

C.S.

POSTAL & TELEGRAPHIC.  
(Mails)  
(Misc.)

MAI/GEN/6#3

19 41.

No. 146/39. Part II

103

E. The Governor.

SUBJECT.

1939.

**SECRET.**

26th August.

ESTABLISHMENT OF CENSORSHIP OF MAILS AND  
TELEGRAMS IN THE COLONY.

Previous Paper.

See 146/39 Part I.

MINUTES.

Minute from Naval Officer-in-Charge of 19. 5. 41.

Chief Censor,  
Col. Postmaster,

~~g.s.s.~~ 20.5.41.

H.C., 22/5/41.

to note.

C. J. G. S.  
28/5/41

MA

2. Minute to Naval Officer-in-Charge of 23. 5. 41.
3. Circular telegram No. 144 from S. of S. of 31/5/41.
4. " " unnumbered .. .. 1/6/41.

Chief Censor,

to note and for necessary action  
please.

C. J. G. S.  
28/5/41

als.  
noted. g.s.s. 22.5.41

Subsequent Paper.

T/E. Could following telegram be  
despatched for Blanketing in I.D.C.O.  
" New telegram Circular unnumbered. Secret



10-12. Letter to Controller, Postal & Telegraphic Censors, London, 19/7/41.

13. Circ. No. 185. Telegram from S. of S. of 25/7/41.

Chief Censor,  
N.O. 1/C.

g.c. C. 28/vii.41

To note:

C. J. J. J.  
28/7/41

W.C.S. / Luted.

RPM

14. Telegram unnumbered from S. of S. of 30/7/41.

15. Circular telegram No. 196 from S. of S. of 1/8/41.

16. " " from S. of S. of 2/8/41.

Chief Censor,

To note:

W.C.S. g.c. C. 6. viii. 41

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

17-18. Letter to Controller, Postal & Telegraphic Censors, London, 8/8/41.

19. Telegram unnumbered from S. of S. of 9/8/41.

Chief Censor.

To note Red 19. Restrictions, however, referred to have not been received yet.

W.C.S.

W.C.S. Thank you.  
F.E.D. C.C. 11. viii. 41

C. J. J. J.  
11/8/41

20. S. of S. - Secret Saving Telegram of 29/11/41

21-22. Letter from Brown Agents of 1/7/41.

23. Chief Censor,

To note:

C. J. J. J.  
24/8/41.

W.C.S. No. 15. 8. 41  
F.E.D. C.C. 15. 8. 41

S. of S. Circular from S. of S. of 13/5/41. 24-27.  
Telegram Saving of 11/6/41. 28.

Chief Censor,

To note to Res. (23) is this correct. If so it will be necessary to instruct C.A.'s to pay Mrs. Cook the sum of £6-0-0. It would be convenient if you could forward a quarterly return of letters so forwarded in order that payment may be made regularly.

A. J. P. 27/8/41.

H.C.S.

Notes.

Res. (23). We have never handled anything like this before. Suggest they are from Georgia - whence postal orders could not be sent. A telegram might elucidate? J.P.B. de. C. 29. viii. 41

Telegram to Crown Agents of 30/8/41. 29.

Telegram from Crown Agents of 9/9/41. 30.

Telegram to Crown Agents of 10. 9. 41. 31.

A. J. P. 30/9/41.  
11/9/41.

Letter to Controller, Postal & Telegraphic Censors, London, 13/9/41. 32-33.

Circular telegram No. 238 from S. of S. of 23. 9. 41. 34.

Chief Censor,

H.C.S.

Notes.  
J.P.B.  
de. C. ix. 41  
26. ix. 41

To note:

A. J. P. 26/9/41.

Circular telegram Saving Secret of 4. 7. 41. 35.

" " of 9. 7. 41. 36.

" despatched from S. of S. of 19. 7. 41. 37.

Chief Censor,

To note.

A. J. P. 2/10/41.

H.C.S.  
Notes.  
J.P.B.  
6. x. 41

37-38. Minute from Naval Officer-in-Charge of 1/11/41.  
Chief Censor.

To note Red's 37-38 for necessary  
action please.

A. J. J.  
for  
4/11/41.

ad. reporter and notes for n.a.  
250. Ch.C. 4-21-41

39. Minute to h. O/c. of 5/11/41.

40. Circular Telegram No. 271. from S. of S. of 5/11/41.

Chief Censor, 250.

Col. Postnaski, E.M.C.

to note.

A. J. J.  
for  
7/11/41.

41. Telegram No. 88 to Officer-in-Ch. Dept. of 7/11/41.

42. Circular telegram from S. of S. of 29. 7. 41.

43. \_\_\_\_\_ " \_\_\_\_\_ 1. 8. 41.

44. \_\_\_\_\_ " \_\_\_\_\_ 4. 8. 41.

45. \_\_\_\_\_ " \_\_\_\_\_ 7. 8. 41.

46. \_\_\_\_\_ " \_\_\_\_\_ 8. 8. 41.

47. \_\_\_\_\_ " \_\_\_\_\_ 26. 8. 41.

48. S. of S. Circ. Tel. Saving of 21. 7. 41.

49. \_\_\_\_\_ 22. 8. 41.

Chief Censor,

to note.

A. J. J.  
for  
25/11/41

50. Letter from Mr. E.G. Rowe of 25-11-41.

Y/E

What action would your Excellency  
wish in this connection please?

A. J. J.  
for  
26/11/41.

I don't understand the point of the telegram unless it is humorous. People used to be fined for exceeding 3 miles an hour at Chesham - they don't petition for a refund!!

But the question is one for the Censor & quite possibly he considers the message as "subversive" or a code. In any case how can the Col. Sec. overrule him? An answer to that effect, i.e. Col. Sec. has no authority in the matter, would serve.

ALS 26/11/41

Letter to Mr. E. G. Lowe of 28/11/41. 51.

Letter to Controller, Postal & Telegraphic Censors, London of 29.11.41. 52-54.

Circular telegram No. 295 from S. of S. of 9.12.41.

(55)

Chief Censor,

to note.

ALS  
noted.  
gms.  
12.11.41

C. G. Ford  
17/12/41

Minute from Col. Postmaster of 16/12/41. 56.

S. of S. Circular telegram saving of 27. 8. 41. 57.

15. 9. 41.

58.

S. of S. Circular Note of 16. 9. 41.

59-60.

Letter to Controller, Postal & Telegraphic Censors of 10/1/42. 60-63.

Circular telegram No. 6. from S. of S. of 10/1/42. 64.

Circular telegram No. 7. from S. of S. of 13/1/42. 65.

Exam. Notice No. 6 of 14/1/42.

Chief Censor,

to note.

ALS  
noted  
gms  
16.1.42

C. G. Ford  
13/1/42

66-73.

Circular telegram from S. of S. of 20/1/42. 74.

- 75. S. of S. Circular telegram Savings of 22. 10. 41.
- 76. " Sec. " " " " 18/10/41
- 77. " " " " " " 28/10/41.
- 78. " " " " " " 14/11/41.
- 79. " " " " " " 1/12/41.

Chief Censor,  
 to note I will inform South  
 Georgia re (79) on return of this file.

A. J. P. 27/1/42.

res  
 note  
 J.P.S.  
 ec. 27.1.42

- 80. Telegram No. 10 to G. P. S. Georgia of 28/1/42.
- 81-82. Letter to Controller, Postal + Tel. Censors of 5/2/42.
- 83. Telegram unnumbered circ. from S. of S. of 12/2/42.  
 Chief Censor.  
 to note.  
 A. J. P. 14/2/42.

H.C.S.  
 note.  
 A.C. informed  
 J.P.S.  
 18.ii.42

- 84. Telegram circ No. 25 from S. of S. of 17/2/42.  
 Chief Censor,  
 to note.  
 A. J. P. 18/2/42.

H.C.S.  
 note.  
 J.P.S.  
 19.ii.42

- 85. S. of S. Circ. Tel. Daving of 4/12/41.
- 86-87. S. of S. Secret. Circ. desp. of 4/11/41.
- 88-91. " " " " " 18/11/41.

Y/E.  
 Returned as directed.  
 A. J. P. 20/2/42

For immediate action by Chief Censor.

*A. J. P.* 21/2/42

S. of S. Circular Note of 11. 11. 41.

92-93.

S. of S. Circular Telegram Saving of 13. 11. 41.

94.

Chief Censor,

Referred to you for necessary action as above.

*A. J. P.*  
21/2/42

*W.S.*  
I understand this to be  
not it and where any  
information as to (1) or  
in Red (85) appears in the  
memoirs it is to be not  
mitted to ~~the~~ the censorship  
H. Q.  
The papers use a lot of  
sawed for foot and -?  
J.P.D. Ch.C.  
25. 11. 42

H.C.S.

Ref. red (90) para 2. Since all our mail originates here the use of the index letter must inevitably disclose the identity. I therefore suggest its omission. i.e. that we go on as before. No rubber stamp is used on correspondence

(para 7).

We have a large stock of unused labels (para 4).  
*J.P.D. Ch.C.*  
21. 11. 42.

S. of S. Circular Telegram Saving of 5/11/41.

95.

S. of S. Circular Telegram No. 28 of 21/2/42.

96.

Chief Censor,

Re: 95-96 & sec. Ref. your minute above I think we must abide by the instructions contained in para. 2 + 3 of Red (91). Do you not agree?

Is a reply not called for in Red 85 please?

H.C.S.

I'm afraid my last minute was too obscure.

The S.O.S. wishes the memo. Red (90) to be given effect here.

He also gives an index letter.

The memo (para 4) suggests that if there is an unused stock of labels, as we have, they should be used up before new ones are printed in the Standard Form of Red (89).

If (para 5) the existing label bears the name of the dependency the l.h. must not be added since that would disclose the identity of the l.h.

Our labels do not bear the name of this dependency but since the letters all date at Stanley Falkland Islands the use of our l.h. will reveal that it is the l.h. for the Falklands just as much as if the name "Falkland Islands" were printed alongside the l.h. There are instructions in the memo. omit the l.h. we shall be fulfilling the instructions in the memo. at the S.O.S. as for red (85) please see minute Ch. 25. 11. 42

*A. J. P.*  
24/2/42



Inside Minute Paper.

Chief Censor,  
I agree entirely.

A.S. J.P.  
25/2/42

A.C.S.  
J.P. 26.ii.42

97. Telegram No. 33 from G.C. Dept. of 6/3/42.

98. Telegram No. 35 to G.C. Dept. of 6/3/42

Hon. G.

To note.

A.S. J.P.  
6/3/42

Hon. Col. Sec.

Noted Thank you

Recd  
to H.S. 6/3/42

~~PT.~~

99-101. S. of S. Secret Circ. Note of 26/12/41.

Chief Censor

To note.

A.S. J.P.  
16/3/42

Recd  
J.P. 16.iii.42

~~ca~~

102. S. of S. Circ. Adv. Tel. of 18/12/41.

Ch. Censor J.P.

Col. Postmaster

To note, please.

Hon. Col. Sec.

A.S. J.P.  
19/3/42

Seen  
Thank you M.P.M. 20/3/42

Ch. Censor

To note red 103, please.

g.c.D. 26. 10. 42

R.A. Jones 26/3/42

S. of S. Circular Despatch of 24. 12. 41.  
Telegram No. 143 from S. of S. of 31/12/41.  
3 p.m. from S. of S. of 5/1/42.

104-106.  
106A.  
107-108.

Ch. Censor

To note pl.

g.c.D. 16. 10. 42

R.A. Jones 16/4/42

Letter to Captain A. I. Fensel, M.B.E., of 17/4/42.  
Letter from Mr. J. S. Cremer of 17. 2. 42.

109.

110-111.

Ch. Censor

For such action as you consider necessary.

R.A. Jones 14/4/42

R.S.

Copy passed to Information Officer for printing in the News Weekly. g.c.D. 22. 18. 10. 42.

Letter to J. D. Brewer, Esq. of 20/4/42.

112.

Letter to Controller, Postal & Tel. Censors, London 16/5/42.

113-114.

Minutes from Ch. Censor of 24/5/42.

115.

Red 115 submitted for approval, pl.

R.A. Jones 24/5/42

? must D: Only be app'd censor?

? is not Capt. Pitt already a censor?

AD 27/5/42

g.c.D. Capt. Pitt is an Assist. Postal Censor vide rla ③ M.P. 1/34/40 attached.

I have spoken to Ch. Censor and arrangements will be made for Capt. Pitt to carry out necessary censorship.

R.A. Jones 28/5/42

M.G. Yorkin N.F.F.

R.A. Jones 28/5/42

Col. Postmaster

To note. The Ch. Censor will  
arrange for Capt. ~~Lee~~ to censor W.F. mails.

S.H.A.  
S. J. C. S.  
28/5/42.

Hon. Col. Secretary.

If censorship is to be carried  
out on the s.s. "Fitzroy" after leaving  
Fox Bay the mails cannot be sealed  
properly therefore there is a chance  
of the G. P. O. Montevideo refusing to accept  
them. Since I've had trouble with mails  
on the s.s. "Fitzroy" & also to safeguard the  
West Falkland Mails I suggest that  
this mail ought to be finally sealed  
by the Deputy Postmaster before leaving  
the Fox Bay Post Office.

M.C.P.M.  
28/5/42

Y.C.  
In view of the fact that "Fitzroy" will  
be at Fox Bay less than an hour, I feel that  
I must submit Col. Postmaster's minutes above,  
for Your Excellency's information.

S.H.A.  
S. J. C. S.  
29/5/42.

What is the difference between this & an  
"ocean" mail?

If the P.M. doesn't want to send a  
W.F. mail — or does he?

S.H.A.  
S. J. C. S.  
29/5/42

Ch. Censor &amp; S.M. spoken.

N.F.F. in meantime

S.H.A.  
S. J. C. S.  
29/5/42.

P.A.

Ch. Censor

Go note reads (116-117), pl.

~~Ch. Censor~~  
1/6/42

gtd.  
2. vii. 42

S. of S. Circular Note of 23. 2. 42.

118-119

Ch. Censor

Go note reads 118-119.

~~Ch. Censor~~  
2/6/42

gtd.  
3. vii. 42

S. of S. Circular telegram saving of 12. 3. 42.

120.

Ch. Censor

Go note read 20, pl.

~~Ch. Censor~~  
4/6/42

gtd.  
5. vii. 42

ACS

? Telegraph Dept. not to be informed not to read telegram  
gtd. 5. vii. 42

Supr. E. Y. Y.

Go note read (120), pl.

~~Ch. Censor~~  
5/6/42

Ham Cal Sec

Red 120 note TKs.

D.M.  
D.E.F.T.  
5/6/42

ircular telegram unnumbered from S. of S. 4/7/42. 121.

Ch. Censor

For information & necessary action, pl, should occasion arise.

~~Ch. Censor~~  
6/4/42

H.S.  
1 note in copy  
Neutral  
gtd.  
7. vii. 42

S. of S. Circular Note of 12. 5. 42.

122-123.

Ch. Censor

Go note, pl.

~~Ch. Censor~~  
6/4/42

gtd.  
8. vii. 42

S. of S. Secret Circ. despatch of 18/4/42.

124.

" " " tel. saving - 1/4/42.

125.

S. of S. Circular Note of 14. 4. 42.

126-129.

S. of S. Circular telegram saving of 4. 5. 42.

130-133.

Ch. Censor

Go note reads (124-133), pl.

~~Ch. Censor~~  
9/4/42

gtd.  
9. vii. 42

*J.C.* Reas 124 + 125. referred as directed, pl.

*D.A. Jacobs*  
9/4/42.

134. Telegram unnumbered circ. of 2/8/42.

135. Telegram " from S. of S. of 4/8/42

Ch. Censor

To see reas 134-135 & to withdraw copies of the same, for such action as you consider necessary.

*D.A. Jacobs*  
5/8/42.

see.

withdrawn accy.

*J.C.*  
6. viii. 42

138-139. Letter to Controller Postal & Tel Censors London 21/8/42.

140. Telegram from S. of S. of 26/8/42.

Ch. Censor

To note re 140, pl. & withdraw copy.

*D.A. Jacobs*  
24/8/42.

A.C.

*J.C.* 27-viii-42

? May copy remain in situ please.

143. Telegram unnumbered from S. of S. of 28. 8. 42.

144-145. Telegram No. 147 circ. from S. of S. of 10. 9. 42.

146. S. of S. Secret Circ. Tel. Saving of 8/9/42

" circular note of 22. 6. 42.

148-149. " " " " 22. 7. 42.

150-151.

Ch. Censor

To see reas ~~144-145~~ 144-151, pl.

*D.A. Jacobs*  
19/10/42.

*J.C.*  
22-x-42

152. Telegram from Secretary of State. Unnumbered Circular of 19/10/42.

Ch. Censor

Re 152 for necessary action, pl.

*D.A. Jacobs*  
22/10/42.

Following from Chesor for Blanketing begins.

"For technical reasons confirmatory copies are not sent from this Station, but there is no prohibition."

g.s.d.  
Ch. Censor.  
23/10/42.

Unnumbered telegram to S. of S. of 23.10.42. 155.

Letter to Controller, Postal Telegraphs Censors of 31/10/42. 156-157.

Circular Note from S. of S. of 31.7.42. 158-158A.

\_\_\_\_\_ " \_\_\_\_\_ 22.8.42. 159-159A.

Ch. Censor (160)  
To see recs (158)-(159) pl.  
H. Gaults.  
25/11/42.

g.s.d. (161)  
C.C. 25-XI-42

Letter from H.B. G's Consul, British Consulate 29/10/42. 162.

to \_\_\_\_\_ 9/12/42. 163.

Letter to Controller, Postal & Tel. Censors, London 9/12/42. 164-165.

Telegram Circular unnumbered from S of S. of 9/12/42. 166

Telegram Circular unnumbered from Secretary of State of 14/12/42. 167. *pa*

S. of S. Secret tel. Saving No. 37 of 3/11/42. 168.  
(169).

A.C.S.

A telegraphic reply is required to (168). Pl. ascertain present position of our Ch. Censor (see rec. 158 & 159) & submit draft telegram in consultation with him.

Handed to me by C.S.  
31-XI-42 *g.s.d.*

(170)

KB  
31/12

H.O. Draft submitted please. *g.s.d.* C.C. 1-1-43 171.

Letter to Controller, Postal & Telegraphic Censors, 2/1/43. 172-173.

for Aldridge, please see 171.

(174).

g.f. I submit draft Tel. in reply to (168). If g.f. will read (90) & (91) I think you will agree that the Ch. Censor, whose draft this reply is based, is right.

KB  
4/1

Telegram No 5. Secret. to Secretary of State of 6/1/43. 175.

176-177. S. of S. Circular Note of 24.9.42.  
178-179. ----- 22.10.42.

Ch. Censor (180)

To see 176-179, pl.

*J.P.C.*

(180A)  
J.P.C. 8-1-43

181. Telegram Unnumbered from Secretary of State of 13/1/43.  
(182)

Ch. Censor

To see red (181) for action indicated.

*J.P.C.*  
14/1/43.

H.C.

(183)

Done.

Certificate for air mail cert?  
please. Duplicate in Red (182)

May re telegram be sent  
please. - "Blanketing, London  
obliterated check" -

J.P.C. 15-1-43

184. Telegram to Blanketing from Chief Censor 16/1/43.

185. Unnumbered Circular telegram from S. of S. of 16/2/43.

186-187. Letter to Postal & Tel. Censors, London, of 20/2/43.

188. Telegram Unnumbered Circular Secret from S. of State 27/2/43

(189)

Ch. Censor

Red (188) for necessary action, pl.

has been dealt with *J.P.C.*

J.P.C. cc. 2-11-43

191. S. of S. Circular telegram saving of 12.11.42.

Ch. Censor

To note red (191), pl.

*J.P.C.*  
30/3/43.

(193)  
J.P.C. 30/3/43

194. Letter from Thomas Cook & Son Ltd of 6th. May 1942.

195. Letter from Crown Agents for the Colonies of 29th. May 1942

196. Letter to Crown Agent's of 19. 4. 43.

197. Telegram to Magistrate, Sec. of 19/4/43.

rec. unnumbered telegram from S. of S. of 21/4/43. 198.

Ch. Censor

(199)

To note red (198), pl.

*L.H. Files.*  
27/4/43.

*J.P.D.*  
28-IV-43

Copy of Naval messages from N.A., B.A. of 27/4/43.

200.

Letter to Director, Postal a del. Censorships 5/5/43.

201.

201 A.

Telegram No. 43 from Magistrate. South Georgia 5/5/43.

202.

(203)

Ch. Censor

Ref: (202) The notes referred to do not appear to have been amended as the matter is distinct from that covered by Govt notice No. 6. of the 14<sup>th</sup> Jan. 1942. Do you agree, pl?

(204)

*L.H. Files.*  
6/5/43.

? What about  
ref (175) *J.P.D.*  
7-V-43 CC

Ch. Censor

(205)

Thank you. We have drafted a reply to (202). Will you kindly vet the attached draft of a Gazette notice embodying the notes at (198)?

*L.H. Files.*  
10/5/43.

A.S. Draft it. I think the type should be italic in heavy where I have noted. Cf. ref (175)  
Notice P.D. C. 11-V-43.

Gazette, No. 25 of 13<sup>th</sup> May, 1943.

207.

Telegram, No. 29 to Magistrate, S.G. of 13/5/43.

208.

Circular note from S. of S. of 17/3/43.

209.

Ch. Censor

(210)

To see ~~(209)~~ pl.

*J.P.D.*  
28-V-43

Telegram Circular Unnumbered (2) from Secretary of State 29/5/43.

212.

(213)

Ch. Censor

to let J. U. A.

*J.P.D.*  
1-57-43

*L.H. Files.*  
31/5



- 213. Letter to Director, Postal & Telegraphic Censorship 10/6/43.
- 214. Circular Telegram Saving from S.O.S. 20/2/43.
- 215. S.O.S. Circular Note of 22/2/43.

(216).

Mrs Biggs

To note (214) for Red Cross Etce. please.

Noted. Thank you. (217) MB  
12/6  
 Madge B. Biggs.  
 Treasurer. Red Cross Committee.  
 12th June 1943.

Ch. Censor,

To note Reds 213-215, pl.

E.C.  
 for C.S.  
 12/6/43.

pld.  
 12-vii-43

219-220 S.O.S. Conf. Circ. Note of 30/3/43.

Ch. Censor.

Shipping Master (Customs Off. (?)

To see reds 219-220, pl.

pld.  
 13/4/43. 15-vii-43

H.B.S. (221)  
 Dear, thank you. I presume that the Ch. censor will  
 notify the F.A.C. of the provisions of paras. 2 & 3 of red 219.

W.H. Clapp.  
 14.7.43.

(222)

Shipping Master

I think you might do this. The Ch. Censor  
 is not supposed to have any dealings with  
 the public.

KB  
 15/7

H.B.S. (224)  
 Managua F.I.C. notified as per reds 223 + 223A. attached.

W.H. Clapp.  
 17.7.43.

pld.

Ch. Censor (226)  
To note (225) pl.

24th  
21. 5. 43

~~31/7/43~~

Telegram Circular Unnumbered Secret - from Secretary of State 3rd. Aug 1943.

Letter from Naval Officer-in-Charge of 13. 8. 43.  
Minute to \_\_\_\_\_ 14. 8. 43.

227.

228.

229.

P.A.

Closed.  
See Part III.

DECODE.

(4)

TELEGRAM.

From Secretary of State for the Colonies,

To His Excellency the Governor.

Despatched: 1st June, 19 41. Time: 0700.

Received: 1st June, 19 41. Time: 1030.

Circular Unnumbered. Secret. Following for Chief Censor Postal and Telegraph Censorship. Please telegraph Blanketing for the information of Financial Adviser total nominal value of all notes in all individual currencies detained by you with subdivision into (1) any since condemned as prize (2) any made subject to prize proceedings action against awaiting adjudication (3) any others likely to be made subject of prize proceedings (4) any awaiting further instructions.

SECRETARY OF STATE

I.D.C.O.

DECODE.

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TELEGRAM.

*From* Chief Censor, Stanley.

*To* Chief Censor Postal and Telegraphic Censorship.

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*Despatched* :                    3rd June,                    19 41.                    *Time* : ...

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

Detention currencies nil.

CHIEF CENSOR.

G.T.C.

DECODE.

TELEGRAM.

From Secretary of State for the Colonies.

To His Excellency the Governor.

Despatched : 7th June, 19 41. Time : 0600.

Received : 8th June, 19 41. Time : 1030.

Circular No. 151. Secret. Following is sent at the request of Blanketing for Chief Censor begins.

1. Letters containing reference to any drug or tablets suggested as cure for headaches or other sickness, particularly well known proprietary brands, such as Aspro Behasprin Pyramidon and Phensic should be tested for secret writing.

2. Please telegraph any information about foreign diplomatic codes and cyphers found in letters.

3. Information is also required on subversive and hostile activity among seamen of all nationalities. ends.

SECRETARY OF STATE.

I.D.C.O.

For use in  
Cypher or  
Coding Office  
only.

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For Exercise).

INTERCEPT GROUP.

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FROM:

SECRET

CIRCULAR (UNNUMBERS) SECRET FOLLOWING FOR  
FROM

CHIEF CENSOR, BLANKETING

Submit all letters routed through  
intermediary LUIS PALAU, APARTADO  
521 LISBON. Ends.

SECRET

Book or Table to be used for

Cyphering or Coding.

Recyphering or Recoding.

Initials of Cypherer  
or Coder.Time of Receipt in  
Cypher or Coding  
Office.

Date.

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For use in  
Cypher or  
Coding Office  
only.

Originators Instructions:  
(Indication of Priority,  
AIDAC, NOTWT  
For Exercise).

INTERCEPT GROUP.

TO:  
The Naval Officer in Charge, Falkland Islands

FROM: Staff Officer  
(Intelligence) Freetown

Following has been received from Admiralty.

Begins. 'Merchant Navy Personnel may now send E.F.M.

'messages provided such messages are despatched

'through the Naval Authorities. Request you

'will arrange as necessary.' Ends.

1650/7/7.

Book or Table to be used for

Cyphering or Coding.

Recyphering or Recoding.

Initials of Cypherer  
or Coder.

Time of Receipt in  
Cypher or Coding  
Office.

(10)

STANLEY,

19th July, 1941.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

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 May, 1941.

I am,  
Sir,  
Your obedient servant,

*glt*  
Censorship Officer.

The Controller,  
Postal and Telegraphic Censorship,  
STANLEY.



FALKLAND ISLANDS.

STANLEY,

19th July, 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 June, 1941.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

*J.W.*

for Colonial Secretary.

The Controller,  
Postal & Telegraphic Censorship,  
STANLEY.

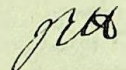
STANLEY,  
8th August, 1941.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

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 July, 1941.

I am,  
Sir,  
Your obedient servant,



Censorship Officer.

The Controller,  
Postal & Telegraphic Censorship,  
STANLEY.

DECODE.

TELEGRAM.

No. 134.

From Secretary of State for the Colonies.

To His Excellency the Governor.

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Despatched: 9th August, 19 41. Time: 0000  
 Received: 10th August, 19 41. Time: 1030.

Circular unnumbered Secret Outward telegrams dealing with movements .  
 position or other information concerning United States merchant ships  
 should be subjected to the same censorship restrictions as are applied  
 in the case of British and Allied ships as set out in my secret savinggram  
Nov 30 last.

Secretary of State.

I. D. C. O.

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*20/8/41*

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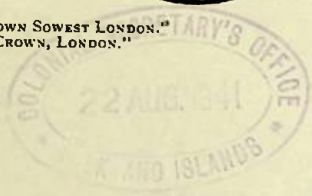
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Communications to be addressed to The Crown Agents for the Colonies, 4, Millbank, London, S.W.1, and the above reference quoted.

4, MILLBANK,  
LONDON, S.W.1.

TELEGRAMS { INLAND: "CROWN SOWEST LONDON."  
OVERSEAS: "CROWN, LONDON."  
TELEPHONE: ABBEY 7730.



1st July, 1941.

Sir,

*Red  
copy*

With reference to the Secretary of State's Circular despatch dated 28th December, 1939 regarding the arrangements for sending correspondence to addresses in enemy or enemy-occupied territory, I have the honour to enclose a copy of a letter from Messrs. Thomas Cook, Ltd., and to enquire what reply should be given.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

*Le Harcourt*

for Crown Agents.

The Colonial Secretary,  
Falkland Islands.

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G.C.G.

Ref: EM/AEC

Dated 17th June, 1941.  
Received 18th June, 1941

Dear Sir,

Referring to our EN.M/694 of November 5th last and your reply P.Misc. Ceylon of November 16th, we gave a further list of the Dominions, Colonies, etc. from which we have not received remittances to cover our services in the transmission of correspondence from these Dominions, etc. to enemy countries and enemy-occupied territory:-

British Honduras (15)	St. Lucia, B.W.I. (2)
Fiji (2)	Falkland Is. (60)
Bahamas (27)	St. Helena (3)
Newfoundland (3)	Seychelles (35)

The figures in parentheses give the numbers of the letters referred to. We would ask you to give this matter your attention.

Yours faithfully,  
Thos. Cook & Son. Ltd.  
per

(Signed.)

DECODE.

TELEGRAM.

From Colonial Secretary.

To Crown Agents for the Colonies.

Despatched: 30th August, 19 41. Time: .....

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

Recd 23.

Your letter 1 July P/330 please state particulars of letters forwarded from Falkland Islands . Does the total number of 60 include South Georgia.

Colonial Secretary.

G. T. C.

DECODE.TELEGRAM.

*From* Crown Agents for the Colonies,

*To* Colonial Secretary.

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*Despatched* : 9th September, 19 41. *Time* : 1222.

*Received* : 9th September, 19 41. *Time* : 1600.

Red 29.

Your telegram 30th August total number 60 includes 56 from South Georgia 1 from Port Stanley and 3 doubtful. Further 8 since received from South Georgia.

CROWN AGENTS.

DECODE.

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TELEGRAM.

From Colonial Secretary,

To Crown Agents for the Colonies.

Despatched: 10th September, 19 41. Time: ...

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

Your telegram 9th September please pay to Messrs Thomas Cook Limited sum of £6. 0s. 0d. to cover cost of transmission of correspondence to enemy-occupied territory.

COLONIALMSECRETARY.

Red 30.



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FALKLAND ISLANDS.

STANLEY,  
12th September, 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 August, 1941.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

*J. Hamilton*

Censorship Officer.

The Controller,  
Postal & Telegraphic Censorship,  
STANLEY.

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TELEGRAM.

No. 298. From Secretary of State for the Colonies.

To His Excellency the Governor.

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*Despatched :* 23rd September, 19 41. *Time :* 19.50

*Received :* 24th September, 19 41. *Time :* 10.30.

Circular No. 238 Secret. Following allied Governments established in England now have permission to exchange telegrams in code or cypher or any language not only with their official representatives but also with private firms or individuals in British Allied or Neutral Territory :-  
Belguim Czecho Slovakia Luxemburg Netherlands Norway Poland Yugo-Slavia and also Free French Organization.

I.D.C.O.

Secretary of State.



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From the Secretary of State for the Colonies.  
To the Officer Administering the Government of  
Circular Telegram Saving.

**FALKLAND ISLANDS**

4th July, 1941.

SECRET.

Following for Chief Censor from Blanketing.  
Begins. British Insurance interests have been  
advised by Trading with the Enemy Branch not to  
accept reinsurance in respect of business relating  
to passenger service operated by Air France in the  
Argentine, Brazil and Chile. Any suggestion that  
this recommendation is not being observed should  
be submitted. Ends.

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From the Secretary of State for the Colonies.

To the Officer Administering the Government of

CIRCULAR TELEGRAM SAVING.

**FALKLAND ISLANDS**

9th July, 1941.

My circular despatch 17th January.  
Thomas Cook Scheme has since been extended to  
Bulgaria, Roumania, Hungary, Jugoslavia, Greece  
(Mainland and Islands), and Crete.

**GOVERNMENT TELEGRAPH SERVICE.**  
**FALKLAND ISLANDS AND DEPENDENCIES.**  
**SENT.**

Number	Office of Origin	Words	Handed in at	Date
308/195	by	16	14.30	29/9/41
To LC	SECRETARY DSDA ADMIRALTY WHITEHALL.			

REQUEST SUBSTANTIAL INCREASE COL ALLOWANCE  
PRESENT TOTALLY INADEQUATE.

WESTON QUINN  
FALCUS WALKER.

Censor

28397

Time

CONFIDENTIAL.

MINUTE.

No. 8/146/39.

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

5th November, 19 44.

From The Honourable

Colonial Secretary,

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

To The Naval Officer-in-Charge,

STANLEY.

With reference to your communication No. U./17 of the 1st of November, 1944, I am directed to inform you that the attention of the Censor has been drawn to the irregularity to which you refer and has been instructed to pass all correspondence from Naval Personnel through Naval Censorship.

(Sgd.) A. I. Fleuret  
for Colonial Secretary.

DECODE.

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TELEGRAM.

*From* Secretary of State for the Colonies.

*To* His Excellency the Governor.

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*Despatched* : 5th November, 1941. Time : 1720.

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

Circular No. 271. Despatch of letters through Cook & Sons to occupied France temporarily suspended owing to interruption of communications on the Continent.

SECRETARY OF STATE.

G.T.C.

DECODE.

TELEGRAM.

*From* COLONIAL SECRETARY

*To* OFFICER IN CHARGE SOUTH GEORGIA.

*Despatched* : 7th November, 19 41. *Time* : ...

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

No. 88. Despatch of letters through Cock & Sons to occupied  
France temporarily suspended

Colonial Secretary.



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Stanley  
25th Nov. 1941.

Sir,

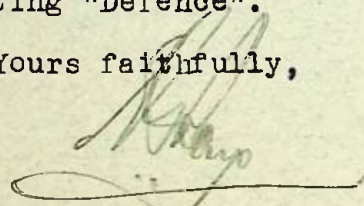
The enclosed telegram has been returned to me with the Censor's note as shewn thereon.

I can see no matter in this telegram which affects the Defence of the Islands and which is therefore subject to Censor's objection.

May I therefore ask for the Censor to be overruled on this matter and the telegram despatched in the ordinary course without further delay.

Subject to a considered reply shewing where the message contravenes any reasons affecting "Defence".

Yours faithfully,



The Hon.  
The Colonial Secretary  
Stanley.

146/39.

28th November,

41.

Sir,

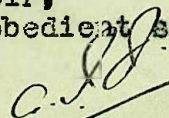
I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 25th of November, 1941, on the subject of a telegram returned to you by the Censor, and to inform you that the Colonial Secretary has no authority in the matter.

2. The telegram which accompanied your letter is returned herewith.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,



for Colonial Secretary.

E.G. Rowe, Esq.,  
STANLEY.

STANLEY,  
1st October, 1941.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

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 September, 1941.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

*J. H. Amilton*

Censorship Officer.

The Controller,  
Postal & Telegraphic Censorship,  
STANLEY.

STANLEY,  
1st November, 1941.

PALM LANE ISLANDS.

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 October, 1941.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

*J. B. ...*

Censorship Officer.

The Controller,  
Postal & Telegraphic Censorship,  
STANLEY.

No.

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

MINUTE.

16<sup>th</sup> Decbr. 1941

From The  
Colonial Postmaster

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

To The Honourable,  
The Colonial Secretary,  
Stanley.

I have the honour to forward a copy of the revised leaflet regarding communication with prisoners of war interned abroad. May I have it published

M.C.P.M.

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STANLEY,

10th January, 1942

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

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 November, 1941.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

*J. B. Smith*

Censorship Officer.

The Controller,  
Postal & Telegraphic Censorship,  
LONDON.

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STANLEY,

10th January, 1942.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

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 December, 1941.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

*J. H. M. [Signature]*

Censorship Officer.

The Controller,  
Postal & Telegraphic Censorship,  
LONDON.

DECODE.

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TELEGRAM.

No. 134.

*From*..... SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES.

*To*..... HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.

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*Despatched* :                    13th January, 19 42.    *Time* : 11.00

*Received* :                    14th January, 19 42.    *Time* : 1030.

Circular No 7. Secret. Leakages of movements of Allied reinforcing aircraft on various routes have been reported. Please instruct Chief Censor that relevant security instructions for examination of all communications must be strictly observed.

I.D.C.O.

SECRETARY OF STATE.



Colonial Secretary's Office,  
Stanley, Falkland Islands,  
14th January, 1942.

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,



for Colonial Secretary.

M.P. 146/39.

COMMUNICATION WITH PRISONERS OF WAR INTERNED ABROAD.

1. This leaflet applies primarily to British (including Dominion and Colonial) prisoners of war interned in enemy and neutral countries; but paragraphs 2-4 as regards the letter post are also applicable to letters and postcards addressed to prisoners of war of other nationalities interned abroad. The term "Prisoners of War" includes all interned persons, naval, military, air force and civilian.

British Service men who are in the hands of the French (Vichy) Government do not come into the same category as prisoners of war, and relatives should apply to the Foreign Relations Department, British Red Cross and St. John War Organisation, Warwick House, St. James's, London, S.W.1., for information regarding communications with these men.

LETTER POST.

2. Letters and postcards may be sent post free by ordinary post (for air mail facilities see paragraph 5). They should be posted in the ordinary way and should not be sent to the British Red Cross Society to be forwarded. They should be clearly written or typed, and letters should not exceed two sides of a normal sized sheet of notepaper; otherwise they are liable to delay and may even not be delivered by the authorities in the country to which they are addressed.

In the interests of the prisoners, relatives should limit their letters to one or two a week; the more that are sent the more are they likely to be delayed by the censorship abroad. For the same reason letters from strangers are to be deprecated.

Letters and postcards must only deal with purely personal matters, and care should be taken that no information of any kind which might be of use to the enemy is given. No reference to naval, military, aerial, economic or political matters are allowed, and movements of any members of His Majesty's Force

or any warship or merchant ship must not be mentioned.

3. Enclosures. - No enclosures are allowed in the air letter card(see paragraph 5).

Any enclosure in a letter may cause delay. Snapshots or unmounted photographs of a personal nature are, however, allowed and simple bank statements (not pass books) may be sent. International reply coupons must not be sent; their use for the prepayment of air letters is unnecessary and is not permitted. Picture postcards, birthday or greeting cards bearing pictorial illustrations and pictorial matter of any kind are forbidden. The Letter Post may be used only for letters and postcards and must on no account be used for sending small articles such as packets of razor blades, chocolate, etc.; such items may be sent only in the next of kin parcel (see paragraph 14).

4. Method of Address. - It is of the utmost importance that the details of the address should be correct and correspondents should make sure that they use the latest address supplied by the prisoner. In the case of prisoners in German hands the address is usually given on the back of

Specimen Address.

<u>Hants.</u> <u>Andover,</u> <u>35, Maple Road,</u> + From Mrs. J. Smith,	
Prisoners of War Post. KRIEGSGEFANGENENPOST.	No stamp required unless sent by air mail.
+ <u>A. B. J. SMITH</u> or <u>Corporal T. ATKINS,</u> or <u>Leading Aircraftman K. JONES,</u> <u>British Prisoner of War 3306,</u> <u>Stalag XXa (2a),</u> <u>Germany.</u>	

+ The details underlined in the foregoing specimen addresses are merely examples and care should be taken that the details furnished in letters sent by the prisoner are inserted in the address of letters sent to him.

their letter cards or postcards, in particular the Camp number is shown after the words "Lager - Bezeichnung". The address should be clearly written in INK both on the envelope and on the letter itself. The use of adhesive address labels or previously used envelopes is strictly forbidden.

(i) For prisoners whose prisoner of war number and camp address are known. - No mention should be made either in the address or in the letter of the unit or regiment in which the prisoner of war was serving at the time of his capture. The following particulars should be given:-

- (a) Rank (unless the addressee is an interned civilian), initials and surname (preferably in block letters).
- (b) British Prisoner of War (or British Interned Civilian)
- (c) Prisoner of War Number. (For prisoners in German hands this number is a most important element of the

address. Care should be taken to quote it correctly; it should not be confused with the service number given him by the British authorities. Prisoners in Italian hands are not given a prisoner of war number and the British service number should be quoted.)

(d) Camp address. (It is important that the camp address should be complete, e.g., in the specimen address on page 1 "Stalag" means "permanent camp" and is insufficient without the addition of the appropriate number, including any subsidiary lettering or numbers giving perhaps details of a working Camp subordinate to the parent Camp, e.g., Stalag XXa(2a).

(e) Country.

The top left-hand corner of the envelope should bear the words "Prisoners of War post", and if addressed to a prisoner of war in German hands, the equivalent word " KRIEGSGEFANGENENPOST" should be added, or if addressed to a prisoner of war in Italian hands the words "service des prisonniers de guerre". The name and address of the sender should be written on the back of the envelope. If, however, the sender is serving in His Majesty's Forces, whether at home or abroad, he must on no account give the address of his unit; instead he should state the address of a relative or friend in this country, who would be willing to send on any letters received from the prisoner.

(ii) For prisoners in German hands whose prisoner of war number and/or camp address have not yet been announced.

Letters may be addressed to such prisoners of war as follows :-

Regtl. No..... Rank..... Name.....  
(Block letters).

British Prisoner of War,  
P/W Number (if known),  
C/o Agence Centrale des prisonniers de guerre,  
Comite International de la Crois-Rouge,  
Geneva,  
Switzerland.

(iii) For prisoners in Italian hands whose camp address Has not yet been announced.

Letters may be addressed to such prisoners of war as follows:-

Regtl. No..... Rank..... Name.....  
(Block letters).

British Prisoner of War,  
C/o Croce Rosse Italiana,  
6 Via Puglie,  
Rome.

It should, however, be particularly noted that as soon as the prisoner of war number and the camp address have been received for prisoners in German hands, and as soon as the camp address has been received for prisoners in Italian hands, letters should be addressed directly to the camp (as under 4 (1). Failure to do so will cause delay.

5. Air Mail.- (a) An air letter card specially designed for writing to prisoners of war is on sale at most Post Offices It costs 3d., and goes all the way to Germany or Italy by air. No enclosures may be sent.

(b) Letters and postcards may be prepaid at the rate of 5d for the first ounce and 3d for each additional ounce (postcards 2½d). They should bear a blue air mail label in the top left hand corner. They go by air all the way to Germany or Italy.

(c) All letters and postcards from prisoners of war in Germany and Italy are brought by air from Lisbon to this country free of charge. Those from Germany travel by air from Germany to Lisbon free of charge. It is hoped shortly to arrange for similar facilities for letters from Italy.

N.B. - No attempt should be made to communicate with Prisoners of War through people in neutral countries; letters forwarded by prisoners through intermediaries in neutral countries do not receive the privilege of free air mail transmission from Lisbon.

#### PARCEL POST.

##### Parcels for Prisoners of War in Enemy (or Enemy occupied) Countries.

6. Parcels cannot be despatched by relatives direct to a prisoner of war. Food, clothing, soap and tobacco are sent regularly to prisoners in enemy countries by the British Red Cross Society and Order of St. John of Jerusalem (see paragraph 9), and "next-of-kin" parcels for prisoners in enemy countries may be sent under the arrangement explained in paragraph 12 of this leaflet. A card of acknowledgement for signature and return by the prisoner is enclosed in every parcel despatched. For parcels for prisoners of war in neutral countries see paragraphs 17-19.

7. In addition to the parcels sent by the Red Cross, orders may be given to firms holding special permits for the direct despatch of parcels containing books, music, packs of cards, games, tobacco and cigarettes (see paragraphs 20 and 22). Parcels may not be sent by air mail.

8. Customs duty is not normally charged on parcels sent to prisoners; and the Customs Declarations and Despatch Notes which usually have to be prepared by the senders of foreign parcels are not required.

Note. Parcels or packets posted otherwise than in accordance with these notes will be returned to the sender.

##### Parcels sent by the British Red Cross.

9. Food and, except as set out in paragraph 22, Tobacco cannot be sent by relatives to a prisoner of war. Food, soap, cigarettes and tobacco at the cost of 10s. per parcel are sent to British, Dominion and Colonial prisoners of war in enemy territory by the British Red Cross and St. John War Organization. Contributions towards defraying this expenditure will be gratefully accepted. Such contributions should be sent to the Accountant, Prisoners of War Department, St. James's Palace, London, S.W.1. or to the Scottish Red Cross, 206, Bath Street, Glasgow, C.2. These contributions will be paid into the funds of the Prisoners of War Department to defray the cost of the food parcels sent to all prisoners. (Postage must be paid on letters addressed to the Red Cross Society.)

10. Invalid Comforts. - The Invalid Comforts Section despatches consignments of ordinary household drugs together with such things as cod liver oil and malt, invalid

food and comforts addressed to the Camp Leader of the Prisoners of War Camps, in order that in the case of illness or minor injuries, that are not sufficiently severe for hospital treatment, remedies may be at hand when needed.

Relatives may, in certain circumstances, send an invalid comforts parcel every twelve weeks, but they must first communicate with the Hon. Secretary, Invalid Comforts Section, 14, Carlton House Terrace, London, S.W.1, for authorisation, as each case is considered on its merits. At the request of the relatives or the Senior Officer of the Camp, individual food parcels can be arranged for serious or chronic cases requiring special diet, in place of the standard food parcels. Invalid Comforts food parcels are sent to all hospitals where it is known there are British Prisoners of War. Surgical appliances such as spectacles, dentures and other urgently needed requisites can be sent through the Invalid Comforts Section.

11. Clothing. - The British Government supplies all clothing for Prisoners of War (i.e., greatcoats, battledress or uniform, boots, underclothing, towels, etc). The British Red Cross Society arranges for its packing and despatch.

"Next of Kin" Parcels for Prisoners in Enemy (or Enemy-occupied) Countries.

12. Once every three months the next of kin of a prisoner in enemy territory is allowed to send him a "next of kin" parcel. The parcel must not weigh more than 10 lb. when packed, so that when repacked it comes within the international limit of weight. Each parcel must bear a special tie-on label which will be sent quarterly direct to the next of kin by the British Red Cross Society. The sender must fill in the label, which will then bear an address in the following form :-

Prisoner of War NEXT OF KIN PARCEL.  
Regimental No..... Prisoner of War No.....  
Rank..... Name.....  
Camp.....  
C/o British Red Cross Society & Order of St. John,  
14, Finsbury Circus,  
London, E.C.2.

The address must also be copied in ink on the cover of the parcel. Unless the parcel bears the special label, it will not be accepted at a Post Office. No postage is required. If the sender requires an acknowledgement of the receipt of the parcel at Finsbury Circus, a stamped addressed postcard should be enclosed.

13. Packing. - The parcels should be packed as for the inland post. The name and address of the sender must be clearly written on the cover of the parcel, except that if the sender is serving in His Majesty's Forces he must not write his own address but must give the address of a relative or friend and may request the relative or friend to forward any acknowledgements received in respect of the parcel. A duplicate list of the contents must be put inside the parcel; forms for this purpose are sent with the tie-on label by the British Red Cross Society

14. Permissible Articles.- Among the articles which may be sent are the following :-

- Attaché cases.
- Blankets. Boots, boot laces; gum boots. Brilliantine in tins. Brushes of all kinds.
- Button-cleaning outfits (solid, not liquid polish).
- Chewing gum. Solid chocolate in slabs (no filling).
- Cigarette filter tips and cigarette rolling machine but NOT cigarettes or cigarette papers.

Clothing, including underwear, civilian or Service shirts, any footwear, knitted comforts or uniform. (See paragraph 15 for prohibited articles.)  
Coloured silks and cottons, plain linen or canvas for embroidering.  
Dentrifice (solid or powder but NOT in tubes).  
Frames with talc or unbreakable glass.  
Hussifs containing usual items.  
Kit bags (without locks or metal eye holes). Knitting needles and wool.  
Pencils. Pipes and tobacco pouch.  
Safety razors and blades. Safety tin openers.  
Shoe polish (solid, not liquid or in tubes). Shoe leather and nails for mending; metal studs for toes and heels.  
Small musical instruments.  
Soap of all kinds. Towels, face cloths and sponges.

15. Prohibited Articles. - The following articles may not be enclosed :-

- (i) Written communications (letters must be sent separately).
- (ii) Printed matter.
- (iii) Pictorial illustrations and photographs.
- (iv) Money, stamps, stationery and playing cards.
- (v) Articles in tubes, tins and other receptacles which cannot easily be opened for inspection.
- (vi) Candles, spirits or solidified spirit for cooking stoves, matches or any other inflammable material.
- (vii) Photographic apparatus, field glasses, sextants, compasses, electric torches and other instruments of use for naval and military purposes.
- (viii) Haversacks.
- (ix) Complete suits, coloured or grey flannel trousers, corduroy trousers, black or coloured shirts normally worn without coats, sports coats or blazers, mackintoshes, or any kind of overcoat. (These items of clothing, however, may be sent to civilians).
- (x) Food, tobacco, cigarettes. (See paragraphs 9 & 22)
- (xi) Medical comforts. This includes medicines of all kinds, drugs and bandages,
- (xii) Watches; Scissors (except small or nail scissors); knives and tools.
- (xiii) Pen nibs and fountain pens.

16. Return of prohibited articles. - On receipt in London of a next of kin parcel it will be re-packed under the supervision of a representative of the Censorship, and any prohibited articles will be withdrawn and returned to the sender.

PARCELS FOR PRISONERS OF WAR IN NEUTRAL COUNTRIES.

17. Address. - Parcels for prisoners of war in neutral countries must be forwarded through the British Red Cross Society. No special label is necessary and parcels should be addressed in the same way as letters (see paragraph 4) with the addition of the following :-

c/o British Red Cross Society,  
14, Finsbury Circus,  
London, E.C.2.

No postage is required.

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18. Packing.- Parcels when packed must not weigh more than 10 lb. each and should be packed as for inland post. A list of the contents should be put inside.

19. Contents. - Neither the articles numbered (i) to (ix) in paragraph 15 nor food may be sent. In order that any prohibited article may be returned to the sender his name and address should be written on the cover, as described in paragraph 13.

#### PARCELS AND PACKETS SENT BY PERMIT HOLDERS.

20. Books, Music, Packs of Cards, Games and Sports Equipment. - Many of the leading publishers and newsagents, etc., hold a special permit from the Censorship Department, which enables them to execute and despatch orders for books, music, packs of cards and games for prisoners of war in enemy or neutral countries. Holders of permits can accept only orders for despatch direct; they can in no case accept books, etc., for forwarding to prisoners.

21. Newspapers and Periodicals. - These may be sent in the same way as books to prisoners of war in neutral countries but not to prisoners of war in enemy territory.

22. Tobacco and Cigarettes. - These may be sent to prisoners of war and interned civilians in enemy and enemy occupied countries and prisoners of war in neutral countries by firms who hold a special permit from the Censorship Department. Orders should be placed with these firms by relatives desiring to take advantage of the arrangement. The minimum quantity which may be sent free of duty in one parcel is 4 oz. net.

23. Parcels (but not packets) despatched to neutral countries by permit holders must be accompanied by the appropriate number of Customs Declarations and Despatch Notes. The maximum limit of weight for parcels despatched to neutral or enemy countries is 11 lb.

#### EDUCATIONAL BOOKS.

24. The Educational Books Section of the British Red Cross Society arranges for prisoners of war to continue their preparations for examinations, and enables them to undertake vocational training with a view to preparing themselves for the after-war period. The Society gives advice, and arranges for books to be sent to any prisoner wishing to read a special subject. Forms of request for these books are sent to the prison camps. Financial contributions from relatives and friends are invited, but when these cannot be given the Society undertakes the whole cost. Correspondence courses cannot be sent direct to prisoners of war, but on application to the Society help will be given as to possible means of despatch.

#### TELEGRAMS.

25. Telegrams making inquiry regarding the welfare or whereabouts of prisoners of war cannot be sent to countries abroad. Such inquiries must be addressed to the British Red Cross Society, The Lord Chamberlain's Office, St. James's Palace, London, S.W.1.

There is no telegraph service to prisoners of war, but in cases of grave emergency only it is sometimes possible for the

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British Red Cross Society to send a message to the International Red Cross Committee in Geneva for them to pass on to their representative in Berlin or Rome to send to the prisoner concerned. Inquiries regarding the despatch of messages in such cases should be addressed to the British Red Cross Society at the address shown above.

August, 1941.

General Post Office.



DECODE.

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TELEGRAM.

No. 279. From SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES.

To HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.

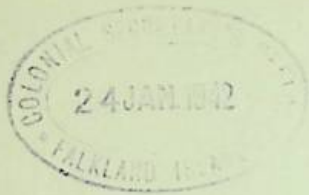
*Despatched :* 20th January, 19 42. *Time :* 1915.

*Received :* 21st January, 19 42. *Time :* 1030.

Circular unnumbered January 20th. Press Notice issued by the General Post Office states that relatives of British prisoners in German hands may have received special reply cards or special labels with intimation from prisoners that unless these are used letters and parcels will not reach them. Postmaster General has received assurance that the restriction does not apply to correspondence of British and Dominion prisoners and he advises relatives not to use the special reply cards or labels notwithstanding anything the prisoners may have said. He understands Camp authorities in Germany have been suitably instructed and it is hoped that the issue of cards and labels will now be discontinued.

G. T. C.

SECRETARY OF STATE.



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From the Secretary of State for the Colonies.

To the Officer Administering the Government of

Circular Telegram Saving.

**FALKLAND ISLANDS**

1st December, 1941.

SECRET.

I am advised that information is being passed by means of writing behind stamps on letters and parcels from enemy countries for prisoners of war. Military authorities have issued instructions in this country that all stamps must be removed before mail is delivered to prisoners of war camps, and have communicated with Commands overseas with view to similar action by them. I suggest that if not already taken similar precautions should be taken with regard to mail for internees.

DECODE.

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TELEGRAM.

*From* ..... COLONIAL SECRETARY.....

*To* ..... OFFICER IN CHARGE, SOUTH GEORGIA.....

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*Despatched* :            28th January,    19 42.    *Time* : ....

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

No. 10. In future all stamps must be removed from mail for internees before delivery. Please take necessary action with regard to mail for Krauss.

COLONIAL SECRETARY.

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146/39.

5th February,

42.

Sir,

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

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

The Controller,  
Postal & Telegraphs Censors,  
LONDON.

for Colonial Secretary.

STANLEY,

5th February, 1942.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

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 January, 1942.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

*J. Hamilton*

Censorship Officer.

The Controller,  
Postal & Telegraphic Censorship,  
LONDON.

DECODE.

TELEGRAM.

No. 59.

*From*.....SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES.

*To*.....HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.

*Despatched* :                    12th February, 19 42. *Time* :        1500.

*Received* :                    13th February, 19 42. *Time* :        1030.

*Red 13.*

Unnumbered Circular February 12th Secret, My Circular telegram No. 185 July 24th. Pending the issue of Government recoding tables, insecure group codes should not be used for telegrams specifically dealing with the movements of ships. Such telegrams should be sent in secure cypher under arrangements outlined in the telegram under reference and by whichever authority is able to handle the traffic sufficiently expeditely. Naval authorities have been notified by the Admiralty.

I.D.C.O.

SECRETARY OF STATE.

DECODE.

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TELEGRAM.

No. 231.

*From* SEC ETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES.

*To* HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.

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*Despatched :* 17th February, 19 42. *Time :* 1600.

*Received :* 18th February, 19 42. *Time :* 1030.

Circular No. 25. Secret. With reference to paragraph (a) of my circular telegram Secret Saving November 30th 1940 and paragraph 1 (3) Admiralty memorandum enclosed in my circular despatch Secret November 7th 1941 all tankers should be included as special ships.

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I. D. C. O.

SECRETARY OF STATE.

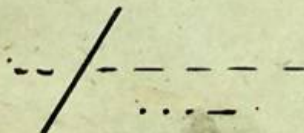
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DECODE.

TELEGRAM.

No. 296. From SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES.

To HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.

Despatched : 21st February, 19 42. Time : 2140.

Received : 22nd February, 19 42. Time : 1030.

Circular No. 28. Secret. In the event of serious cable breakdown essential that commercial messages concerning shipping which it is desired to send in Government cypher should be "filtered" to ensure security of each or cypher is not prejudiced by abnormal volume such messages being sent by wireless.

Use of cyphers for such commercial messages should be confined to essential messages which if intercepted would give the enemy information of movements of ships.

Other essential shipping messages may have to be sent by wireless in plain language accepting the slight risk. Non-essential messages must be stopped.

At British Ports oversea filtering must be done by local Naval Authorities in close collaboration with local telegraph censors.

Ministry of War Transport representatives will advise at all ports where available.

Shipping messages containing dangerous matter may always be sent in two parts; innocuous position in plain language followed by trailer containing dangerous portion in cypher but necessary reference link must be inserted in trailer and not repeat not in plain language message. Firms should be instructed to make out such messages in two parts - one if appropriate to be encyphered the other to be returned for them to despatch in plain language.

I.D.C.O.

SECRETARY OF STATE.

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DECODE.

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TELEGRAM.

*From*..... OFFICER IN CHARGE..... SOUTH GEORGIA.

*To*..... COLONIAL SECRETARY.....

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*Despatched* :                    5th -March,        19 42.    *Time* :    18.17.

*Received* :                    6th March,        19 42.    *Time* :    10.30.

No. 33. An account has been received from Secretary Pesca for sum of £10 representing his fees for censoring letters written in Spanish by members of Pesca personnel during season 1940/1941. May I be informed if this amount should be paid

OFFICER IN CHARGE.

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DECODE.

TELEGRAM.

*From* COLONIAL SECRETARY.

*To* OFFICER IN CHARGE SOUTH GEORGIA.

*Despatched* : 6th March, 19 42. *Time* : ....

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

*Red 97.*

No. 35. Your telegram No. 33 reply is in affirmative. Amount should be charged to Head XVII item 21.

COLONIAL SECRETARY.

DECODE.

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TELEGRAM.

No. 85.

*From* The Secretary of State for the Colonies.

*To* His Excellency the Governor.

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*Despatched* : 25th March, 1942 *Time* : 20.30

*Received* : 26th March 1942 *Time* : 10.00

Circular Maritime No. 5. Secret. Following for Chief Censor from Blanketing. Reliably reported Red Cross Organization is being exploited by enemy for collection of shipping intelligence and especially to approach crews of Dutch ships. Evidence of this is (a) unknown correspondents writing from America and neutral countries offering to act as intermediaries for sending letters to and from seamen's families in enemy occupied country (b) International Red Cross making enquiries about crews of Allied ships or even whereabouts of ship only (c) sailors from enemy occupied territory serving with Allied Merchant Fleet receiving messages purporting to come from relatives known to be dead. Please intensify watch on this development.

SECRETARY OF STATE.

S/146/39.

17th April,

42.

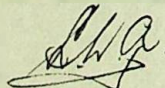
Sir,

I am directed by the Governor to inform you that His Excellency has been pleased to appoint you to be Postal and Cable Censor for the Dependency of South Georgia with effect from the date of your arrival in that Dependency.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,



For Colonial Secretary.

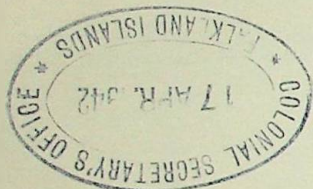
Captain A.I. Fleuret, M.B.E., J.P.,  
Magistrate,  
SOUTH GEORGIA.

SHIP MOVEMENTS DISCLOSED IN LETTERS.

The harm that can be done by relatives and friends encouraging Merchant Navy officers and men to write letters about their voyages and the ports they may visit is emphasized by the Admiralty. A large new merchant ship was recently lost with all on board except two men. About two months before a letter was intercepted by the censor which contained thinly disguised information about the prospective movements of the ship, and disclosed the existence of a code for place names arranged between the writer and the addressee. The possibility cannot be ignored that other letters containing similar information may have been captured by the enemy, or, in some other way, may have been the cause of the loss of the vessel.

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HAMBLEDON,  
STANLEY,  
FALKLAND ISLANDS.



17<sup>th</sup> April 1942.

Sir, I enclose 2  
copies of an extract  
from "The Times"  
which you might  
consider worth  
having published

either officially or  
through the medium  
of the I. I. News  
Weekly.

I am, Sir,  
Your obedient servant

J. P. [Signature]  
J.P.

The Honourable  
The Colonial Secretary.



S/146/39.

20th April,

42.

Sir,

Red III.

I am directed to acknowledge and thank you for your letter of the 17th April, and to say that arrangements have been made to publish the extract in the News Weekly and Church Bulletin.

I am,  
Sir,  
Your obedient servant,



for Colonial Secretary.

J.D. Greamer, Esq., J.P.,  
STANLEY.

STANLEY,

16th May, 1942.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

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 months of February, March and April, 1942.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

*g 40*

Censorship Officer.

The Controller,  
Postal & Telegraphic Censorship,  
LONDON.

*Stanley*

Secret.

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MINUTE.

No. \_\_\_\_\_

May 27 1942

To  
From

From Censorship Office

Stanley.

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

With reference to the expected call at Fox Bay of Fitzroy to pick up our overseas mail I propose that Dr. E. D. J. Dunlop J.P. be appointed British censor and that I should send him the telegrams below on his appointment and a small supply of the printed labels.

" From Censor Stanley

Censorship of mail. Open with a knife ten per cent letters selected at random. Information of use to enemy e.g. movements of ship or captain or cargo unwise criticisms of Government or Defence measures or Defence force to be cut out with scissors. Destroy parts cut out. Labels for sealing opened letters will be sent by Pitt all him on arrival and. Have all ready for labels before he arrives.

Have censoring done before he arrives. Keep left over labels locked up.

Special attention letters to foreign countries "

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J.P.D.

DECODE.

TELEGRAM.

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No. 16.

*From* SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES.

*To* HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.

*Despatched* : 4th July, 19 42. *Time* : 1900.

*Received* : 5th July, 19 42. *Time* : 1030.

Unnumbered. Circular Secret July 4th. Ministry of Economic Warfare reports the practice of attempts to evade censorship by the carriage of mails by passengers and crews of ships calling at Colonial ports has recently reached large proportions. Please request the Censor Authorities to send the United Kingdom all letters surrendered by or removed from passengers or crews neutral ships calling voluntary or involuntary. This arrangement will have the double advantage that letters so carried are subject to administrative delay and full examination.

I.D.C.O.

SECRETARY OF STATE.

DECODE.

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TELEGRAM.

From SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES.

To HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.

Despatched: 2nd August, 19 42. Time: 1736.

Received: 3rd August, 19 42. Time: 1030.

Unnumbered Circular Secret. Following from Blanketing for Censor begins. Following for Information and action. Particulars correct postal address in use for communications to troops.

"Place name" means Town and County or Country. All communications to Troops must give the number (except Officers) rank name section unit and unit or corps followed by address as under.

1. Great Britain. To personnel General Headquarters Home Forces, Headquarters Eastern and South Eastern Commands, or an, Corps districts, divisions, support groups and brigades, also rarely air borne troops and Units and designation indicating they belong to the above formations address Home Forces (no place name). Remainder including Anti-aircraft and aerodrome defence formations and units use place name address.

2. Northern Ireland. All operational formations and component units address Home Forces. Remainder 6784 drop address.

3. Cyprus, Egypt, Anglo Egyptian Sudan, Aden, Iraq and Persia address Middle East Force.

4. Kenya Uganda Tanganyika Abyssinia British Somaliland Italian Somaliland and Eritrea address East African Force.

5. Sierra Leone address A.P.O.S. 101. Permitting address A P O S 102. Gambia address A P O S 103. Gold Coast address A P O S 100. Followed in each case by West African Force.

6. India. Address Army Base Postal clearing section Bombay or Karachi (latter air mails only) or place name.

*See Rev 188. Address India Command*

7. Ceylon address Army Post Office Ceylon.

8. Iceland (c) address British Troops in Iceland (c). Faroes address Faroes Islands Forces.

9. Madagascar. Address 121 Force (no place name).

10. Other places (including Gibraltar and Malta) normal place name address.

11. A P O numbers are used as accommodation address for Troops in transit ex United Kingdom and denotes various destinations. On arrival troops should use address authorized for normal use.

Note. Telegrams mentioning military naval or air force units in address or text must unless encoded be sent par fil ends.

I.D.C.O.

SECRETARY OF STATE.

DECODE.

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TELEGRAM.

No. 83. *From*..... SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES.

*To*.....  
HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.

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*Despatched* :            4th August,    19 42.    *Time* : 1610.

*Received* :            5th August,    19 42.    *Time* : 1030.

*Red. 134*

Unnumbered. With reference to my telegram of August 2nd Circular unnumbered paragraph 2 ends "remainder place - name address" paragraph 6 begins "India" address Army Base Postal".

Message ends "Text must unless en coded be sent par Fil".

G. T. C.

SECRETARY OF STATE.

STANLEY,

20th August, 1942.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

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 months of May, June and July, 1942.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

  
Censorship Officer.

The Controller,  
Postal & 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* : 26th August, 19 42. *Time* : 1055.

*Received* : 26th August, 19 42. *Time* : 16.30.

Circular unnumbered Secret. Your telegram 25th ~~August~~ <sup>June</sup> Circular unnumbered following from Blanketing for Censor. Cancel watch on letters routed through Luis Palou.

SECRETARY OF STATE.



DECODE.

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TELEGRAM.

No. 894.

*From* Secretary of State for the Colonies,

*To* His Excellency the Governor.

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*Despatched* : 28th August, 19 42. *Time* : 1715.

*Received* : 29th August, 19 42. *Time* : 1030.

Unnumbered. Secret. My telegram 26th August unnumbered  
Circular reference is to my telegram 25th June, 1941  
unnumbered Circular.

*Red 140.*

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SECRETARY OF STATE.

G.T.C.

DECODE.

TELEGRAM.

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No. 109. From The Secretary of State for the Colonies,  
To His Excellency the Governor.

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*Despatched* : 10th September, 19 42. *Time* : 1150.

*Received* : 10th September, 19 42. *Time* : 1230.

My telegram No. 147 Circular. Please use " SYDPR" as  
indicator.

SECRETARY OF STATE.

G.T.C.

DECODE.

TELEGRAM.

145.

No. 110.

*From* Secretary of State for the Colonies,

*To* His Excellency the Governor.

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*Despatched:* 10th September, 1942, *Time:* 1307.

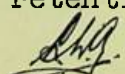
*Received:* 10th September, 19 42. *Time:* 1030.

Circular No. 147. Secret. Following from Censor for transmission to local cable Censor. "Please will you state clearly on submissions when letters or enclosures have been through previous Censorship (a) enemy (b) other. (a) largely determines value of information (b) affects its distribution by us".

SECRETARY OF STATE.

I.D.C.O.

Copy of Telegram forwarded to Chief Censor  
for his information & retention.

  
A/A.C.S.  
11/9/42

From the Secretary of State for the Colonies.

To the Officer Administering the Government of

Circular Telegram Saving.

FALKLAND ISLANDS



SECRET

8th June, 1942.

*R/S 101*

My Secret circular note of 26th December 1941. Standardisation of labels and stamps in use by censorship stations. The following additional indicator should be added to the Index.

X X Ascension Island.

*Donegan  
19/10/42*



From the Secretary of State for the Colonies.

To the Officer Administering the Government of.....

Circular Telegram Saving.

**FALKLAND ISLANDS**

23rd July, 1942.

SECRET.

Please arrange with postal and telegraphic censors that no information is sent out of the Colony tending to suggest that Intelligence Officers or Agents are employed under aliases to penetrate fifth column or other organisations intended to help the enemy. It is important also to prevent as far as possible local publication of such information.

DECODE.

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TELEGRAM.

From..... SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES.

No. 207.

To..... HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.....

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Despatched: 19th. October                      19 42. Time: 07.35.  
Received: 20th. October                      19 42. Time: .....

Unnumbered Circular October 19th.

Following from Blanketing for Chisor begins. Present practice by United Kingdom is to allow confirmatory copies of telegrams being sent by asking for. This however is prohibited by the United States. Please telegraph which practice is followed by you. Ends.

SECRETARY OF STATE.

I. D. C. O.

DECODE.

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TELEGRAM.

From His Excellency the Governor,

To Secretary of State for the Colonies.

Despatched: 23rd October, 19 42. Time: ...

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

Red 152.

Unnumbered. Your unnumbered Circular telegram October 19th following from Chief Censor for Blanketing begins. For technical reasons confirmatory copies are not sent from this Station, but there is no prohibition. Ends.

GOVERNOR.

I.D.C.O.

STANLEY,  
31st October, 1942.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

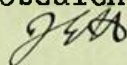
Sir,

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 referer to the months of August, September and October, 1942.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

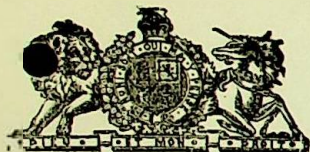
Your obedient servant,



Censorship Officer.

The Controller,  
Postal & Telegraphic Censorship,  
STANLEY.





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BRITISH CONSULATE,  
PUNTA ARENAS, CHILE.

October 29th, 1942.

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The Colonial Secretary,  
Port Stanley,  
Falkland Islands.



Sir,

I have the honour to report that a mail from the Falkland Islands arrived here recently and out of seventeen letters - all addressed to private individuals - only three were censored.

2. Information which might be of importance to the enemy might have been enclosed.

3. Also, some time ago, letters were received here from the Falklands, which had been brought out by members of the crew of the "Fitzroy".

4. I wish to bring to your notice that quite a number of people here have relatives on the islands.

I have the honour to be,  
Sir,

Your most obedient Servant,

*C. Y. Woodford-Booth*

H.B.M.'s Consul.

SECRET.

9th December,

42.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your letter dated the 29th October, which has just arrived, regarding the censorship of mails.

2. No mails are now sent direct to Punta Arenas and every effort is being made to ensure that no letters are smuggled out by the crew of the Fitzroy. During the last few months a 100% censorship has been imposed on all letters with South American destinations and I do not think you need feel any further concern.

3. You will, of course, appreciate that in spite of all warnings a certain amount of information is bound to get out in South American ports through the gossip of the crew of the Fitzroy and other ships.

I have the honour to be,  
Sir,

Your obedient servant,

K. G. BRADLEY

Colonial Secretary.

H.B.M.'s Consul,  
British Consulate,  
Punta Arenas,  
CHILE.

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STANLEY,

9th December, 1942.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

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 November, 1942.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

*J. Hamilton*

Censorship Officer.

The Controller,  
Postal & Telegraphic Censorship,  
STANLEY.

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The Secretary of State for the Colonies.  
To the Officer Administering the Government of FALKLAND ISLANDS

Date 3 November, 1942.

No. 37 Saving.

SECRET

Kid (91)

My secret circular despatch of 18th December 1941 regarding the proposals for ensuring uniformity of design for stamps and labels by Censorship Authorities throughout the Empire. Please confirm by telegram that scheme has been adopted locally, and, if so, request local Censorship Authorities to send to Blanketing samples of new labels and impressions of new rubber stamp, after which samples will not be sent every quarter unless there is any further change.

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STANLEY,  
2nd January, 1943.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

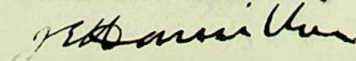
Sir,

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 December, 1942.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,



Censorship Officer.

The Controller,  
Postal & Telegraphic Censorship,  
STANLEY.

DECODE.

TELEGRAM.

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From HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.

S/ 146/39.

To SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES.

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Despatched : 6th. January 19 43. Time : .....

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

Red 168

No. 5. SECRET. Your telegram Saving No 37. Censorship. Existing stock of labels unexhausted. No repeat no rubber stamps used. Do not propose use index letter since all censorship is terminal and all letters date-stamped Falkland Islands.

In & Out Code.

Governpr.

DECODE.

TELEGRAM.

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No. 1648.

*From* SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES.

*To* HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.

M.P. 146/39.

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*Despatched* : 13th. January 19 43. *Time* : 21.00.  
*Received* : 14th. January 19 43. *Time* : . . . .

UNNUMBERED January 13th. SECRET. Following from Blanketing for Chesor Begins. "MOST IMMEDIATE. Feared Censorship Low Grade Cypher compromised. All communications in this Cypher must therefore cease forthwith. All repeat all copies of Low Grade books on your charge must be destroyed by fire immediately and destruction certificates forwarded to Blanketing by Air Mail. Immediately destruction is completed following en clair cable should be sent " Blanketing London obliterated " Ends."

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Falkland Islands.

I hereby certify that the only copy of Low Grade  
Cypher held by me, and numbered 263 has been destroyed  
by fire.

J. B. Hamilton

Censorship Officer.

15th January, 1943.



DECODE.

TELEGRAM.

No. 1067.

*From* SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES. M.P. 146/39.

*To* HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.

*Despatched:* 16th. February 19 43. *Time:* 09.45.

*Received:* 17th. February 19 43. *Time:* ...

UNNUMBERED. CIRCULAR. February 16th. SECRET.

Following from Blanketing for Chesor.

Chesor Antigua has been informed by Blanketing direct begins.

In order to avoid reprisals it has been decided that in future no repeat no excisions shall be made in correspondence addressed to British Dominion Colonial or Allied Prisoners of War in enemy hands. Deletion may still be practised but only where 100 % effectively done by use of methods laid down in recent Circulars from Testing Department here. In all repeat all other cases letters containing indiscretions etc. unsuitable for transmission should be returned to sender for rewriting with an enclosure slip explaining what parts of the letter require emendation before it can be forwarded. Above applies to Terminal Mails only. Prisoners of War Mails in transit should not repeat not normally be examined. Ends.

Secretary of State.

I.D.C.O.

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STANLEY,

19th February, 1943.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

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 January, 1943.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

*J. Hamilton*

Censorship Officer.

The Controller,  
Postal & Telegraphic Censorship,  
STANLEY.

146/39.

Grateful  
- 1942/11/11

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From the Secretary of State for the Colonies.

To the Officer Administering the Government of

CIRCULAR TELEGRAM SAVING.

**FALKLAND ISLANDS**

12th November, 1942.



Following is text of Press Notice issued by Postmaster General:

The Postmaster General wishes to remind relatives of prisoners of war in Germany and Italy that letters and parcels should always bear the latest form of address given by the prisoner. This will generally be a camp number only, but exceptionally in the case of prisoners in hospitals may sometimes include a place name. Unless a place name is included by the prisoner in his address the location of the camp should not be shown in the address of correspondence sent to him.

For instance, in the case of a prisoner in Campo P.G. 78, P.M. 3300, Italy, the correct address would be as in the following example:-

333444 Private G. BROWN,  
British Prisoner of War,  
Campo P.G. 78, P.M. 3300,  
Italy.

The Italian Authorities have now intimated that after the 31st January 1943, letters received in Italy for prisoners of war in their hands, which incorrectly bear the place name instead of or in addition to the number of the camp, will be confiscated, and parcels so addressed will be returned to the senders.

2. Grateful if you would cause publicity to be given.

COPY OF A LETTER FROM THOS. COOK & SON, LTD. TO THE CROWN AGENTS.

Berkeley Street,  
London. W.1.

1942

Ref: EM/KCS.

6th May, 1942.

Gentlemen,

With reference to the arrangements in force for sending communications to persons resident in enemy or enemy occupied territory, we give below a list of outstandings in connection with the letters received from Dominions, Colonies, etc., and shall be obliged if you will kindly arrange for payment to be made at your convenience.

	<u>No. of letters.</u>	<u>Previous payments cover letters despatched up to:-</u>	<u>Amount outstanding.</u>
1. British Honduras	12	30th June, 1941.	£1. 4. Od.
2. Northern Rhodesia	32	31st Dec. 1940.	3. 4. Od.
3. Nigeria	6 (sent 15/4/41) 3 (sent 22/4/41)	Payments previous to, and after these dates duly received.	18. Od.
4. Newfoundland	31	No payments received.	3. 2. Od.
5. Ceylon	44	30th Sept. 1941.	4. 8. Od.
6. Jamaica	12	31st Dec. 1940.	1. 4. Od.
8. Falkland Islands	8	30th Nov. 1940.	16. Od. ✓
7. Hong Kong	30	30th April 1941.	3. 0. Od.
9. Solomon Islands	3	31st Oct. 1941.	6. Od.

Yours faithfully,

THOS. COOK & SON, LTD.

Per:-

(Signed).

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Communications to be addressed to The Crown Agents for the Colonies, 4, Millbank, London, S.W.1, and the above reference quoted.



4, MILLBANK, LONDON, S.W.1.

TELEGRAMS { INLAND: "CROWN SOWEST LONDON." OVERSEAS: "CROWN, LONDON." TELEPHONE: ABBEY 7730

29th May, 1942.

DUPLICATE - ORIGINAL FEARED LOST THROUGH ENEMY ACTION.

Sir,

I have the honour to enclose for your information a copy of a letter which we have received from Messrs. Thos. Cook and Son, Ltd. showing amounts outstanding in connection with forwarding communications to persons residing in enemy or enemy occupied territory and to enquire whether we may pay the sum stated to be due.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

For Crown Agents.

The Colonial Secretary,

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

See Red 118.

pay

19th April, 43.

Gentlemen,

*Red 195*

With reference to your letter of the 29th May, 1942, regarding the amount due to Messrs Thos. Cook & Son, Ltd., in connection with the forwarding of communications to persons residing in enemy or enemy occupied territory, I have the honour to request that you will be good enough to pay the sum in question, debiting same to the General Account of this Colony.

I have the honour to be,

Gentlemen,

*K.G.B.*  
Your obedient servant,  
K. G. BRADLEY

Colonial Secretary.

The Crown Agents for the Colonies,  
4, Millbank, Westminster,  
LONDON, S.W. 1.

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DECODE.

TELEGRAM.

From..... HON. COLONIAL SECRETARY.....

To..... MAGISTRATE SOUTH GEORGIA.....

Despatched: 19th. April 19 43. Time: .....

Received: 19 Time:

No. 23. SECRET.

Telegram 1735/17 from Hansen to Pesca Buenos Aires should not have been sent en clair but in cypher through N.O.I.C. Am repeating by this method from here. Please ensure absolute secrecy British shipping movements.

Colonial Secretary.

CYPHER OFFICE.

PA  
19/4/43

For the use of  
Cypher or  
Coding Office  
only.

BRITISH NAVAL  
BASE  
28 APR 1943

~~111~~  
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Originators Instructions:  
(Indication of Priority,  
AIDAC, NOTWT,  
For Exercise).

FALKLANDS INTERCEPT GROUP.

TO:  
NOI/C Falkland Islands repeated N.A. Montevideo.

FROM: N.A.  
Buenos Aires.

Your 191611. PESCA explain message refers to 2 catchers ex Norwegian now at South Georgia which have been transferred to British Flag. PESCA ships HARPON and TORNQVIST leave B.A.

3rd week May for South Georgia to fuel catchers for voyage to Montevideo. PESCA manager

instructed hand all messages giving movements to Magistrate South Georgia for cypher transmission for thier account. Similarly his messages will be coded and sent through you.

Do you concur.

.... 271811Z

2.

The Honorable Colonial Secretary, Stanley.

Forwarded for information.

Book or Table to be used for  
Cyphering or Coding.

Recyphering or Recoding.

Initials of Cypherer  
or Coder.

Time of Receipt in  
Cypher or Coding  
Office.

R.N.V.R.  
Date.



146/39.

201

5th May,

43.

Sir,

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

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

K. G. BRADLEY  
Colonial Secretary.

The Director,  
Postal & Telegraph Censorship,  
23-27 Brocke Street,  
Holborn,  
LONDON, E.C. 1.

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STANLEY,

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

5th May, 1943.

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 months of February, March and April, 1943.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

*J. M. Miller*

Censorship Officer.

*Director*  
The Controller,  
Postal & Telegraphic Censorship,  
STANLEY.

DECODE.

TELEGRAM.

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From MAGISTRATE. SOUTH GEORGIA.

To HON. COLONIAL SECRETARY. M.P. 146/39 Part 2.  
Secret.

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Despatched : 5th. May 19 43. Time : 19.25.  
6th. May 43. . . . .  
Received : 19 Time :

No. 43. Reference Government Notice March 25th. 1941. Grateful if  
you could inform me whether these notes have been amended.

Magistrate.

G. T. C.

Colonial Secretary's Office,  
Stanley, Falkland Islands,  
13th May, 1943.

His Excellency the Governor directs the publication, for general information, of the following conditions under which letters may be sent to relatives or friends in Enemy Countries or Enemy-occupied Territory.

Government Notice, No. 37 of the 25th of March, 1941, is hereby cancelled.

By Command,

*Kenneth Bradley*  
Colonial Secretary.

M.P. 146/39.

The territories included in these arrangements are: Belgium, Bulgaria, Czechoslovakia, Danzig, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, Germany, Greece (Mainland), Greek Islands and Crete, Holland, Hungary, Italy and Italian Possessions, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Norway, Poland, Roumania and Yugoslavia.

1. Communications must be clearly written or typed on plain, unwatermarked stationery, and should not exceed two sides of a normal-sized sheet of notepaper. Only one letter may be placed in each envelope. Erasures, corrections, mutilated stationery or 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. They must refer only to matters of personal interest and must NOT refer to matters relating to money, business or other property, wherever situated. (See paragraph 6).

(a) No reference may be made to any town (other than Lisbon), village, locality, ship, journey, Censorship, Service matters, results of enemy action or 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 are permitted.

(b) Mention of a letter or postcard received from, or written to enemy or enemy-occupied territory is not permitted. It is suggested that the word "news" or "message" be used instead but the date of such message must not be given.

3. Each letter must be placed in an open unstamped envelope (without watermark, brand mark, or maker's name) fully inscribed to the addressee, who should be asked to address any reply to your full name, care of Post Box 506, LISBON, Portugal. Poste Restante addresses are not accepted. The use of titles or Naval, Military or Air Force rank is forbidden. The Lisbon Post Box must not be mentioned on the envelope.

4. The open envelope containing the letter should be placed in an outer stamped 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 2/- (stamps or International Coupons cannot be accepted), which fee will cover the postage of envelope containing one communication to the neutral country.

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. 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.

7. Communications for Prisoners of War, i.e., British and Allied Naval, Military, and Air Force prisoners and Civilian internees, cannot be sent under the foregoing arrangements. They should be posted in accordance with regulations of which particulars may be obtained at any Post Office.

Parcels cannot be dealt with under the foregoing scheme.

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DECODE.

TELEGRAM.

From HON. COLONIAL SECRETARY.

To MAGISTRATE. SOUTH GEORGIA. M.P. 146/39.

Despatched : 13th. May 19 43. Time : .....

Received : 19 Time :

*Red 202*

No. 29. Your telegram No. 43. Following are additions to Government Notice referred to. Paragraph 1. Only plain unwatermarked stationery to be used, limited to both sides one sheet ordinary notepaper. Paragraph 2. Letter must not refer to money, business or property wherever situated. Only personal messages allowed. 2 (a) No reference permitted to ships, service matters or enemy action. No enclosures permitted. 2 (b) Mention or correspondence from or to enemy or enemy occupied territory forbidden, use instead words " message " or " news " but date of such correspondence must not be given. (2 (b) excludes reference to Red Cross messages as such). Paragraph 3. Open envelope must have no watermark, brand or makers name. Lisbon post box must not be mentioned on envelope. Paragraph 6. Business letters and directions about property or money matters must not be sent to Thomas Cook.

Colonial Secretary.

Cypher Office.

*13/5/43*

DECODE.

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No. 362.

TELEGRAM.

From SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES.

To HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.

M.P. 106/30.  
Part II. Secret.

Despatched : 29th. May 1943. Time : 11.15.  
Received : 31st. May 1943. Time : .....

Circular Unnumbered (2) Secret. May 29th.

Please transmit the following from Blanketing to Chesor begins.

Paragraph 1. It has been decided whenever possible that censorship of Mails from crews of merchant ships employed on Government non-commercial service should be done locally at the ports overseas.

2. To ensure security and free postage facilities the following procedure is necessary :- <sup>All</sup> ~~This year~~ letters enclosed in sealed bags addressed to the G.P.O. London will be handed ~~to~~ by the Master to the Naval Authorities who have been instructed to send the bags unopened to the most convenient British Censorship station (b) letters to addresses in the United Kingdom and Eire do not repeat not require postage stamps. Such mails should be Censored and returned to the bags which should be resealed and labelled " Censored Mail for Transmission ". Bags should then be sent to the local Post Office for transmission to the G.P.O. London (c) letters for all other addresses which do require postage stamps can after censorship be sent through the Post Office for local delivery or transmission with other Terminal Mails (d) you should arrange with the Local Postal Authorities for Neutral cancelling stamp to be used for letters under (c) otherwise locality of ship will be disclosed.

3. Letters under (b) may be sent to London uncensored if the local staff unable cope with them. Bags should then be marked " Uncensored Merchant Navy Mail " Ends.

Secretary of State.

C.O. Code.

2137

STANLEY,  
10th June, 1943.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

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 May, 1943.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

*J. Hamilton*  
Colonial Secretary.

*Chief Censor.*

The Director,  
Postal & Telegraphic Censorship,  
STANLEY.



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SAVING.

From the Secretary of State for the Colonies.

To the Officer Administering the Government of  
**FALKLAND ISLANDS**  
Circular Telegram Saving.

20th February, 1943.

My circular despatch of 19th July, 1941.

Red Cross Postal Message Scheme has been extended to Japan, and to Korea, Hong Kong and occupied China, Formosa, Shanghai, Thailand and French Indo-China.

Shipping Office,  
Stanley.  
16th July, 1943.

CONFIDENTIAL.

Sir,

The following is an excerpt from a confidential circular received from the Ministry of Economic Warfare:-

"2. Various cases having come to light in which unauthorised correspondence has been improperly included in Ships' Boxes, it has become necessary to define what documents may properly be carried in a Ship's Box or Bag. They are:-

(a) The Certificate of Registry, Load Line Certificate, Passenger Certificate (if passengers are carried), and Chain and Anchor Certificates.

(b) Panama Canal and Suez Canal Certificates where appropriate.

(c) Clearance documents, Bills of Health, etc., and certificates regarding fumigation.

(d) The Crew lists (as approved by H.M. Consular Officer) and agreements.

(e) The Master's sailing instructions.

(f) The Shipowners' or Charterers' letters to their offices or agents abroad, or, conversely, from those offices or agents to the shipowners, or charterers, relating to the current voyage of the ship, its cargo, or matters concerning the current administration of their business.

(g) The Ship's copy of Bills of Lading, Cargo manifests, Stowage plans, Passenger manifests (as approved by H.M. Consular Officer, if passengers are carried), Baggage manifests and Mail waybills.

(h) Consular letters containing legalised manifests for particular ports.

(i) Consignees' mail, i.e., signed Bills of Lading, Consular invoices or documents relating to cargo actually on board of the vessel, which the shippers desire to send by the Ship's Box in order that they may be assured of their arriving at the port of destination along with the goods.

(j) Navicerts, Export Licences, Certificates of origin and interest, or Export passes, issued in respect of particular items of the cargo, or other documents issued by one of H.M. Consular Officers in respect of the voyage.

(k) One set of the Master's undertaking, with the attached documents, as referred to in paragraph 2 of the Memorandum on Ship Navicerts.

3. No correspondence or letters other than those shewn in the above list may be carried in the Ship's Box, or be treated otherwise than as ordinary mail for transmission by post.

4. With regard to the letters and documents referred to under the heads (f) and (i) in the above list, special care is necessary, and the following rules should be observed:-

(1) All correspondence, letters or packets coming under the heads (f) and (i) should be submitted to H.M. Consul (or the appropriate British authority) at the port of origin for his inspection. If satisfied that they relate solely to the ship and its cargo, or the current administration of the Company's business, and are not otherwise open to objection, the Consul (or British authority) should enclose them in a large envelope (or envelopes), conspicuously marked "SHIP'S BOX MAIL" and seal it with his official seal.

No remittance should be allowed to go with the Consignees' mail (i), nor should any correspondence other than that relating to the cargo on board be permitted therein.

(2) If the vessel is calling at a port containing a British Censorship Station, the sealed envelope (or envelopes) containing these documents should be addressed to the Chief Censor at that Station, and the Master directed to hand it to the Port Authorities immediately on arrival there. The Censorship authorities should in this event take steps to ensure that the approved documents are restored to the Master before the ship sails, in order that they may be available at the port of destination for clearance of the cargo.

If, however, the port is also a Contraband Control Base, the sealed envelope (or envelopes) should be addressed to the Contraband Control Officer, who will pass it on to the Chief Censor, and will himself ensure that the approved documents are returned to the master.

(3) If, on the other hand, the vessel is not required to call at either a British Censorship Station or a Contraband Control Base, the sealed envelope (or envelopes) containing the documents should be addressed to the British Consul (or Consuls) at the port (or ports) of destination, who will release documents appropriately carried in the Ship's Box to the persons to whom they are addressed."

The "appropriate British Authority" mentioned in para 4 (1) is, for this Colony, the Chief Censor.

I am,  
Sir,  
Your obedient servant,

Shipping Master.

The Manager,  
The Falkland Islands Co. Ltd.,  
STANLEY.

DECODE.TELEGRAM.No. 242.

*From* SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES.  
 HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.  
*To* \_\_\_\_\_

*Despatched* : 29th July 1943. Time : 15.05.  
*Received* : 30th July 1943. Time : .....

No. 65. SECRET. South African Censorship Authorities state for political reasons they are obliged to release certain Afrikaans newspapers addressed to any British country, although such newspapers may contain political articles detrimental to the Allied War effort. In the event of any of the South African newspapers below reaching a Colony, they would appreciate co-operation with a view to assuring that they are not permitted to leave British Countries :- Die Transvaller, Die Burger, Die Volkslard, Die X Vaderland, Die Oosterlig, Die O B, Die Anti Kommunis, Die Ware Republike  
 Action on the above lines has already been taken in the United Kingdom.

C.O. Out Table No. 2

Secretary of State.

Copy to Chief Censor.

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Office of  
The Naval Officer-in-Charge,  
Falklands.

13th August, 1943.



Ref. U 7.

The Honorable Colonial Secretary,  
Stanley.

CENSORSHIP

The attached letter with one pound (£1) note was abstracted by the Customs Officer from the personal luggage of one of my ratings taking passage in S.S. FITZROY for Montevideo.

I have dealt severely with the writer from the Naval side (i.e. evasion of censorship, etc.) but omitted any charge concerning this, as I feel that it is more the concern of the Civil Authorities. The man's excuse was that he was not aware of the local ordinance, this may or may not be true as I have not issued any instructions on this matter, but I feel sure it is generally known. I am issuing a warning on this point.

*R B Mark*

Commander, R.N.  
(Naval Officer-in-Charge)

No. 146/39.

MINUTE.

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

14th August, 19 43. 229

From The Colonial Secretary,

To The Naval Officer-in-Charge,

STANLEY.

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

*Red 228*

Thank you for your minute U.7 of the 13th August and for the action taken in the case. In view of the fact that the rating has been severely dealt with by you for evasion of censorship I do not propose to institute a civil prosecution for breach of the Finance Regulations and think the enclosed currency note might be returned to him and the letter, unless you require this for your records.

2. I am glad you are issuing a warning in this connection and enclose for your information a copy of the relevant regulations.

K. G. BRADLEY  
Financial Secretary.