order that suitable notification in due course be sent to Berne on behalf of the Dependencies prepared to admit such telegrams.



TELEGRAM.

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From The Secretary of State.

To His Excellency the Governor.

Despatched: London 10.10. 19<sup>39</sup> Time: 2010  
Received: 19 Time:

Circular No.92.Secret.

Referring to my Secret Circular Telegram No.43.

Paragraph (c). Exemption from Censorship may be granted in respect of official correspondence (not private correspondence) of Senior Consular Representatives in Colonial Territory if that correspondence pass in an official bag between Consular Representative and person or persons with whom he is allowed to conduct telegraphic correspondence without censorship - i.e.as indicated in my Secret circular telgrams No.s 43 and 69. A certificate guaranteeing the official nature of each packet should be supplied by the Consul to the Censorship Authorities. Suggest that arrangements should be made for specimen signatures of Consul and one other member of his staff authorised to produce certificates in question in order that bags may be forwarded without examination.

The Secretary of State for the Colonies.

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TELEGRAM

~~SECRET~~ FROM H.E.the Governor.

To the Secretary of State.

Date 12th October 1939.

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Secret. Your Secret Circular of 9th October holder  
of war office low grade cipher copy No. 263.C.I. is  
J.E.Hamilton Censor Officer.

Governor.

DEAN BROTHERS.

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PEBBLE ISLAND,  
FALKLAND ISLANDS.

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7th. October 1939

The Hon. the Colonial Secretary,  
Stanley.

Sir,

Censorship

I desire to know whether it is the practice of the Local Censor Officers to affix an official "Opened by Censor" label to all letters or parcels opened by them.

If this is not done there will be no means of telling whether a letter that has obviously been tampered with has been opened by those who have the authority to do so.

I am informed that letters which have been sent from here through the Post Office to addresses in Stanley or the East Falkland have been opened by the Censor. Can you tell me what useful purpose this form of Censorship serves? So far as the enemy is concerned those letters were safely at their destination before ever they reached the Censor's hands.

I am, Sir,

Yours faithfully,

A. G. Barton

Manager

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No. 124 from London. Words 22 cde. Time 13.57. Date 12/10/  
To His Excellency The Governor.

Circular Telegram No. 93. Please forward for the information  
of the Controller of Censorship specimens of "Opened by  
Censor" label and "Passed by Censor" stamp.

Secretary of State.

DECODE.

TELEGRAM.

42 A

From H.E.The Governor

To Secretary of State.

Despatched : 13th October 1939 Time :

Received : 19 Time :

No..... Regret delay in replying to your circular telegram No.67. Only commercial codes available here for use of Censorship Authority are Bentleys Second Phase and Bentleys Complete.

Governor.

Govt.Code.

Handed to  
Cyber office

DECODE.

42 B

TELEGRAM.

*From* His Excellency the Governor.

*To* His Britannic Majesty's Consul General, B. Aires.

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*Despatched* : 13th October, 19 39. *Time* :

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

Request that the following message from Master of ex German ship "Carl Fritzen" be forwarded to German Consular Authority, Buenos Aires. begins. The Internees from the sunken German Steamer "Carl Fritzen" would like to have the ship's mail transmitted to Stanley and also instructional books from which they could learn English and Spanish. Mail at the office of Th. Martins, Buenos Aires.

GOVERNOR.

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DECODE.

TELEGRAM.

*From* His Excellency the Governor.

*To* The Secretary of State for the Colonies.

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*Despatched* : 14th October, 1939 *Time* : 11.30.

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

No. 96. Your circular telegram No. 90. This Colony is in a position to admit telegrams in Spanish.

GOVERNOR.

146/39.

13th October,

39.

Sir,

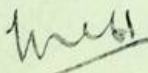
With reference to your letter of the 7th October, 1939, I am directed by the Governor to inform you that it is the practice of the local Censor Officers to affix an official "Opened by Censor" label to all letters or parcels opened by them.

2. I am to add that censorship of internal correspondence is very seldom necessary and has been so treated by the Censors up to the present.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

  
Colonial Secretary.

A. G. Barton, Esq.,  
Pebble Island,  
WEST FALKLAND.



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146/39.

25th October,

39.

Sir,

With reference to the Secretary of State's Circular telegram No. 93 of the 12th of October, 1939, I have the honour to transmit for your information the accompanying specimens of "Opened by Censor" labels and stamp used by the Censor in passing correspondence &c.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant.

*WCH*

Colonial Secretary.

The Controller,  
Postal and Telegraph Censors,  
LONDON.

DECODE.

TELEGRAM.

No. 236.

From The Secretary of State

To His Excellency the Governor.

Despatched: London, 24th October, 19 39. Time: 1740.

Received: Cypher Office 25th " 19 39. Time: 0150.

Circular 106. Secret.

Consideration has been given to policy in regard to Censorship of mails carried in transit on Neutral ships. War Cabinet has ruled that mails on Neutral ships inward bound for Europe which either call voluntarily or are diverted to ports in the Mediterranean or Red Sea are to be submitted to an approved examination. Mails on ships outward bound from Europe are only to be examined if ships call in ordinary course of trade.

2. So far therefore as most Colonial territories are concerned, general principle remains that mails on Neutral ships which call voluntarily should be censored. This will not however be necessary in certain Dependencies as to which see below, while mails need not be censored if they have been or will be censored at some other British Censorship. Thus in Eastern area main censorship ports will be Hong Kong and Singapore.

3. It is hoped that effective censorship will be established in Egypt and accordingly there need be no censorship of transit mails at Aden. Transit mails passing through Ceylon need be examined only in cases where such mails have not already been examined by a British or Allied Censor or is not proceeding on a route where it will be censored by a British or Allied Censor (this refers to the possibility of diversions via the Persian Gulf). East African territories, Mauritius and Seychelles need not censor any transit mails which will pass, or has passed, through Egypt. West African territories need not censor any transit mail which has been or will be censored in the United Kingdom or in Gibraltar.

4. Transit mail in the West Indies (including British Honduras and British Guiana) and Falkland Islands should not be censored.

5. General arrangements summarized above apply also to mail carried on Neutral aircraft which pass voluntarily through British territories.

6. Steps should be taken to ensure that the above arrangements are carried out with a minimum lapse of time by you and that examination of mails should be effected with utmost despatch.

7. Bags clearly identifiable as Consular bags carried in transit mails should not be made subject to Censorship.

Secretary of State.

146/39.

4th November,

39.

Sir,

I have the honour to confirm the following telegram despatched to you on the 13th October last:-

Red 42B

"Request that the following message from "Master of ex German ship "Carl Fritzen" be "forwarded to German Consular Authority, Buenos "Aires, begins. The Internees from the sunken "German Steamer "Carl Fritzen" would like to "have the ship's mail transmitted to Stanley and "also instructional books from which they could "learn English and Spanish. Mail at the office "of Th. Martins, Buenos Aires."

Inam,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

*WCH*

Colonial Secretary.

His Britannic Majesty's Consul,  
Buenos Aires,  
ARGENTINE REPUBLIC.

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GOVERNMENT HOUSE,  
STANLEY,  
8th November, 1939.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.  
No. 127.

*Red H.*

Sir,

With reference to your telegram Circular No. 11 of the 25th of August, 1939, I have the honour to transmit six copies of Proclamation, No. 5 of 1939, Establishing Censorship of Mails and Telegrams, made by me on the 25th of August, 1939.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient,  
humble servant,

(Sgd.) H. HENNINGER-HEATON

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE  
MALCOLM MACDONALD, M.P.,  
SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES.

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FALKLAND ISLANDS.

Censorship Office,  
STANLEY,  
7th November, 1939.

Sir,

I beg to submit a report on Censorship work  
in the Falkland Islands in accordance with *C.I.D*  
*1446 B paragraphs 170-173*

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

(J. E. Hamilton.)

The Controller,  
Postal & Telegraphic Censorship,  
LONDON.

DECODE.

TELEGRAM.

From Secretary of State

To H.E.The Governor F.I.

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Despatched :	1430/12/11/39	19	Time :
Received :	2010/12/11/39	19	Time :

Circular telegram no.114 Secret My telegram 82 circular.

In the interests of security local censorship should arrange to see that section ~~012~~ 0124 is strictly enforced unlawful application is extendede to air mails.

copy

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DECODE.

TELEGRAM.

No. 139 From London.

From Secretary of State.

To H.E. The Governor Falkland Islands.

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Despatched : 14th November 19 39 Time :

Received : 14th November 19 39 Time : 1852.

Circular No. 115 Secret.

Censorship exemption should be granted in respect of all  
correspondence terminal or transitional addressed to the  
Pope, Cardinal Secretary of State and the Secretariat of State.

Dec WHRS

DECODE.

TELEGRAM.

No. 213

From Secretary of State, London,

To His Excellency the Governor, Falkland Islands.

Despatched: 20th November 1939 Time: 14.36.

Received: 19 Time:

No. 118 Circular My telegram No. 68 Circular Secret. In view of enquiries regarding press censorship in Colonies please furnish information on the following points:-

- (1) Is a press censorship compulsory or as in this country a voluntary arrangement accepted by the press.
- (2) Is the press material received from (a) British (b) other sources outside the territory censored on arrival or only on submission by a newspaper editor for approval before publication.
- (3) Is any press censorship which is exercised judge the two principles stated in my telegram No. 68 Circular.
- (4) Is any Press censorship working smoothly. Have you any general comment.

As I am granting interviews to certain journalists at five o'clock on November 22nd would be grateful for reply before then if possible.

*H.C.P.  
In file and please reply this morning:  
Enquiries not applicable to Falkland Islands  
where the press is one Church paper conducted  
by local captain who is also Assistant  
Postal Censor*

*[Signature]* 21/11/39



DECODE.

TELEGRAM.

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

*To* Secretary of State for the Colonies.

*Despatched* : 21st November, 19 39. *Time* : ...

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

No. 120. Your Circular telegram No. 118 of 20th November enquiries not applicable to Falkland Islands where the press is one Church Paper conducted by local Chaplain who is also Assistant Postal Censor.

GOVERNOR.

Red 57

170/39.

Red Cross file # 63

DECODE.

TELEGRAM.

Etat cde Words 50

No. 7 From London.

From Secretary of State.

To H.E. The Governor Falkland Islands.

<i>Despatched:</i>	1st December	19 39	<i>Time:</i>	1652
<i>Received:</i>	1st December	19 39	<i>Time:</i>	

Red 24

Circular No. 125. My telegram No. 76 Circular.

It is hoped to introduce the procedure mentioned here early in the New Year with Thomas Cook as intermediaries. I will telegraph further as regards the application to the Colonies. As a temporary arrangement standard enquiries are being communicated through the International Red Cross but it not considered practicable to apply this procedure to the Colonies.

Stanley

Falkland Islands

December 9th.1939.

Sir,

With reference to section 170 of C.I.D.1446 B which calls for a monthly report on Censorship work,I beg to inform you that there is nothing report with reference to the month of November further than appeared in my report for October.

*you*

*December*

2. A packet of letters from the interned crew of the "Carl Fritzen" <sup>has</sup> have been forwarded separately to your Department.

*and Urunkuma*

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

(J.E.Hamilton)

Censorship Officer.

The Controller.  
Postal and Telegraphic Censorship.  
London.

SIGNAL FROM H.M.S. "EXETER"

Received 8.30 a.m.

On December 18th 1939.

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From Monday the 18th December 1939 permission has been granted for "Exeters" ships Company to send telegrams and cables of a personal nature.

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Above received from signal Station.

MCH

Colonial Secretary.  
18.12.39

*For Censor file* (68)

No.

MINUTE.

(It is requested that, in any reference to this minute, the above Number and the date may be quoted.)

19th December 19 39

From Supervisor E & T

To The Hon Colonial Secretary

Stanley.

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

In accordance with your instructions dated December 18th 1939 concerning telegrams to be accepted from the Ships Company of HMS Exeter, I have to report that until ~~xxxx~~ this evening at 7 pm I had accepted telegrams and cash from members of HMS Exeter. Approximately 450 telegrams and £120 for payment.

At 7 pm I was informed that these telegrams were not allowed to be forwarded. The information came from P.O. Gumbleton of the W/T Station.

I presume that the instructions should have been received from The Colonial Secretary but, under the circumstances that the order originated from Rear Admiral Sir Henry Harwood all the telegrams have been held in this office.

The question now arises as to how the various payments are to be refunded to the senders of these telegrams and in this connection I would be grateful for instructions.

*O. Mercer.*  
Sup E & T.  
19.12.39

146/39.

21st December, 39.

Reverend Sir,

I am directed by the Governor to inform you that His Excellency has been pleased to approve you receiving payment at the rate of 7/6 per day in respect of the work of Assistant Postal and Cable Censor which you were detailed to perform.

2. Payment will commence from the 26th August, 1939, inclusive.

I am,

Reverend Sir,

Your obedient servant,

Colonial Secretary.

Captain the Reverend  
G. K. Lowe,  
STANLEY.

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No. 446/39.

(It is requested that, in any reference to this minute, the above Number and the date may be quoted).

MINUTE.

21st December, 1939.

From The Colonial Secretary,

To The Quartermaster,

F. Is. Defence Force,

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

STANLEY.

Please note that His Excellency the Governor has approved payment being made to Captain the Reverend G. K. Lowe at the rate of 7/6 per day from the 26th August, 1939, inclusive.

2. This payment is in respect of the part time work of Assistant Postal and Cable Censor which Captain Lowe was detailed to perform.

*MCH*

Colonial Secretary.

In file

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DECODE.

TELEGRAM.

No. 217. From Secretary of State, London,

To His Excellency The Governor, Falkland Islands.

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Despatched: 13th December 19 39 Time: 13.20.

Received: 19 Time:

No. 112 Secret. My telegram No. 100. Manager Salvesen's Whaling Station has been permitted(®) to send his weekly catch reports in the private code of the company on the understanding that the concession is limited to such reports.

Please inform Magistrate at South ~~Georgi~~ Georgia.



DECODE.

TELEGRAM.

*Censor file*

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From London

To H.E. The Governor

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Despatched : 0515/23 19 Time :

Received : 1015/23 19 Time :

121. Secret.

Admiralty anxious all possible safeguards should be taken to prevent leakage of information regarding movements of H.M. ships or convoys. You will appreciate the danger of apparently innocent messages containing highly disguised reports of a very different character. Important censor staff should if possible include experts in detecting such evasions. Assume you will notify me if your censor staff needs strengthening.

Secretary of State

PR JEM

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A.B.C. SYSTEM  
A.I.

23rd December 1939.

Sir,

Telegraphic Codes.

We have received a letter from our Bankers in London, in which they state:-

"Although code is not at present permitted arrangements are now being made to allow the use of certain specified codes and are awaiting official instructions as to when, and what, codes may be used."

This communication is dated London 7th November 1939.

We therefore beg to enquire whether any such arrangements have as yet been authorized for the use of telegraphic codes.

Thanking you in anticipation for your courtesy and kind attention, we remain,

Yours faithfully,

p.p. Estate Louis Williams.

The Hon.

The Colonial Secretary

Stanley.

H.C.S.

I have pencilled and  
initialled the relevant passages  
in Red (60) Red (62) and Red (69).

? Codes will be permitted on Jan 1.

? Coded Telegrams to U.K need not  
be decoded here if we have not the  
books, but should be accompanied  
by a decode and bear the proper  
indications (Red 59 last line)

? A telegram confirming red (62)  
para 1 is to be expected

J. H. C. S.

20/XII/39

146/39.

28th December, 39.

Sir,

*Red 75*

With reference to your letter of the 23rd of December, 1939, I have the honour to inform you that the use of codes for communications to the United Kingdom is authorised from the 1st of January, 1940. For Censorship purposes a decode should accompany the coded message.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

*W.H.*

Colonial Secretary.

The Manager,  
Estate Louis Williams,  
STANLEY.

# GOVERNMENT TELEGRAPH SERVICE.

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FALKLAND ISLANDS AND DEPENDENCIES.

## RECEIVED.

Number	Office of Origin	Words	Handed in at	Date
77	London	83		23.12.39
To	Postmaster	146/39.		
	Stanley.			

V/NN We are agreeable and authorities here have concurred to receive one free personal message of moderate length at free expense from each officer and man of EXETER fully addressed to relatives in any place and also to handle free reply from such relatives stop We propose send you replies with merely name of recipient and Stanley stop Messages to and from you should bear SUPR repeat SUPR in service instructions stop We should prefer this traffic over our direct circuit and should be grateful for your co-operation.

Empiregram Western.



BRITISH CONSULATE GENERAL

BUENOS AIRES,

18th October, 1939.

(5/15)

Sir,

With reference to Mr. Perkins' conversation by telephone yesterday with Mr. Leslie, I have to confirm that the following telegram was received from His Excellency the Governor of the Falkland Islands, dated 13th instant;-

"Request following message from ex German ship "CARL FRITZEN" be forwarded German Consular Authorities Buenos Aires. Begins: "The internees from sunken German "CARL FRITZEN" would like to have ships mail transmitted to STANLEY and also instruction books from which they could learn English and Spanish. Mail at office T. Martin (Theo Martens) Buenos Aires."

It is now understood from enquiries made that the mail for the crew of this vessel was forwarded by the ship's Agent in Buenos Aires to the Cía. Ribereña de La Plata at Montevideo. In the circumstances, I should be glad if you could arrange for it to be conveyed to the Falkland Islands by the s.s. "LAFONIA".

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

(signed) G. Edgar Vaughan.

N.O.W. Steward, Esq.,

H.M. Consul,

MONTEVIDEO.

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BRITISH CONSULATE GENERAL

BUENOS AIRES,

22nd November, 1939.

(5/15)

Sir,

*Red 60*

With reference to your despatch No. 146/39 of the 4th November regarding the mail for the internees from the sunken German vessel "CARL FRITZEN", I have the honour to enclose copy of a despatch addressed to His Majesty's Consul at Montevideo dated 18th October, regarding this matter.

Mr. Theo Martens who was interviewed at the time, stated that he would be able to send the instruction books required.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

The Colonial Secretary,  
Port Stanley,  
FALKLAND ISLANDS.

146/39.

4th January, 39.

Sir,

*Recd 80*

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter (5/15) of the 22nd of November, 1939, enclosing a copy of a despatch addressed to His Majesty's Consul at Montevideo dated the 18th October regarding the mail for the internees from the sunken German vessel "Carl Fritzen".

2. The internees in question have now left the Colony.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

*MCH*

Colonial Secretary.

His Britannic Majesty's  
Consul General,  
BUENOS AIRES.





# INVOICE.

(Advice Copy)

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## THE CROWN AGENTS FOR THE COLONIES.

Dr. to Messrs. **SIMPKIN MARSHALL Limited.**,

of **Stationers Hall Court, E.C.4**

Date **October 25 t. 1939.**

Crown Agents' Reference **Various. 1073/65.**

Indent No. **Authy. C. 1r. 6075/16/39.**

Special a/c (if any) **Falkland Islands.**

Department

Shipped by **S.S./M.V.**

or  
Date of posting



2. 10. 39  
To be filled in by Contractor.

Item Nos.	Quantity.	Description of Article in wording of Tender.	Weight.				Rate.	£ s. d.			£ s. d.		
			T.	c.	q.	lb.		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
	1	Petersons commercial code. 3rd. ed.				5		7	10	0			
								7	6				
								7	2	6			
								2	0				
											27	4	6
		TO:--  The Colonial Secretary Stanley, Falkland Islands.  permit B.67.											

146/39



MEMO.

S.G. No.....

C.S. No.....

16th December, 1939.

*From :-*

*To :-*

THE MAGISTRATE,  
South Georgia.

The Honourable,  
THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,  
Stanley.

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I would be grateful if I may have by first opportunity  
15,000 'Opened by Censor' labels.

*L. Barlas*  
MAGISTRATE.

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MEMO.

S.G. No. M. 9/39.

C.S. No.....

5th January, ..... 19 40.

*From :-*

*To :-*

THE MAGISTRATE,

The Honourable,

South Georgia.

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,

Stanley.

I would be grateful if I may have by first opportunity  
6,000 'Opened by Censor' labels.

*L. Badas*  
Magistrate.

DECODE.

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TELEGRAM.

No. 231 From Secretary of State, London,.....

To His Excellency The Governor, Falkland Islands.

Despatched: 14th January 19 40 Time: 08.10.

Received: 19 Time:

Circular No. 2. Secret. With reference to my telegram No. 92 Circular October 19th 1939. Conclusion has been reached that clearly identifiable official correspondence between senior consular representative in a Colonial Territory and departments or persons with whom he is allowed to conduct telegraphic correspondence without censorship (my telegrams Circular No. 43 and No. 69 Secret) should not in practice be subject to censorship whether it passes in an official bag or not. Please arrange for effect to be given to above procedure. This means that other consular correspondence will remain subject to censorship but it is desirable that in practice reasonable discretion should be used in censoring it particularly in case of correspondence of French and United States Consuls.

Letters addressed to heads of states not at war with His Majesty should not be censored.

STANLEY,  
FALKLAND ISLANDS,  
25th January, 1940.

Sir,

With reference to section 170 of C.I.D. 1446 B which calls for a monthly report on censorship work, I beg to inform you that there is nothing to report with reference to the month of <sup>JANUARY</sup> December.

2. A packet of letters from the interned crew of the "Carl Fritzen" and "Ussukuma" has been forwarded separately to your Department. These men have now been removed to South Africa in one of H.M. Ships.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

Censorship Officer.

2. A packet of letters ~~for the crew~~ addressed to members of the crews of German ships recently interned here, is forwarded in a separate <sup>cover</sup> packet. Since they bear no mark of British censorship, some are direct from neutral countries.

3. The letters enclosed, being in German could not be dealt with here.

The Controller,  
Postal and Telegraphic Censorship,  
LONDON.

DECODE.

TELEGRAM.

*Consent  
file* 92

146/39

No. 375 . From Secretary of State, London, .....

To His Excellency The Governor, Falkland Islands .

*Despatched:* 24th January 1940 *Time:* 02.45.

*Received:* 19 *Time:*

Circular No. 8. It is proposed shortly to consider the use of Portuguese and Italian in telegraphic messages exchanged between United Kingdom and other countries which admit these languages. Please inform me whether Territory with which you are concerned is also in position to admit telegrams in Portuguese and or acceptance.

DECODE.

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TELEGRAM.

*From His Excellency the Governor.*

*To Secretary of State for the Colonies.*

*Despatched: 30th January 19 40 Time: ...*

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

No. 14. Your Circular telegram No. 8 Colony is in a position to admit telegrams in Italian but not in Portuguese.

GOVERNOR.

Reg 92.



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STANLEY,

FALKLAND ISLANDS,

19th February, 1940.

97 March

Sir,

With reference to section 170 of C.I.D. 1446 B which calls for a monthly report on Censorship work, I beg to inform you that there is nothing to report with reference to the month of January.

2. A packet of letters addressed to members of the crews of German ships recently interned here is forwarded in a separate cover since they bear no mark of British censorship) some are direct from neutral countries.

I understand and that these men are now interned at Simonstown, South Africa,

3. The letters enclosed, being in Chinese could not be dealt with here.

~~Two.~~

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

J.H.D.

Censorship Officer.

The Controller,  
Postal and Telegraphic Censorship,  
London.

DECODE.

TELEGRAM.

*Censor file* (99)

N8. 12 From Secretary of State, London,

To His Excellency The Governor, Falkland Islands.

*Despatched:* 2nd March 1940 *Time:* 04.00.

*Received:* 19 *Time:*

Circular No. 23 Following orders have been issued to all censors in the United Kingdom Begins. Lloyds Shipping Telegrams.

Inward telegrams addressed to Lloyds and containing particulars of movements or casualties to - (a) Neutral ships sailing in convoy (b) Neutral ships under British or Allied Charter (c) Other Neutral ships where otherwise nature of their voyage would make censorship message relating to them desirable; are to be passed uncensored.

Ends. Please arrange for all telegraph censors to be informed.

G. T. C.

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STANLEY,

FALKLAND ISLANDS,

10th March, 1940.

Sir,

With reference to section 170 of C.I.D. 1446 B which calls for a monthly report on Censorship work, I beg to inform you that there is nothing to report with reference to the month of February, 1940.

2. A packet of letters addressed to members of the crews of German ships recently interned here is forwarded in a separate cover since they bear no mark of British censorship. I understand that these men are now interned at Simons town, South Africa.

3. The letters enclosed, being in Chinese could not be dealt with here.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

Censorship Officer.

The Controller,  
Postal and Telegraphic Censorship,  
LONDON.

DECODE.

TELEGRAM.

From Colonial Secretary, .....

To Deputy Postmaster, Fox Bay, West Falkland.

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Despatched : 10th March, 19 40. Time : ...

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

Please proceed with despatch of mails referred to in my telegram of 6th March censoring not necessary.

COLONIAL SECRETARY.

Red 105  
in M.P. 211/37

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CIRCULAR

Downing Street,

28th December, 1939.



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Recd

Sir,

With reference to my circular telegram No. 125 of the 1st December and previous correspondence, I have the honour to inform you that arrangements are being made whereby correspondence can be sent from this country to persons in enemy or enemy-occupied territory through the agency of Messrs. Thomas Cook & Son Ltd.

2. The procedure which will be adopted is briefly as follows. Anyone in this country wishing to write to a person in enemy or enemy-occupied territory will forward the letter in an envelope addressed to Messrs. Thomas Cook & Son Ltd., Secretary's Department, Berkeley Street, Piccadilly, London, W.1, enclosing also (a) a memorandum containing the name and full address of the sender; (b) an open addressed envelope for the forwarding of any reply; (c) a fee of 2/-. Messrs. Thomas Cook & Son will then be responsible for arranging for the transmission of the letters to the censorship authorities, who will pass them on to Messrs. Cook's branch in Amsterdam, where they will be posted to Germany. Any reply received from Germany will be addressed to a Post Box in Amsterdam rented by Messrs. Thomas Cook. The replies will then be sent to Messrs. Thomas Cook & Son Ltd. in London and, after they have been censored, Messrs. Thomas Cook will forward them to the addressees.

The Officer Administering  
the Government of

3. I enclose, for your information, a copy of a notice which it is proposed to issue here in regard to the arrangements described above. I would invite attention, in particular, to what is said in paragraph 1 concerning certain matter which must not appear in, or be enclosed with, any letter addressed to enemy territory or enemy-occupied territory.

4. Messrs. Thomas Cook & Son Ltd. are prepared to act as intermediaries, on a similar basis, for the forwarding of correspondence between Colonial Dependencies and enemy and enemy-occupied territory. Each Government which wishes to adopt the arrangement should designate an officer (say the Chief Censor) to whom each letter addressed by individuals in the Colony to enemy or enemy-occupied territory should be sent in the first instance. This officer would be responsible for seeing that such a letter was censored and then, assuming that it were passed by the censor, would post it with enclosures as at (a) and (b) in paragraph 2 above to Messrs. Thomas Cook & Son Ltd., Secretary's Department, Berkeley Street, Piccadilly, London, W.1, who would arrange for its onward transmission in the manner described above. If a reply is received, Messrs. Thomas Cook would send this direct to the writer of the original letter. Such a reply would have been censored on entry into this country, and it would, I think, be an unnecessary complication for it to be returned via the Colonial Government concerned. A record would be kept of each letter forwarded to Messrs. Thomas Cook & Son Ltd. for transmission to enemy or enemy-occupied territory, and the Crown Agents for the Colonies would be asked by the Government concerned to make a quarterly payment from the funds

of the Colony to Messrs. Thomas Cook calculated at the rate of 2/- for each letter so forwarded. The Colonial Government would, of course, collect a fee from the writer of each letter equivalent to the 2/- fee which would be payable by the Government to Messrs. Thomas Cook & Son Ltd., plus the cost of such postage as would be paid by the Colonial Government.

5. It will be appreciated that under the above arrangement both the original letter from London onwards and any reply would have to be sent by surface mail, since the 2/- fee would clearly not cover air-mail charges, although it would of course be possible in any given case for a Colonial Government so to adjust the postage charged to the original writer to enable the letter sent by the Government to Messrs. Thomas Cook in London to be forwarded by air mail.

6. Messrs. Thomas Cook & Son Ltd. are in a position to begin the above procedure at once and there is no objection to its immediate introduction in the Colonial Dependencies. I suggest, therefore, that Colonial Governments who wish to avail themselves of it should notify Messrs. Thomas Cook direct (at Berkeley Street, Piccadilly) and should make the necessary arrangements for publicity locally - i.e. on the lines of the enclosed notice, with appropriate modifications.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient, humble servant,

*Malcolm Macdonald*

Colonial Secretary's Office,  
Stanley, Falkland Islands.  
23rd March, 1940.

His Excellency the Governor directs the publication for general information of the following Notes for the guidance of persons wishing to communicate with friends in enemy countries or a country in the occupation of the enemy.

By Command,

*Mess*

Colonial Secretary.

1. Letters should be written in English or German without the address of the sender, and must contain nothing but matter of personal interest. No enclosure of the following nature is permitted - any printed matter, map, plan, sketch, drawing, print, photograph or other descriptive or pictorial representation, or postage or revenue stamp. No reference should be made to any phase of the war. No mention may be made in such letters of any office of Thos. Cook & Son, Ltd., at home or abroad.
2. Communications must be as brief as possible in order to avoid delay in censoring.
3. Letters must be placed in an open envelope fully addressed to the addressee.
4. The envelope containing the letter should be placed in an outer envelope and sent to the Chief Censor, Stanley, together with the name and full address of the sender in block letters on a separate sheet of paper, and an open addressed envelope for the forwarding of a reply, should one be received from the correspondent. The correspondent in Germany should be informed, if he wishes to send a reply, that the reply should be addressed to the sender care of Post Box 601 Amsterdam.



5. The communication must be accompanied by a fee of 2/- plus a sum sufficient to cover cost of postage to the United Kingdom. The fee of 2/- will cover

(1) The postage of one envelope containing one communication to the neutral country from the United Kingdom.

(2) Postage from the neutral country to the enemy country.

(3) In case a reply is sent from the correspondent in the enemy country, the fee also includes postage from the neutral country to Messrs. Cook's Head Office.

(4) Letters exceeding one ounce in weight will be subject to an additional charge.

(5) Thos. Cook & Son, Ltd., undertake this transaction at the sole risk in all respects of the party requiring their services, and on the express understanding that no action will lie against them by reason of any act or default on their part or on the part of any person or agent employed by them.

(6) Money cannot be sent to Germany in letters as mentioned above, but it is possible to obtain permission from the Controller, Trading with the Enemy Branch, to send money in cases where the Authorities consider such course to be warranted. Normally such permission is only granted where the recipient is a British subject or a widow of British birth. Thos. Cook & Son, Ltd., can give information as to arrangements for obtaining licences for such remittances, and for the transmission of payments if the licence is granted.

(7) Communications for Prisoners of War (i.e. British and Allied Naval Military and Air Force prisoners and civilian internees) must not be sent under the foregoing arrangement, but forwarded in accordance with the regulations to be obtained at any Post Office.

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DECODE.

TELEGRAM.

No. 263

From Rear Admiral South American Division,

To His Excellency the Governor, Falkland Islands.

Despatched : 23rd March 19 40 Time : 17.59.

Received : 19 Time :

I understand postcards and possibly letters have been left at Falkland Islands by ship's company H.M.S. Hawkins for despatch to England by local mail. As this is contrary to Admiralty instructions and my direct orders issued to ships request your censor organization may ~~not~~ hold these and return them to Commanding Officer H.M.S. Hawkins.

I.D.

No. 146/39.

(It is requested that, in any reference to this minute, the above Number and the date may be quoted).

MINUTE.

1st April, 19 40.

From The Colonial Secretary,

To The Magistrate,

South Georgia.

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

With reference to your Minutes of the 16th December, 1939, and the 5th of January, 1940, I am directed to inform you that a supply of 'Opened by Censor' labels have been forwarded to you under separate cover.

  
Colonial Secretary.

*Reds 88 & 89.*

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COMMUNICATION WITH PRISONERS OF WAR INTERNED ABROAD.

1. Subject to the restrictions set forth in the following regulations, Letters, Port-cards and Parcels may be sent free of all postal charges to Prisoners of War (of whatever Nationality) interned abroad whether in enemy or neutral countries. In the following paragraphs the term "Prisoners of War" includes all interned persons, naval, military, air force, or civilian. The arrangements outlined in paragraphs 8 and 9 apply only to British (including Dominion and Colonial) prisoners of war.

LETTER POST.

2. Letters must have on the outside flap of the envelope the name and address of the sender except in the case of a member of His Majesty's Forces who must not give his address. Such member, if he has a relative or friend in this country to whose care a reply can be sent, must give the address of the relative or friend and arrange for letters so addressed to be forwarded to him.

3. The words "Prisoners of War Post" should be written in the top left hand corner of the cover.

4. The address of Letters and Post-cards, whether for officers, other ranks or civilians, must be in the following form and must be written distinctly in INK. The address should be written on the letter itself as well as on the cover. The place of internment, if known, should always be stated.

Form of Address.

- (i) Navy, Army, or Air Force number<sup>+</sup>, rank, initials and name.
- (ii) British (or French etc.) Prisoner of War.
- (iii) Prisoner of War Number.
- (iv) Camp No. or place of internment.
- (v) Country.

+ In the case of Naval ratings or other ranks of the Army or Royal Air Force.

Examples of Address.

Prisoners of War Post.

- No. P/J.I. 125001 A.B. J. Smith.
- (or) No. 123456 Corporal T. Atkins.
- (or) No. 567089 Leading Aircraftman K. Jones.

British Prisoner of War, No.....

Camp No. or place of internment,  
Germany.

5. No attempt should be made to communicate with Prisoners of War through intermediaries in neutral countries.

6. Letters should not exceed two sides of a sheet of note-paper and should be clearly written; otherwise they are liable to delay and may even not be delivered by the authorities in the country to which they are addressed.

7. Letters and Post-cards must not contain any information that might be of use to the enemy. No reference to the naval, military, economic or political situation, or to naval or military movements or organisations is allowed. Photographs, picture postcards, or pictorial representations of any kind must not be sent. Any enclosure whatever in a letter may entail delay.

PARCEL POST.

8. Parcels for British (including Dominion and Colonial) Prisoners of War in Germany.

(i) Parcels containing food (except bar chocolate) cannot be sent by relatives or friends to the above mentioned prisoners. Persons desiring to send such parcels to a Prisoner of War in Germany should send money for the purpose to the Secretary, Prisoners of War Department, British Red Cross Society and Order of St. John of Jerusalem, the Lord Chamberlain's Office, St. James's Palace, London, S.W. 1. Letters addressed to the British Red Cross Society must be prepaid.

(ii) Personal Parcels.

(a) The relatives of a Prisoner of War interned in Germany are allowed to send a "personal" parcel once every three months through the British Red Cross Society. Such parcels must

bear a special label, for which application should be made to the British Red Cross Society; unless they bear such a label they cannot be accepted. The address on the Red Cross label which will be completed by the Society before issue will be in the following form :-

No. P/J.I. 125001 A.B. J. Smith.  
(or) No. 123456 Corporal T. Atkins.  
(or) No. 567089 Leading Aircraftman K. Jones,

British Prisoner of War in Germany,

c/o Prisoners of War, Wounded and Missing  
Department,  
St. James's Palace, (Friary Court)

London, S.W. 1.

The British Red Cross Society will repack the parcels, under the supervision of a representative of the Censorship, before despatch abroad and withdraw any prohibited articles for return to the sender.

(b) In addition the name and address of the sender must be clearly shown on the cover unless the sender is a member of His Majesty's Forces who, instead of his own address, should give that of a relative or friend in the United Kingdom to whose care any prohibited articles may be returned.

(c) A parcel may not weigh more than 11 lb. Packing in the same manner as in the inland service will suffice. Customs Declarations and Despatch Notes are not required.

(d) A list of the contents should be inserted inside the parcel.

(e) Prohibited Articles : The following articles may not be sent in a "personal" parcel to a prisoner of war in Germany.

- (i) Cigarettes, cigarette papers or food (except bar chocolate) (see paragraph 8 (i) ).
- (ii) Photographic apparatus, field glasses, sextants, compasses, electric torches, and other instruments of use for military and naval purposes.
- (iii) Medical comforts and drugs.
- (iv) Any of the Articles mentioned in paragraph 9 (e) below as prohibited from despatch to prisoners of war in neutral countries.

(f) The Prisoners of War Department, British Red Cross Society, will be prepared to suggest articles which are suitable

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for inclusion in "personal" parcels.

9. Parcels for British (including Dominion and Colonial) Prisoners of War in neutral countries.

(a) Parcels for Prisoners of War in neutral countries must be forwarded through the Prisoners of War Department, British Red Cross Society, where they will be repacked before despatch abroad and any prohibited articles withdrawn for return to the senders. A parcel should bear on the cover the complete address of the prionsner as for letters (see paragraph 4) with the addition of the words :-

c/o Prisoners of War, Wounded and Missing Department,  
British Red Cross Society and Order of St. John,  
St. James's Palace (Friary Court),  
London, S.W. 1.

(b) In addition the name and address of the sender must be clearly shown on the cover unless the sender is a member of His Majesty's Forces who, instead of his own address, should give that of a relative or friend in the United Kingdom to whose care any prohibited articles may be returned.

(c) A parcel may not weigh more than 11 lb. Packing in the same manner as in the inland service will suffice. Customs Declarations and Despatch notes are not required.

(d) A list of the contents should be inserted inside the parcel.

(e) Prohibited Articles : The following articles must not be included in a parcel for a prisoner of war interned in a neutral country :-

- (i) Written communications (letters must be sent separately by letter post).
- (ii) Printed matter (except authorised printed forms of acknowledgement sent by a British Red Cross packing organisation.)
- (iii) Pictorial illustrations and photographs.
- (iv) Money.
- (v) Stationery, stamps, playing cards.
- (vi) Tins or other receptacles which cannot conveniently be opened for inspection.
- (vii) Spirits or solidified spirit for cooking stoves, matches, or other inflammable material.

Miscellaneous.)

10. Printed Matter : Members of the public desiring to have books, packs of cards or games sent to Prisoners of War in enemy or neutral countries may give orders for their despatch to holders of special permits issued by the Censorship (in most cases publishers or newsagents). Newspapers and periodicals may be ordered in the same way for despatch to Prisoners of War in neutral countries, but not to prisoners of war in Germany. Holders of permits can accept only orders for despatch: they can in no case accept printed matter for forwarding.

11. Customs Duty is not normally levied on parcels addressed to Prisoners of War.

January, 1940.

General Post Office.



No. 30.

GOVERNMENT NOTICE.

Colonial Secretary's Office,  
Stanley, Falkland Islands,  
10thvApril, 1940.

His Excellency the Governor directs the publication for general information of the following leaflet which has been issued by the General Post Office, London, regarding the postal facilities available for despatching correspondence and parcels from the United Kingdom to prisoners of war and civilians interned abroad.

By Command,

*[Signature]*  
Colonial Secretary.

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STANLEY,

FALKLAND ISLANDS,

12th April, 1940.

Sir,

With reference to section 170 of C.I.D. 1446 B which calls for a monthly report on Censorship work, I beg to inform you that there is nothing to report with reference to the month of March, 1940.

2. A packet of letters addressed to members of the crews of German ships recently interned here is forwarded herewith, since they bear no mark of British censorship. I understand that these men are now interned at Simons town, South Africa.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

Censorship Officer.

The Controller,  
Postal and Telegraphic Censorship,  
LONDON.

146/39.

12th April,

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Sir,

In conformity with Secretary of State's Circular telegram, No. 84 of the 4th of October, 1939, I am directed by the Governor to transmit for your information the accompanying monthly Report on Censorship work in the Colony.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

*(Sgd.) A.W. Cardwell*

Colonial Secretary.

THE CONTROLLER,  
POSTAL AND TELEGRAPHIC CENSORS,  
LONDON.

DECODE.

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TELEGRAM.

No. 311 From Secretary of State, London,.....

To His Excellency the Governor, Falkland Islands.

Despatched : 23rd April 19 40 Time : 17.00.

Received : 19 Time :

Circular No. 46. Notice has been issued to telegraph offices in this country to the effect that private radio telegrams may now be accepted for transmission to neutral ships but not to British or allied ships.

Private radio telegrams mean messages concerning private and personal affairs in no way connected with business or owners or agents. Such radio telegrams can only be accepted at risk of sender; must be written in plain English or French and are subject to censorship.

You may grant similar facilities.

For your information such messages cannot be sent to neutral ships in convoy or to neutral ships chartered by the British Government. As neither sender nor telegraph staff would know whether neutral ship was in convoy or under charter or not it would be necessary to accept messages for any neutral ship. Any telegram which could not be delivered would be returned to sender.

Colonial stations responsible for direct shore to ship traffic should consult local naval authorities of Commander-in-Chief of the area concerned in any case of doubt or difficulty.

C. O. 1.

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No. 40.

GOVERNMENT NOTICE.

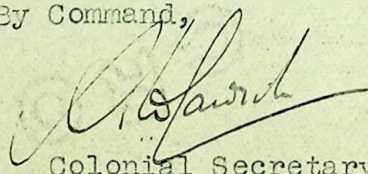
Colonial Secretary's Office,  
Stanley, Falkland Islands,  
25th April, 1940.

It is hereby notified, for general information, that private radio telegrams may now be accepted for transmission to neutral ships but not to British or allied ships.

Private radio telegrams mean messages concerning private and personal affairs in no way connected with business or owners or agents.

Such radio telegrams can only be accepted at the risk of the sender, must be written in plain English or French and are subject to censorship.

By Command,



Colonial Secretary.

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TELEGRAM.

No. 334 From Secretary of State, London,

To His Excellency the Governor, Falkland Islands.

Despatched: 25th April 19 40 Time: 16.55.

Received: 19 Time:

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Red (90)

Circular Telegram No. 47 Secret. My Circular Telegram No. 43 of September 7th 1939, Paragraph (c). Some misunderstanding appears to exist as to treatment to be accorded to diplomatic mail owing I regret to absence of precise instructions in my Circular Telegram No. 92 of October 10th 1939. Letters and Postal Packets which are addressed to, or bear an external indication that they emanate from, a State Department, Embassy or Legation of any power not at war with His Majesty are to be granted exemption from censorship. Official Diplomatic bags are also exempted. The instructions in my Telegram Circular No. 2 of January 14th as regards consular correspondence still stands.

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DECODE.

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TELEGRAM.

No. 351 *From* Secretary of State, London,

*To* His Excellency the Governor, Falkland Islands.

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*Despatched*: 27th April                      19 40      *Time*: 06.50.

*Received*:                                      19              *Time*:

Circular Maritime No. 5. Following for guidance censorship.

All ~~XX~~ telegrams and letters to masters or crews of Danish or Norwegian ships are not to be passed if they contain any threats to master or crew by Gestapo or otherwise.

C.O.1.

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STANLEY,  
FALKLAND ISLANDS,

7th May, 1940.

Sir,

With reference to section 170 of C.I.D. 1446 B which calls for a monthly report on Censorship work, I beg to inform you that there is nothing to report with reference to the month of April, 1940.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

Censorship Officer.

The Controller,  
Postal and Telegraphic Censorship,  
LONDON.



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CIRCULAR



Downing Street,

29th March, 1940.

Sir,

Red/ok.

AMM

With reference to my circular despatch of the 28th of December, 1939, regarding the arrangements whereby correspondence may be sent to persons in enemy or enemy-occupied territory through the agency of Messrs. Thomas Cook and Son, Limited, I have the honour to inform you that my attention has been drawn to instances in which consignments of letters have been sent to Messrs. Cook by the officer designated in accordance with the instructions contained in paragraph 4 of the despatch but without advice or covering letter, and without any indication of censorship.

2. While it is not suggested that letters which are being sent to enemy territory through a neutral intermediary should bear outward marks of British censorship, it is considered that each consignment should be accompanied by a certificate to the effect that the letters have been censored to the extent deemed necessary by the local Government to ensure that they may be safely passed without further examination in this country.

3. I shall be obliged, therefore, if, where necessary, arrangements may be made accordingly.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient, humble servant,

*Malcolm MacDonald*

The Officer Administering  
the Government of

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GOVERNMENT HOUSE,  
STANLEY,  
13th May, 1940.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.  
No. 62.

My Lord,

With reference to Mr. Secretary MacDonald's  
Circular telegram Saving of the 29th of February,  
1940, I have the honour to transmit three copies  
of the Falkland Islands Gazettes containing notifi-  
cations and regulations imposing censorship in the  
Colony and its Dependencies.

*Red 134*

I have the honour to be,

My Lord,

Your Lordship's most  
obedient humble servant,

*(Signature)*

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE  
LORD LLOYD, G.C.S.I., etc.,  
SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES.

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Hon.Col.Sec.

With reference to censorship of mails consigned direct from Fox Bay to destinations beyond the Colony I would venture to submit that since there is no regular censorship established at Fox Bay an officer might be appointed in the interests of security and I would suggest that the Medical Officer would be the most suitable person.

*J.E. Hamilton*

(J.E.Hamilton)

Chief Censor Officer

24th May 1940

CENSORSHIP NOTICE.

A regulation has been made by His Excellency the Governor making it necessary for the sender of postal packets of all descriptions to write his or her name and address on the outside cover. Failure to comply may involve not only delay but possibly even greater penalties.

MEMORANDUM.

31 May

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From  
THE FALKLAND ISLANDS COMPANY, LTD.,  
STANLEY.

To

Would there be any objection on your part to information being given as requested in the attached letter.

*J. Greer*

Letter from First National Bank of Chicago was attached. It has been returned to the F.I.C. JAG.  
5-31-40



Hon. Col. Sec.

att<sup>d</sup> was sent to  
the censor but I feel  
that such comprehensive  
queries should be  
submitted to a higher  
authority.

J. E. Carrington

c. c.

3-41-40

CENSORSHIP NOTICE.

The other day it was announced that all postal packets must bear the name and address of the sender on the outside cover.

In order to make quite clear the meaning of the expression postal packet it is now notified that this refers to all letters, postcards and all other packets sent through the Post Office.

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Mr. Crocco,

With reference to the letter from the First National Bank of Chicago, so long as you draw your information from what has been printed and published there would be no objection to your supplying it. This would of course not be possible with regard to para 4a which must be left to your discretion.

2. Would you be so kind as to submit a copy of your letter?

(J.E.Hamilton)

Chief Censor.

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DECODE.

TELEGRAM.

No. 265

From Secretary of State, London,

To His Excellency the Governor, Falkland Islands.

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*Despatched:* 19th June 1940 *Time:* 15.00.

*Received:* 19 *Time:*

No. 103 Circular Confidential. Local censorship should always notify United Kingdom censorship by telegram whenever mail bags for Censorship Headquarters are despatched care of Commanders of ships. The bags should be labelled The Director Postal and Telegraphical Censorship Prudential Building London E.C.1.

G. T. C.

DECODE.

TELEGRAM.

No. 365      *From* Secretary of State, London,

*To* His Excellency the Governor, Falkland Islands.

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*Despatched* :      24th June      19 40      *Time* : 06,15.

*Received* :      19      *Time* :

Circular No.110 Confidential. Italian language should no longer be used in telegrams exchanged with United Kingdom and Colonial Dependencies. Notification to that effect is being issued through Berne.

G. T. C.

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DECODE.

*Censorship info:*

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TELEGRAM.

From Colonial Secretary, .....

To Magistrate, South Georgia. ....

Despatched : 10th July, 19 40. Time : ...

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

No. 66. Strongly advise you should exercise greatest care in delivery of wireless messages emanating from any country under enemy control however clear the meaning may appear to be. Chief Censor will delay them here before transmission but your station may possibly pick them up directly. The following dated July 3rd from Sandefjord in German control was received for Hagberg, Pesca begins :- All well at home regards. KARI boys ends. This message you may pass on but innocent as it appears it might in these days have a totally different meaning.

COLONIAL SECRETARY.

STANLEY,  
25th July, 1940.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

CROWN  
STANDARD  
AGENTS

Sir,

With reference to section 170 of C.I.D. 1446 B which calls for a monthly report on Censorship work, I beg to inform you that there is nothing to report with reference to the month of June, 1940.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

Censorship Officer.

CROWN  
STANDARD  
AGENTS

The Controller,  
Postal and Telegraphic Censorship,  
STANLEY.

CROWN  
STANDARD

S.G. No. M.9/39.

MEMO.

C.S. No. 146/39.

10th April 1940.

*From :-*

THE MAGISTRATE,  
South Georgia.

*To :-*

The Honourable,  
THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,  
Stanley.

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your Memo No. 146/39 of the 1st April, 1940, together with a supply of "Opened by Censor" labels under separate cover.

*L. Barlas*  
Magistrate.

*Red III.*

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CIRCULAR



Downing Street,

6th May, 1940.

Sir,

With reference to my circular despatch of the 28th December 1939 regarding arrangements for the sending of correspondence to persons in enemy or enemy-occupied territory through the agency of Messrs. Thomas Cook and Son Limited, I have the honour to inform you that the facilities afforded by those arrangements have been extended to include Denmark, and that the Danish language may be used for communications to persons in that country.

Res (104)

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient, humble servant,

Malcolm MacDonald

The Officer Administering  
the Government of



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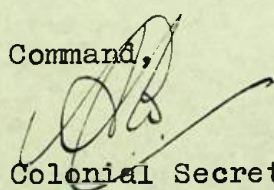
Colonial Secretary's Office,  
Stanley, Falkland Islands,  
20th August, 1940.

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With reference to Government Notice, No. 25 of the 23rd of March, 1940, it is hereby notified for general information that letters on purely personal matters may be forwarded through agencies of T. Cook and Son to persons residing in Belgium, Czechoslovakia, Danzig, Denmark, German occupied France, Germany, Holland, Italy, Italian possessions, Luxemburg, Norway, German occupied Poland and Channel Islands. The conditions are as before except as follows :-

Letters must be in English or in the language of the country for which they are intended (except Czech.) <sup>are not permitted</sup> Erasures/ and letters must omit the sender's address. No reference is allowed to any localities or journeys in Great Britain. Where replies are required they should be addressed to the Sender, c/o Post Box 506, Lisbon (Lissabon in the case of letters from Germany or German occupied territory).

By Command,



Colonial Secretary.



STANLEY,

20th August, 1940.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

Sir,

With reference to Section 170 of C.I.D. 1446 B which calls for a monthly report on Censorship work, I beg to inform you that there is nothing to report with reference to the month of July, 1940.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

Censorship Officer.

The Controller,  
Postal and Telegraphic Censorship,  
STANLEY.

(171)

STANLEY,

10th September, 1940.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

Sir,

With reference to Section 170 of C.I.D. 1446 B which calls for a monthly report on Censorship work, I beg to inform you that there is nothing to report with reference to the month of August, 1940.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

Censorship Officer.

The Controller,  
Postal and Telegraphic Censorship,  
LONDON.

TELEGRAM.

From..... Colonial Secretary,.....

To..... Magistrate, South Georgia.....

Despatched : 27th September, 1940. Time : ...

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

No. 78. If anyone wishes to write a letter to a person resident in enemy controlled countries the following procedure is to be observed rigidly :-

1. Letters must be in English or in language of country for which they are intended. (except Czech).
2. They must contain nothing but matter of personal interest.
3. Erasures are not permitted, and sender's address must be omitted.
4. No enclosure of following nature is permitted :- any printed matter, map, plan, sketch, drawing, print, photograph or other descriptive or pictorial representation, or postage or revenue stamp.
5. No reference to any localities or journeys in Great Britain.
6. No reference to any phase of the war.
7. No mention of any office of Thos. Cook & Son, at home or abroad.
8. Communications must be as brief as possible to avoid delay in censoring.
9. Letters must be in an open envelope fully addressed to addressee.
10. Envelope containing letter should be in an outer envelope and sent to Chief Censor Stanley with name and full address of sender in Block Letters on separate sheet of paper. The correspondent be informed if he wishes to send reply that reply be addressed to Sender C/o Post Box 506, Lisbon (Lissabon in the case of Germany or German occupied territory.)
11. Communications must be accompanied by two shillings plus sum to cover postage to United Kingdom. The fee of 2/- will cover:-
  - (1) Postage of one envelope to neutral country from United Kingdom
  - (2) Postage from neutral country to the enemy country.
  - (3) In case reply is sent, includes postage from neutral country to Messrs Cook's Head Office.
  - (4) Letters exceeding one ounce are subject to additional charges.
  - (5) Thos. Cook & Son undertake this transaction at sole risk in respects of party requiring their services, and on express understanding that no action will lie against them by reason of any act or default on their part or on part of person or agent employed by them.
  - (6) Communications for Prisoners of War and civilian internees must not be sent under the foregoing arrangements but forwarded in accordance with regulations covering that contingency.

COLONIAL SECRETARY.

178.

STANLEY,

22nd October, 1940.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

Sir,

With reference to Section 170 of C.I.D. 1446 B which calls for a monthly report on Censorship work, I beg to inform you that there is nothing to report with reference to the month of September, 1940.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

*J. E. D.*

Censorship Officer,

The Controller,  
Postal and Telegraphic Censorship,  
STANLEY.

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DECODE.

TELEGRAM.

From Secretary of State for the Colonies,

To His Excellency the Governor.

Despatched: 29th October, 1940. Time: 0830.

and 212.

Received: 29th October, 1940. Time: 1254.

Secret, Following sent at the request of Censorship Headquarters begins. (1) intercepted mail for submission to London. (a) divide future submissions into 2 sections (1) relevant to letters of (ii) Any comments required which should be of facts and not personal opinion. (b) if original letter is submitted attach a submission slip with brief comment; do not separate slip from letter. (c) if letter is not submitted furnish slip with a brief comment stating clearly if letter released or held. (d) where letter is cryptic or in uncommon language or code send without slip but with covering note.

2. Letters of financial interest. If possible please micro film or send photographic copies of all such letters and forward to London those of particular or immediate interest by quickest available route; others may follow by normal route. Ends.

SECRETARY OF STATE.

DECODE.

181.

TELEGRAM.

From Magistrate, South Georgia,

To Colonial Secretary.

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Despatched: 31st October, 19 40. Time: 1320.

Received: 31st October, 19 40. Time: 1200.

URGENT.

Red 177.

No. 91. Your telegram No. 78 grateful if you would inform me as to procedure to be followed with regard to letters to enemy or enemy occupied territory in the event of it being impossible to forward them to Chief Censor, Stanley. Practically all mail from here goes direct to the United Kingdom. I would be grateful for information as to what head and subhead the charge of 2/1 for each of these letters is to be credited.

MAGISTRATE.

DECODE.

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TELEGRAM.

From Colonial Secretary.

To Magistrate, South Georgia.

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Despatched :            2nd November,    1940.    Time : ...

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

No. 87.    Your telegram No.91 exercise censorship yourself.

Credit 2/- extra fee to Deposit Account Thomas Cook.

COLONIAL SECRETARY.

A.B.

The C.B. has agreed to my drafting a telegram to S. Geo. It should be in secret code, since the sense has already been radiated once.

Text

Magistrate S. Georgia  
Telegram from Harald  
Bordal has been stopped  
~~refused~~ by censor at  
home on account of  
being in Norwegian  
Hamilton.



DECODE.

184

TELEGRAM.

From Colonial Secretary,

To Magistrate, South Georgia.

*Despatched*: 11th November, 19 40. *Time*: ...

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

No. 89. Telegram from Harald Bordal has been stopped  
by Censor at home on account of being in Norwegian.

COLONIAL SECRETARY.

DECODE.

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TELEGRAM.

From Magistrate, South Georgia,

To Colonial Secretary.

Despatched: 11th November, 19 40. Time: 1425.

Received: 12th November, 19 40. Time: 2132.

No. 96. Your telegram No. 78 and your telegram No. 87

grateful if you would make following points clear

- (a) Does sender of letter supply 2 envelopes one of which is addressed to Addressee and enclosed in the other to which postage stamps are affixed.
- (b) To whom is this envelope in turn addressed is it to Thomas Cock and Sons, London.
- (c) Are letters then despatched in the ordinary way and not under separate cover.

MAGISTRATE.

Reds 177 x 182.

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DECODE.

TELEGRAM.

From Colonial Secretary,

To Magistrate, South Georgia.

Despatched: 12th November, 1940. Time:...

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

No. 90. <sup>See 187.</sup> Your telegram No. 96 replies to (a) (b) and (c) are in the affirmative.

COLONIAL SECRETARY.

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TELEGRAM.

From Secretary of State for the Colonies,

To His Excellency the Governor.

*Despatched* : 22nd November, 1940. *Time* : 1210.

*Received* : 22nd November, 1940. *Time* : 2200.

Circular No. 226. Secret. My Circular telegram No 212 Secret October 29th. Following sent at request of Censorship. Letters of financial interest referred to in paragraph 2 included letters containing information on (1) holdings abroad by United Kingdom residents of securities and requisitioned currencies; (2) any financial transaction with an enemy taint; (3) credits granted by neutrals to finance enemy; (4) movement of funds or securities on enemy account; (5) funds held abroad by enemy; (6) movement of gold on neutral account and financial transactions with neutrals which appear suspicious.

Information under (3) and (4) should be cabled.

SECRETARY OF STATE.

C.O. 1.

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FALKLAND ISLANDS.

Stanley,

28th November, 1940.

Sir,  
With reference to Section 170 of C.I.D. 1446 B which calls for a monthly report on Censorship work, I beg to inform you that there is nothing to report with reference to the month of October, 1940.

I am,  
Sir,  
Your obedient servant,

Censorship Officer.

The Controller,  
Postal and Telegraphic Censorship,  
STANLEY.

DECODE.

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TELEGRAM.

*From* Secretary of State for the Colonies.

*To* His Excellency the Governor.

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*Despatched*: 5th December, 1940. *Time*: 2045.

*Received*: 6th December, 1940. *Time*: ....

*Redispatch*

No. 239. Circular Secret. My Circular telegram Secret No. 226. Letters of Financial interest. Please add after "currencies" in (1) the words "and holdings by Companies set up outside the sterling area but under effective control of persons in the United Kingdom".

SECRETARY OF STATE.

C. O. 1.

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A. C. S.

We have received from S. Georgia a number of telegrams in Norwegian for transmission.

I have no information that Norwegian is admitted by U.K. censorship: telegram from Harald Bodal of 11.XI was stopped for that reason.

Therefore suggest following should be sent <sup>one of your</sup> in <sub>h</sub> codes. South Georgia does not hold a copy of the censorship code.

Message — Magistrate, South Georgia  
Regret telegrams in ~~Norwegian~~ cannot be transmitted  
<sup>except in</sup> as language <sup>of country of origin</sup> not admitted by <sup>their</sup> United Kingdom  
Censorship Hamilton.

Nowya for S. Georgia J. H. Middleton.

Ch C.

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DECODE.

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TELEGRAM.

*From* Dr. J. E. Hamilton, Chief Censor,

*To* Magistrate, South Georgia.

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*Despatched:* 19th December, 19 40. *Time:* ...

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

Regret telegrams cannot be transmitted except in language of country of origin. This excludes Norwegian from South Georgia.

HAMILTON.



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FALKLAND ISLANDS.

Stanley,

31st December, 1940.

Sir,

With reference to Section 170 of C.I.D. 1446 B which calls for a monthly report on Censorship work, I beg to inform you that there is nothing to report with reference to the month of November, 1940.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

(Sgd.) J.E. Hamilton.

Censorship Officer

The Controller,  
Postal and Telegraphic Censorship,  
STANLEY.

DECODE.

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TELEGRAM.

From Secretary of State for the Colonies,

To His Excellency the Governor.

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Despatched : 2nd January, 19 41. Time : 0512.

Received : 3rd January, 19 41. Time : .....

Circular Maritime No. 1. Secret. Following is sent at the request of  
Censorship :- begins.

Mail smuggling in neutral ships especially Portuguese is causing concern to Ministry of Economic Warfare.

Consignee Mail and ships box sometimes used for this purpose. Please say whether any arrangements have been made in your territory to ensure that consignee mail and ships boxes are examined immediately before ships sail for neutral ports. Only document allowed to be carried are those relating to ships own business such as Bills of Lading, Consular Invoices ectera Ends.

Similar message has been sent by Admiralty to Commander-in-Chief South Atlantic.

SECRETARY OF STATE.

I.D.

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FALKLAND ISLANDS.

Stanley,

28th January, 1941.

Sir,

With reference to Section 170 of C.I.D. 1446 B which calls for a monthly report on Censorship work, I beg to inform you that there is nothing to report with reference to the month of December, 1940.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

(Sgd.) J.E. Hamilton.

Censorship Officer.

The Controller,  
Postal and Telegraphic Censorship,  
STANLEY.

DECODE.

TELEGRAM.

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From Secretary of State for the Colonies.

To His Excellency the Governor.

*Despatched:* 5th February, 1941. *Time:* 0650.

*Received:* 6th February, 1941. *Time:* 1030.

Circular No.19 Secret. Following is sent at the request of Censorship begins. Deletion or obliteration incorrect from now. Excision only if writing on reverse not materially affected. No excision allowed for transit mail. No excision permitted inward terminal mail at oversea stations without permission of Senior Officer to be named output each. Generally letters should be delayed rather than "extensive" excisioned. Outward terminal mail Dac's have discretion to excision subject to foregoing ends.

SECRETARY OF STATE.

I.D.C.O.

205.

STANLEY,

18th February, 1941.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

Sir,

With reference to Section 170 of C.I.D. 1446 B which calls for a monthly report on Censorship work, I beg to inform you that there is nothing to report with reference to the month of January, 1941.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

(Sgd.) J.E. Hamilton.  
Censorship Officer.

The Controller,  
Postal and Telegraphic Censorship,  
STANLEY.

DECODE.

TELEGRAM.

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207.

*From* Secretary of State for the Colonies,

*To* His Excellency the Governor.

*Despatched* : 21st February, 1941. *Time* : 1419.

*Received* : 22nd February, 1941. *Time* : 1100.

Recd 204.

Circular No. 38. Secret with reference to my telegram No. 19 Circular Censorship. Instructions apply to all types of correspondence other than prisoners of war letters.

SECRETARY OF STATE.

I.D.C.O.

DECODE.

TELEGRAM.

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*From* Secretary of State for the Colonies,

*To* His Excellency the Governor.

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*Despatched* : 23rd February, 19 41. *Time* : 0105.

*Received* : 24th February, 19 41. *Time* : 1030.

No. 12. Secret. Censorship state cases have occurred where radio telegrams have been handed to persons on board ships in port for transmission after the ships' departure and that this practice is objectionable. Please instruct local censorship to report by cable to Chief Telegraph Censor any reference to this irregular method of sending message found in outward correspondence.

SECRETARY OF STATE.

C.O. 1.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

Stanley,

7th March, 1941.

Sir,

With reference to Section 170 of C.I.D. 1446 B which calls for a monthly report on Censorship work, I beg to inform you that there is nothing to report with reference to the month of February, 1941.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

(Sgd.) J.E. Hamilton.

Censorship Officer.

The Controller,  
Postal and Telegraphic Censorship,  
STANLEY.



DECODE.

TELEGRAM.

From Secretary of State for the Colonies.

To His Excellency the Governor.

Despatched : 13th March, 19 41. Time : 0120.

Received : 14th March, 19 41. Time : 1030.

Circular No. 63 Secret. Please cancel my Circular telegram No. 49 Secret of March 1st and substitute the following from Postal and Telegraph Censorship for Chief Censors: begins. In examination of transit mail mail ~~from~~ for financial contraband and financial enemy exports (a) (1) unoccupied France and (2) French possessions declared "enemy territory" and realizable financial items in such mail should be regarded as financial contraband or financial enemy exports and seized and reported to Blanketing by letter.

(b) Vichy - controlled French West Africa, Syria, Madagascar, reunion realizable financial items in these mails should be seized and reported to Blanketing by letter if there is evidence of their origin, ownership or ultimate destination being in enemy territory. In the absence of such evidence realizable financial items in these mails should be detained and reported to Blanketing by letter.

(c) French American Colonies realizable financial items should be detained and reported to Blanketing by letter.

(d) All non - realizable financial contraband or enemy exports in (a) (b) and (c) should be detained by censor but in those cases where there is no clear evidence of enemy origin, ownership or ultimate destination, these should be reported to Blanketing by letter.

2. Further instructions regarding Indo China will follow.

3. Term "enemy territory" in (b) above is meant to cover enemy territories and enemy occupied territories and also unoccupied France, Algeria Corsica French Morocco Tunisia French Somaliland. "Vichy - controlled French West Africa does not include French Cameroons or French Equatorial Africa which are Free French and therefore friendly territory.

SECRETARY OF STATE.

Colonial Secretary's Office,  
Stanley, Falkland Islands.  
25th March, 1941.

His Excellency the Governor directs the publication for general information of the following Notes for the guidance of persons wishing to communicate with friends in enemy countries or territory in the occupation of the enemy.

Government Notices, No. 25 of the 23rd of March, and No. 84 of the 20th of August, 1940, are hereby cancelled.

By Command,



for Colonial Secretary.

M.P. No. 146/39.

The territories included in these arrangements are: Belgium, Czechoslovakia, Danzig, Denmark, France (German-occupied), Germany, Holland, Italy and Italian Possessions, Luxembourg, Norway and Poland (German occupied).

1. Communications must be brief, clearly written or typed on one side of the paper only, and writers should request their correspondents to observe the same rules and not put more than one letter in the same envelope. Erasures and corrections or mutilated stationery and additions by other people are not permitted.

2. Letters and envelopes must omit the sender's address. They may be in English or in the language of the country for which they are intended (except Czech and Hebrew), and must contain nothing but matters of personal interest.

(a) No reference may be made to any town, village, locality or journey, or to the Censorship or to any other phase of the war, or to Thos. Cook & Son, Ltd., or any of their offices, or to the means by which the letter is sent. No enclosure of the following nature is permitted: printed matter, map, plan, sketch, drawing, print, photograph, or other pictorial representations or postage or revenue stamp.

(b) Business letters and letters containing directions about property or money matters must not be sent to the Chief Censor, Stanley, but should be submitted by the sender to the Competent Authority for Finance.

3. Each letter must be placed in an open unstamped envelope fully inscribed to the addressee, who should be asked to address and reply to your full name, care of Post Box 506, LISBON (Lissabon in the case of letters from Germany or German-occupied territory), Portugal. Poste Restante addresses are not accepted. The use of titles or Naval, Military or Air Force <sup>but</sup> is forbidden.

4. The open envelope containing the letter should be placed in an outer stamped but unaddressed envelope and sent to the Chief Censor, Stanley, together with a separate piece of paper plainly written, containing in block characters the name (Christian name first) and full address of the sender. A married woman should give her own as well as her husband's initials.

5. The communication to the Chief Censor, Stanley, must be accompanied by a Postal Order value of 2/- (stamps or International Coupons cannot be accepted), which fee will cover the postage of one envelope containing one communication to the neutral country, and from the neutral country to the addressee, also of a reply (if any) from the neutral country to Messrs: Cook's Head Office in London, and from that office to the intended recipient. The fee does not include the cost of postage of the reply from enemy territory to the neutral country.

Thos. Cook & Son, Ltd., undertake this transaction at the sole risk in all respects of the party requiring their services, and on the express understanding that no action will lie against them by reason of any act or default on their part or on the part of any person or agent employed by them.

6. Letters under this scheme may not cover remittances, directly or indirectly, to enemy territory, for which a licence of the Competent Authority for Finance is necessary. (See paragraph 2 (b) above).

7. Communications for Prisoners of War, i.e., British and Allied Naval, Military, and Air Force prisoners and Civilian internees, must not be sent under the foregoing arrangements, of which particulars may be obtained at the Post Office, Stanley.

NOTE. The unaddressed stamped envelope referred to in paragraph 4 would be used for sending on the letter to the United Kingdom.

Parcels cannot be dealt with under the foregoing scheme.

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*but forwarded in accordance with the regulations*

DECODE.

TELEGRAM.

From Secretary of State for the Colonies,

To His Excellency the Governor.

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Despatched : 11th April, 19 41. Time : 0116.

Received : 11th April, 19 41. Time : 1030.

Circular No. 86. Secret. Following is sent at the request of censorship begins. Very Secret information. Nazi correspondence for Brazil is addressed to Jose Boloni Avenida, Rio Branco 124 Rio de Janeiro and for Chile to Diego Martinez, Estago 164, Santiago. Ends.

SECRETARY OF STATE.

I.D.C.O.

DECODE.

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TELEGRAM.

From Secretary of State for the Colonies,

To His Excellency the Governor.

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Despatched: 17th April, 19 41. Time: 0552.

Received: 17th April, 19 41. Time: 1030.

*Not received?*  
*substitution*

No. 91. Circular Secret. My telegram November 30th, 1940, Saving Circular paragraph (b) (one) (f) should be amended to read begins. The use of a Captain's name or other alias in substantiation for a ship's name should be avoided, as it provides no additional security and only tends to mislead censorship. Ends. This instruction refers to outward messages from the United Kingdom.

SECRETARY OF STATE.

I.D.C.O.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

Stanley,  
8th May, 1941.

Sir,  
With reference to Section 170 of C.I.D. 1446 B which calls for a monthly report on Censorship work, I beg to inform you that there is nothing to report with reference to the month of March, 1941.

I am,  
Sir,  
Your obedient servant,

(Sgd.) J.E. Hamilton.  
Censorship Officer.

The Controller,  
Postal and Telegraphic Censorship,  
STANLEY.

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FALKLAND ISLANDS.

Stanley,

8th May, 1941.

Sir,

With reference to Section 170 of C.I.D. 1446B which calls for a monthly report on Censorship work, I beg to inform you that there is nothing to report with reference to the month of April, 1941.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

(Sgd.) J.E. Hamilton.

Censorship Officer.

The Controller,  
Postal and Telegraphic Censorship,  
STANLEY.

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8th May,

41.

Sir,

In conformity with Secretary of State's Circular telegram, No. 84 of the 4th of October, 1939, I am directed by the Governor to transmit for your information the accompanying reports on Censorship work in the Colony.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

(Sgd.) A. I. Fleuret.

for Colonial Secretary.

The Controller,  
Postal and Telegraphic Censors,  
LONDON.



DECODE.

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TELEGRAM.

From Secretary of State for the Colonies,

To His Excellency the Governor.

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Despatched: 2nd May, 19 41. Time: 2240.

Received: 3rd May, 19 41. Time: 1030.

Circular No. 114. Secret with reference to my telegram No. 91 Circular it is desired that authority in your territory should also proceed in accordance with amended instructions.

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SECRETARY OF STATE.

I.D.C.O.