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GROUP STAMPS

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SUB-GROUP COLONY

VOL I

SUBJECT PROGRAMME

ARCHIVE

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1.
DCS -

Please note new file. CMR 15/10/75

2.
Registry

What does 1 mean?

DM 17/10

DCS -

3.

It means 'please note this file in your file index'

CMR
20/10

4.

CS

(5) PM has put up the Stamp Programme. He suggests we discuss at the next meeting.

2. I've asked the Information Officer to ask for suggestions for stamp issues in Jordan's news. We might get a few more. I'll ask Mrs Malcolm - she's a keen collector.

DM 27/10

5.

DCS.
- Th. you. Any advice?

6. 5/29/10

Not at moment; but ill see stamp meetings
DM

BU 12/11/75

CS

7.

We have a few suggestions for stamp issues. Perhaps towards the

end of next week?

DM 12/11

8

DCS

1530 Friday 21st.

DM 18/11

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Mr Linton } informed. DM
" Rowlands } 19/11

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CS

It may well be wise to clear with FCO the stamp programme for the Colony so we can press on. Draft A/C

DM 21/1/76

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DCS
10 Good. Yes pl.

DM 26/11

12

YE 29/3

Ref (18)

I hope FCO realise that the Crown Agents' Philatelic Bureau are our Agents only and it is Government who plans and controls issues.

2. Airport Issue. We know the need for flexibility, but are pressing on with this difficult issue. We had a meeting yesterday afternoon with a Miss Lavarack who is an artist capable of taking designs to the finished artwork stage. We are working on the assumption that the airport could be officially opened late this year or early next.

13

DM 27/3

ACS yes a gentle reminder on "X" above
may be kindly
On "Y" mark turns on the Shackleton Report
A/C

"X"

"Y"

and its implementation. We
shall read widely on the
Project issue. The Report is
now expected about the second week
of April, and must then be
studied in depth by both H.M.G.
and F.I.G.

[Signature]
29/3

14

Noted *[Signature]* 29/3

Ag DES

To see above pl

[Signature] 29/3

15

Req.

References should be made on
(19) & (20).

[Signature] 9/4

16

Mr Booth

Pl ask PM to see me on
Monday 12th about (19).

Noted =
Message Rele
with Chief Clerk

[Signature]
12/4

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23. 6. 77.

Bu ~~2/6/77~~ to KIV (Review if necessary the programme; expand it also I suppose)

Bu ~~23.5.77~~
(56)

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c/s.

(74) Responsibility for postage stamp policy in dependent territories and for the approval of individual issues and designs rests with HMG.

- 2. I would like to think that the FCO's rejection of one of the stamps without referring to us was for the sake of speed.

Postmaster and I have discussed basically along the lines in his memo at fo. (76). A stamp featuring the terminal building was considered long ago but the Design Committee had other ideas.

- 3. In the meantime I sent (75)

- 4. The important items are:

Combine Flying Boats and Airport. I am against this as the issues are in my opinion entirely discrete.

Definitive Booklet. I think April is too near the release date of the definitive which is 25 January. FM is correct in settling for October 1978 unless Crown Agents can come up with a very good reason why a booklet should be closely tied to the release date of the parent issue.

DMR 15/12

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MS
W. reply on lines suggested

16 XII

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Noted:
Thank you
W. 1/11

MS
(80) We cannot accuse the Crown Agents of not trying! We cannot get involved in this.

DMR 8/2

KIV action needed on 65 *DMR 6/2*

Stamp Programme File 26

Linblad Explorer
stamp

World Discoverer

West Point 100 years
of occupation.

Tennison issue. High value stamp.

Above from Roddy Napier
as a suggestion for a
stamp issue.

DEH
11/5/78

Registry ³⁰ _{9M 12/5/78}

Further action required

(i) (94) shd be on Conservation
issue file

(ii) (96) extracts to be made
to subject files

31

DM
19/5/78

Registry

(96) para 2. When I had the
SG Definitive Stamp file the
other day the piece about the
Bird Issue for SG had not
been extracted. Pl see that
it gets on to the SG file.

32

DM
8/6

BM 2/7/78 (98)

Kiv Change Stamp Programme for 1979 and
1980 ie Postpone Maps & Charts to
1980 and delete Christmas issue

DM
14/6

PUBLIC NOTICE

Stamp Issues.

Government's stamp-issuing policy, which has to be planned years in advance, is now being considered for 1977 onwards.

2. Subjects normally chosen for issues are those commemorating some event connected with the Falklands, or depicting some aspect of life in these Islands.

3. In order that our stamp issues are as interesting as possible, it is essential that a wide selection of subjects is available from which to choose from. If members of the public have any ideas for stamp issues would they please submit them to the Secretariat before the 15th October.

4. One issue at present under consideration will feature the early history and settlements of the Falklands. If anyone has suggestions for this, or is willing to be considered for membership of a Design Committee, would they please submit their suggestions or names to the Secretariat as soon as possible.

5. Do not forget that you have until the 24th September to forward your ideas for the Airport issue, supported, if possible, by illustrations.

Secretariat
Stanley

16th September 1975

Ref: P&T/1/5

Cfej

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SAVING TELEGRAM

BY BAG

FROM F C O

(YFF 8/492/1)

UNCLASSIFIED

TO PORT STANLEY TELNO 3 SAVING OF 26 FEBRUARY 1975

Your Saving telno 30: Revised Stamp Programme.

The Stamp Programme up to 1977 as proposed is approved in principle. Crown Agents informed

Callaghan

F I L E S
COD
WIAD
L A M D

COPIES TO: 'H' DEPT
CROWN AGENTS
ST NICHOLAS HOUSE
SUTTON
SURREY

7/1/5
COPY

F.I. REF: P&T/7/1

SAVING TELEGRAM

From: The Officer Administering the Government of the
Falkland Islands.

To: The Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth
Affairs

Date: 20th January 1975

No. 9 SAVING COLONY

My saving telegram 30 of 14th June 1973 and your Saving
Telegram No 13 of 19th July 1973.

The following revised stamp programme up to 1977 is sub-
mitted for approval. Most of the earlier issues have
been approved but as the release dates in some cases have
been revised, it is considered advisable to submit an
up-to-date programme.

A. FALKLAND ISLANDS

1975 Coinage Issue Short set
Wool Industry Issue Short set
Heraldic Issue Short set

1976 Opening of permanent aerodrome Short set
New Definitive Issue (Ships)
Conservation Theme Short set

1977 Silver Jubilee Short set
Telecommunications Short set

B. SOUTH GEORGIA

1975 Cook Bicentenary Short set
1976 50th Anniversary of Initiation of Discovery
Committee Investigations Short set

1977 New Definitive
Silver Jubilee Short set

C. BRITISH ANTARCTIC TERRITORY

1975 Treaty on Conservation of Antarctic Seals; or
1976 First Anniversary of Treaty on Conservation
of Antarctic Seals Short set

1975 Gondwanaland Short set — *Definitive*

1977 Silver Jubilee Short set

GOVERNOR

PUBLIC NOTICE
STAMP DESIGNS

(2) (3)

In September an appeal was broadcast to the Public for ideas for subjects for new stamp issues depicting some aspect of life in the Islands, or some event connected with the Falklands early history and settlement, So far only one proposal has been received but it is hoped that more people will come forward with suggestions as it is important that our stamps should depict scenes or events relating to the Falklands and you know better than Government what these are.

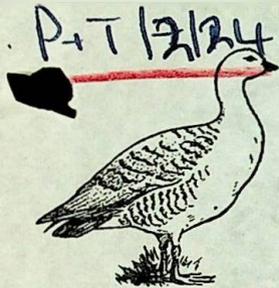
Remember, if you have any ideas for stamp designs or are willing to be a member of a design committee, please submit your suggestions or names to the Secretariat as soon as possible. There is no need to make artistic drawings or elaborate designs. A mere outline will do.

Information Office,
Stanley.

10th October, 1975.

Ref.P & T/2/24.

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Hpland Goose Hotel

Stanley - Falkland Islands

Telephone No. 236



The Chief Secretary,
Secretariat,
Stanley.

11th October 1975.

Stamp Design Committee.

Dear Sir,

The following suggestions might be of interest to the Stamp Design Committee as short issues.

1. ✓ Governor Issue. This could consist of the first four Governors, Moody, Rennie, MacKenzie & Robinson I understand Governor Robinson completed his service in the Colony in 1870, this therefore would make the issue of historical interest.
2. ✓ Ancient Buildings & Monuments. Government House, The Falkland Islands Co Office building, Pioneer Row, Christ Church Cathedral, & the Whale Bone Arch.
3. Sports Issue, Football, Badmington, Squash, Shooting, Fishing, Horse Racing.

Yours sincerely,

D G B King.



PL file on ^{new stamp} programme file
DSM

Any other business

P+T/1/1

It was agreed that Government should seek suggestions from the public for ideas and designs for future issues of postage stamps.

PL file but not P+T/1/1. We issued a P.N
calling for ideas.
DSM 29/9

This is surely a Policy extract.
P+T/1/1 is the only similar file.
Should we not have a Policy file

Telegrams Crown Sutton
Telephone 01-643 3311
Telex 267103

Copy on
Extract on P-7/2/23

CROWN AGENTS

FOR OVERSEA GOVERNMENTS AND ADMINISTRATIONS
H Division

ST. NICHOLAS HOUSE

SUTTON

SURREY

Our ref H1/1618P

Your ref 0283/T

Date 11 August 1975

Mr A J P Monk
Chief Secretary
The Secretariat
Stanley
FALKLAND ISLANDS
South Atlantic



Dear Mr Monk

FALKLAND ISLANDS STAMP PROGRAMME

TRACED
P-7/2/75
You will recall that in addition to the definitive issue planned for next year it is proposed that there should be two commemorative issues. The first of these will be an issue commemorating the opening of the permanent aerodrome and the second will be based on the theme of conservation.

2
As pointed out from time to time it is essential to start work on all stamp issues as far in advance as possible in order to prevent delays in delivery owing to unforeseen difficulties during later stages of production.

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action
11/4/75
As regards the opening of the aerodrome issue, we are still awaiting a reply to our letter of the 30 May, in which we outlined a number of design suggestions for your approval. Another suggestion which you could consider would be the possibility of a completely abstract approach, leaving the actual design content to the artist's imagination. I should be grateful if you would advise whether you prefer the pictorial or the abstract approach and confirm that we are to commission an artist immediately to prepare rough designs for your further consideration.

action
12/26
Turning now to the conservation issue, we understand that this should feature the nature reserves of the Falklands and we are therefore relying on you to provide photographic reference material in order that we can produce some rough designs. If the nature reserves themselves are not especially photogenic, then an alternative would be to depict certain of the animals which are being protected, or which are being threatened and this theme could be expanded to include wild flowers, fishes, insects etc. If you decide on the latter course of action it should be possible to tap the various sources of information in the U.K., but we require your instructions before proceeding with this issue.

5
The drawings prepared by John Smith for use in the production of a new definitive for the Falkland Islands has been safely received and I can re-confirm that there will be no difficulty in adapting these to finished stamp designs. There is one point, however, which must be cleared up before any further work is undertaken and that is the question of the printing process. In your letter of the

/30 June

To Mr A J P Monk

Date 11 August 1975

30 June, you mentioned that consideration is to be given to the possibility of having the issue printed by the recess method, but this does pose obvious problems.

6 In the first place the number of security printers able to cope with this sort of work is extremely limited and of the three such printers in the U.K., one is fully committed to other work (currency notes), one of the others, also a currency note printer, would not even be able to start doing the engravings until December this year and the third printer has also indicated that the preparation of the engraved printing plates would take a very long time. What you have to bear in mind is that this particular method of printing is no longer popular for postage stamps because of the extremely high cost - perhaps six times the cost of litho printing - which has resulted in those printers who used traditionally to do this sort of work in concentrating on other forms of security printing such as currency notes and treasury bills etc.

7 Something you may care to consider is a process recently introduced by Harrisons (certain printers in Continental Europe can also offer the same process) ^{with} is a combination of either recess and lithography or recess and photogravure. As each recess plate costs in the region of £700, it would cost you in the region of £11,200 just for one recess plate for each of 16 values. To this figure would need to be added actual printing costs, plus the cost of paper etc. and that is just for the one colour. If additional lithographic or photogravure printings were required a further outlay of something like £225 per photogravure printing plate or £85 per lithographic plate would be necessary, although some savings could be made by the use of common plates.

8 If you are still interested in the use of the recess printing process - and indications are that an issue produced by this process would be warmly welcomed by philatelists, then we should be most happy to seek tenders or printing estimates on your behalf. Should the offers received not be acceptable then we could still have the artwork adapted for reproduction by one of the more common processes.

9 Should the latter stage be reached, we assume that you would not require the descriptive text shown by the artist on the artwork to appear on the front of the stamp as it will be discernable only by the use of a microscope after reproduction to stamp size. As an alternative, it would be possible to reproduce this text on the reverse side of the stamp, i.e. on the gum, and although this is unusual for a definitive stamp there is no technical reason why it should not be done.

/Whilst

To..... Mr A J P Monk

Date 11 August 1975

EXTRACTED
TO
P/T/2/23

10. Whist writing we would like to briefly mention the 1977 programme which will consist of two issues - the first commemorating the 25 anniversary of the accession to the throne of Her Majesty the Queen, and the second, which is likely to be a special issue on the subject of telecommunications, commemorating both the 10th anniversary of the telephone link and the 60th anniversary of the opening of Fox Bay radio station. Both are subjects where reference material from local sources would be welcomed and as there is no reason why we should not commence preparation of designs even at this early stage, I should be grateful if you would send us whatever material you have available in the near future.

Yours faithfully

M Vaughan
for the Crown Agents

EXTRACTED
TO B/T/2/26

P.S. Last minute thoughts about your conservation issue prompts one further suggestion which is that you could produce a "shock" issue, showing the effect of man's failure to take conservation seriously. You might for example show an oil covered penguin or seagull, a poisoned fish in its final throes, a charred forest as a result of a carelessly discarded match, a sprawling industrial project eating into the surrounding countryside and pouring out smoke and steam, a deer or other form of wild animal life surrounded by whizzing motor-cars, motorbikes, aeroplanes flying overhead with electricity pylons marring whatever view remains. This sort of approach has been used successfully in the past for issues such as birth-control, drugs and smoking etc. and could have equal impact in the case of conservation.

P+T/15

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L.S.

Provisional Staff

Programme Renewal.

Following on last meeting
there are a couple of points
to be finalized and I suggest
the programme as a whole
be discussed at our next
meeting - I can also
prepare a cleaned copy with
a number of working notes.

J.H.

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S T A M P P R O G R A M M E

Falkland Islands

South Georgia

British Antarctic Territory

- 1975 + Heraldic Arms
- + Coinage *- 31/12/75*
- 1976 + Wool Industry
- + New Airport
- + New Definitive (Ships)
- 1977 + Silver Jubilee
- + Telecommunications
- Historical
- 1978 + Conservation (Nature reserves ?)
- First Issue of Stamps & Franks
- Christmas Issue*
- 1979 Accession to Universal Postal Union - Centenary
- Maps & Charts,*
- Keelip.*

- + Captain Cook
- + 50th Anniversary of Scientific Investigations
- + Silver Jubilee
- + New Definitive (Pictorial)
- Conservation (Whales ?)

- ? Seals*
- + Silver Jubilee
- Conservation (Seals)
- New Definitive?

1980

Approved
+ ~~Cleared~~ in principle by FCO

(6)

24th October,

75

Our Ref: P&T/1/5

D.G.B. King, Esq.,
Upland Goose Hotel,
Stanley.

Dear Sir,

Thank you for your interesting suggestions for future stamp issues of the Colony. Your suggestions will be considered at the next Stamp Committee Meeting.

Yours faithfully,

D. R. Morrison
for CHIEF SECRETARY

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A N CARTMELL

Goose Green
Falkland Islands
South-Atlantic

MY REF No.

DATE

3rd November 1975

Chief Secretary.
Stanley,



Dear sir,

With Referace your requests for Designs for Future Stamp Issues, Having a great interest in Stamps,i thought that the following may be of interst.as regards future Issues.

- 1/ Christmas Stamps, the practice of issuing these is almost World Wide. by and large they depict scenes from Well known paintings,that have to do with religeon,
- 2/ Famous People. this is almost a World wide habit.to issue stamps in this respect, we could of course use early Govonors,or Peraphs the Late Mr Barton

ena
The Wall-paper ~~Para?~~

this is a term refered to Modern Day Stamps printed on thick paper,and is very much detested by Stamp Collectors,would it not be possible to have our stamps printed on a thinner paper,such as the older stamps were, lastely i would be prepared to help you with any information i can,such as Photographs of Camp life, at the moment i have an excellent Colour Picture of Bodie Creek Suspension Bridge, peraphs this could be used in a "Landmarks" issue or something similar.

I will always be happy to help in anyway i can

Yours Sincerely

Neil Cartmell

*Ask W/C
C/S*

P+T/76



A N CARTMELL

Goose Green
Falkland Islands
South Atlantic

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MY REF No.

DATE

6th November 1975,

Chief Secretary,
Port Stanley,

Re your recent broadcast for people who would like to be on a Committee in connection with future Stamp Designs, i would only be to pleased to serve such a commttee ,if needed, i do have regular correspondence with many Stamp Collectors (of a more serious nature) from time to time they do ask me if we will be issueing stamps on such an event,I thought peraphs that this information could be useful

Some of the more popular suestions they ask are. if we will be printing

A/ Falkland Islands Air Mail Forms

B/ Stamp Booklets.

C/ Registered Envelopes(with Falkland Islands, on them.

South Georgia . Definitive Issue.

It must be time for a new issue,as this last issue was on sale 17th July 1963-69 in its Sterling value, and and to date in the Decimal Overprinted state, we have i fact had the same designs for 12 Years, the normal time for this type of issue is around 8 years,

*Acknowledged
4/4 amp*

Yours Sincerely.

Neil Cartmell

P+T/7/11

TWC/33/2

TRIGGS.



The Saddle House,
CHARTRES.

28th October, 1975.

Dear Joyce,

I'm not sure if this letter should be written to you, but perhaps you will be kind enough to pass, the following, on to the appropriate places.

First, I have a suggestion for future stamp issues; it may be too difficult to have done, but never-the-less I shall put my idea down. My idea began as a single stamps depicting eggs, in the nests, of the wild birds, then I turned to wondering if pairs of stamps could be printed, (on a sheet of the usual size) one with the above on, the other with the bird on; each stamp could be used separately or, ^{both} as a block of two. Have I made my idea clear?

My second item is a plea; tonight a message was announced from His Excellency, concerning the fire on Davis Street; but we, in the camp only knew it was on Davis St. and left wondering where, one person I know has a mother on this street, and she immediately rang me up to find out if I knew where it was, luckily, Michael did so her mind was put at rest. So, please, more detail on any event is always appreciated in the camp. Please God there are no more like that. I hope you don't mind my writing to you Joyce, all the best to everyone,

yours sincerely, Lorena.

Rec.
5/11/75

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13th November

75

Our Ref: P&T/7/1

Mrs. L. Triggs,
The Saddle House,
Chartres.

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Dear Mrs. Triggs,

Thank you for your letter of 28th October, 1975, which Mrs. Allan has passed on to me, containing suggestions for future stamp issues. We shall be considering these at a Stamp Co-ordinating Committee fairly shortly and I will ask Mr. Morrison to keep you informed of progress.

Thank you for drawing our attention to the need to be more specific about happenings in Stanley. It must, of course, have caused a number of people to wonder where the fire actually took place and I can only hope that the omission caused no great distress to anyone.

Yours sincerely,

A.J.P. Monk
CHIEF SECRETARY

Our Ref: P&T/7/1

13th November,

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A. N. Cartmell, Esq.,
Goose Green,
Falkland Islands.

Dear Mr. Cartmell,

Thank you for your letters dated 3rd and 6th November containing suggestions for future stamp issues. We shall be considering these at a Stamp Co-ordinating Committee fairly shortly and I will ask Mr. Morrison to keep you informed of progress.

Yours sincerely,

A.J.P. Monk
CHIEF SECRETARY

P+T/1/15

San Carlos,
East Falkland Island.

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25th November 1975

The Colonial Postmaster,
G.P.O.
Stanley, F.I.



Dear Sir,

With reference the recent Post Office Notice concerning Stamp designs to depict early History and Settlements of our Colony.

I have no Photographs available suitable for this but I would like to make the following suggestion. The early development of our Colony was entirely dependent on two forms of transport: one, the ships, have or will be adequately depicted soon, the other has never had the recognition it ought: I refer to the Horse. Without the Horse and the Horseman this Colony would never have been developed, infact our main Industry is still very dependent on the Horse.

I suggest therefore that the invaluable part played by the Horse in our development be recognised by them being suitably depicted on at least 2 denominations of this issue.

Yours faithfully,

(A.B. Monk)

C.C. Ch. Secretary.
N. Watson.



Member Legislative Council
East Falklands

Ack'd 25th 14/12

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Stanley
Falkland Islands.

21st November 75.

D.Morrison Esq
Deputy Chief Secretary
Secretariat
Stanley.

Stamp Designs.

Dear Danz.

I am sorry to inform you that the rough drawings with proposal designs for a set of four stamps depicting our true marine mammals can not be found. However, in order that you can consider the idea the following is a brief summary of the scheme.

Set of four stamps depicting these true marine mammals found in Falkland waters ie Poipoises and Dolphins.

The four species which would be shown would be : Commersons Dolphin. Peal's Poipoise, Fitzroys Dolphin, and Killer whale, (the later is infact a true Dolphin and not a whale).

The set would be designed in such a way as to form a commposite design, ie the four stamps when placed together could be viewed as one picture.

The second design I had proposed was one depicting our main breeding species of penguins, which may or may not be produced as a conservation issue in keeping with South Georgia.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Ian J. Strange".

Ian J.Strange.

*Mr Strange has
You have an idea for old maps
of the Falklands to be featured
on stamp*

Letter from Mrs Lorena Triggs from Chartres dated 28th October 1975

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I have a suggestion for future stamp issues. It may be too difficult to have done, but nevertheless I shall put my idea down. My idea began as a single stamps depicting eggs, in the nests, of the wild birds, then I turned to wondering if pairs of stamps could be printed, (on a sheet of the usual size) one with the above on, the other with the bird on; each stamp could be used separately or both as a block of two. Have I made my idea clear?

Eggs/Nests
Governors
Christmas

Early Medical Service
Trade Union
L.T

Walls
Ancient Buildings
Maps & Charts
Stamps Sports

Letter from A N Cartmell from Goose Green dated 6th November 1975

Re your recent broadcast for people who would like to be on a Committee in connection with future Stamp Designs, I would be only too pleased to serve such a Committee, if needed, I do have regular correspondence with many Stamp Collectors (of a more serious nature) from time to time they do ask me if we will be issuing stamps on such an event. I thought perhaps that this information would be useful -

- a) Falkland Islands Air Mail Forms
- b) Stamp Booklets
- c) Registered Envelopes (with Falkland Islands on them)

South Georgia - Definitive Issue

It must be time for a new issue as this last issue was on sale from 17th July 1963-1969 in its Sterling value, and to date in the Decimal Overprinted state. We have in fact had the same designs for 12 years, the normal time for this type of issue is around 8 years.

Y/S
ANC

Letter from A N Cartmell from Goose Green dated 3rd November 1975

With reference to your requests for designs for future stamp issues, having a great interest in Stamps, I thought that the following may be of interest as regards future Issues.

- 1) Christmas Stamps The practice of issuing this is almost Worldwide. By and large they depict scenes from well known paintings to do with Religion.
- 2) Famous People This is almost a worldwide habit to issue stamps on this respect. We could of course use early Governors or perhaps the late Mr Barton.

The Wall-paper Era

This is a term referred to Modern Day Stamps printed on thick paper and is very much detested by Stamp Collectors. Would it not be possible to have our stamps printed on a thinner paper such as the older stamps were?

Lastly I would be prepared to help you with any information I can, such as Photographs of Camp Life. At the moment I have an excellent Colour Picture of Bodie Creek Suspension Bridge. Perhaps this could be used in a 'Landmarks' issue or something similar.

I will be happy to help in anyway I can.

Y/S
ANC

Letter from D G B King dated 11th October 1975

Dear Sir

Stamp Design Committee.

The following suggestion might be of interest to the Stamp Design Committee as short issues.

- 1) Governor Issue. This could consist of the first four Governors, Moody, Rennie, MacKenzie and Robinson. I understand Governor Robinson completed his service in the Colony in 1870, this therefore would make the issue of historical interest.
- 2) Ancient Buildings and Monuments. Government House, The Falkland Islands Company office building, Pioneer Row, Christ Church Cathedral and the Whale Bone Arch.
- 3) Sports Issue, Football, Badminton, Squash, Shooting, Fishing, Horse Racing.

Y/S
DGBK.

6. Stamp Programme

A draft stamp programme had been circulated to members. The following additions were suggested - 1978 Christmas Issue, 1979 Maps/Charts Issue.

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4. Suggestions for future issues

Various letters from the public regarding material for future issues had been circulated and it was thought the following might be useful for future stamp issues:

- 1980 (a) Eggs in nests (possibly with birds also)
- (b) Governors
- ✓ (c) Kelp
- ✓ (d) Christmas Issue
- ✓ (e) Maps/Charts
- (f) Ancient buildings
- (g) Camp Medical Services
- 1980 (h) Education (Travelling Teachers)
- 1980 (i) Mammals as suggested by Ian Strange.

Approval in principle should be obtained from FCO for the above; approval should also be obtained for other suggested issues on the stamp programme.

F.I. ref: P&T/1/5

C.O. ref:

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SAVING DESPATCH

From: The Officer Administering the Government of the Falkland Islands.

To: The Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs

Date: 28th January, 1976.

No. 6 SAVING COLONY

COLONY STAMP PROGRAMME

IA / Our Savingram No. 3 of 26th February 1975.

The following revised stamp programme for the period 1976 - 1979 is submitted for consideration. Issues marked with an asterisk have already had your approval.

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|------|---|
| 1976 | Sheep Farming* |
| | New Definitive depicting Mail Vessels* |
| | Opening of permanent aerodrome* (this might be released early in 1977). |
| 1977 | Her Majesty the Queen's Silver Jubilee issue * |
| | Telecommunications* |
| | Early settlements. |
| 1978 | 100th Anniversary of first issue of postage stamps |
| | Conservation issue* |
| | Christmas issue |
| 1979 | Accession to UPU - anniversary of centenary |
| | Maps/Charts |
| | Kelp |

This programme follows the agreed policy and should provide a useful source of revenue without any harmful effect on our high philatelic standing.

2. In addition to these issues, the undermentioned subjects have been suggested as suitable for short sets, and I should be grateful for your approval in principle so that a start can be made on collecting material and suitable release dates planned.

- i) Eggs in nests (possibly with birds)
- ii) Governors of the Falkland Islands
- iii) Ancient Buildings
- iv) Camp Medical Services
- v) Education: ~~it~~ itinerant teachers
- vi) Mammals.

GOVERNOR

Reply at 18

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SAVING TELEGRAM

BY BAG

FM FCO 121250Z

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TO PORT STANLEY TELNO 2 SAVING OF 12 MARCH

STAMP PROGRAMME

ACS
May 9 see ltr
the review MS
Pa. ?
25/3

Your Savingram No 6 of 28 January.

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- 2. This coincided with receipt of Crown Agents' draft programme which LAD requested to see before formal submission to you.
- 3. 1976 issues have been agreed as set out in your Savingram with proviso that we shall need to be flexible with date of issue of third subject.
- 4. Your suggestions have been taken into consideration in passing our comments to Crown Agents on their draft programme. Immediately these have been incorporated they will be submitting the revised programme direct to you.

CALLAGHAN

FILES
COD (IOS)
LAD

opening of Support

CROSS REFERENCE

Folio's 19820
~~FOR REPLY TO~~ correspondence from & to Dr. Heap
transferred to
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FOLIO _____

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EXTRACT FROM THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING
OF THE STAMP COMMITTEE HELD AT THE SEC-
RETARIAT ON FRIDAY, THE 2nd JULY 1976.

COLONY STAMP PROGRAMME

Approved?

- 1976 Sheep Farming ✓ Approved
- New Definitive depicting Mail Vessels ✓ Approved
- Opening of permanent aerodrome (this might be released early in 1977) ✓ Approved
- 1977 Her Majesty the Queen's Silver Jubilee issue ✓ Approved
- Telecommunications ✓ Approved
- Early Settlements
- 1978 100th Anniversary of first issue of postage stamps.
- Conservation issue ✓ Approved
- Christmas issue
- 1979 Accession to UPU - anniversary of centenary
- Maps/Charts
- Kelp

EXTRACT FROM THE MINUTES OF THE STAMP CO-ORDINATING COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD 26TH AUGUST 1976.

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- 1.11.0 Suggested issues:
- 1.11.1 i. Ancient buildings
 ii. Eggs in nests
 iii. Travelling Education
 iv. Marine mammals
- 1.11.2 CS suggested programme is publicised
and public asked to send in suggestions.
Five-year programme would thus meet
its target.

EXTRACT FROM THE MINUTES OF THE STAMP CO-ORDINATING COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD 26TH AUGUST 1976

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- 1.8.0 U P U (1979)
- 1.8.1 PM thinks we should depict methods of mail through the ages.
- 1.8.2 CS suggested that sub-committee be set up, Postmaster to chair. To report back next meeting.

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- 1.9.0 Maps and Charts
- 1.9.1 DCS mentioned that Mr I Strange had indicated some time ago that we could produce a fine stamp issue using old maps. CS suggested using old maps at Government House and that material should be collected -the sooner, the better.
- 1.9.2 Sub-committee to be formed, Postmaster to chair (DCS preferred), Hon J Smith and one other as members.

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5. PROGRAMME

5.1 Colony

Approved by FCO

1976/77

Yes

No

New Definitive x

Opening of permanent airfield
(early 77?) x

1977

Her Majesty the Queen's
Silver Jubilee Issue x

Telecommunications x

Early Settlements x

1978

100th Anniversary of First Issue
of Postage Stamps x

Conservation Issue x

Christmas Issue x

1979

Accession to UPU x

Maps/Charts x

Kelp x

5.2 South Georgia

1976

Initiation of Discovery Issue x

1977

Silver Jubilee Issue x

New Definitive Issue
(after Colony Definitive) x

5.3 British Antarctic Territory

1976/77

Whale Issue x

Seals Issue - Tentative Proposal
Penguins issue x

1977

Silver Jubilee Issue x

1979/80

New Definitive Issue x

Possible

Physics - Aquatic

*Physics - Aquatic
Coronation*

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4.2.0

Approved Programme

All Committee's minutes should conclude with a statement, prepared by the Postmaster, of the programme for the three territories for the 5 ensuing years and indicating whether approved or not by FCC.

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CROWN AGENTS
H Division
St Nicholas House
Sutton
Surrey SM1 1LL

Ref: H3/ Falkland Islands.

H E Mr N A I French CMC FVO
Governor
Government House
Port Stanley
Falkland Islands

Note: -

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P+T/1/1 - (Policy)

Your Excellency

We are not entirely surprised to read in his recently published Economic Survey of the Falkland Islands that Lord Shackleton estimates that the present level of revenue earned from your philatelic sales could be increased by as much as £50,000 per annum. As this revenue has fluctuated considerably in recent years, presumably the figure for the potential revenue is based on an average of the level of sales for the last few years.

2. We are, however, rather more surprised by the suggestion that in order to achieve this objective your Government would need to appoint a UK dealer to handle the marketing of your stamp issues in a much more individual and aggressive way. We say this because we have on occasion expressed the view to your predecessors in recent years that, without affecting your philatelic reputation, we could have increased your philatelic revenue had we been permitted to increase the number of releases and their face value. We trust this point will be borne in mind when Lord Shackleton's proposals are considered.

3. With a view to increasing revenue as quickly as possible a programme of releases for the next two years, with comments where necessary, is attached. Where anticipated sales are quoted, they include sales in the United States, based on the assumption that if it is decided that the Crown Agents shall continue to handle your philatelic sales, the existing agency arrangement will not be altered. If, hopefully, you find the programme acceptable you can be assured of a worthwhile increase in revenue without any adverse effect on your philatelic reputation.

4. Should there be any points needing clarification or further comment, please do not hesitate to write or telegraph when we will endeavour to answer at once.

Copies of this letter are being sent to Communications Branch of the F & CO to be studied in conjunction with the Shackleton report.

Yours faithfully,

R J Sims
Head of Security Printing

cc: Mr G S Tanner
Foreign and Commonwealth Office

DCS
Study in progress for meeting at SOA at 1500 Wed 1 Sept.

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CONFIDENTIAL

Proposals submitted by the Crown Agents to the Government of the Falkland Islands for a programme of stamp issues in the next two years.

1. GENERAL COMMENT

The programme that follows should be read against the background that the delays in releasing the new definitive issue and new airport issue will inevitably cause some bunching of releases during 1977 and 1978. Nonetheless, the proposals are still limited to a maximum of four commemorative issues a year.

2. THE DEFINITIVE ISSUE

There is no reason to suppose that the delay in releasing the definitive will affect philatelic sales. It is however important that when values are fixed a top denomination of £2 be included. This is now normal practice and many postal authorities, even with limited postal services, include a value somewhat in excess of £2.

3. COMMEMORATIVE ISSUES

Although it is difficult to compare one year with another because some themes are inevitably less popular than others, it is interesting to note from the Shackleton Report that in the financial year 1974/1975, when the Falkland Islands Government released three issues, revenue from philatelic sales was markedly higher than for the previous two years when either one issue (1972/73) or two issues (1973/74) were released.

This is entirely in line with our more general experience which indicates that collectors willingly support four commemorative issues a year with a total face value of £2 - £2.5.

4. PROGRAMME 1977/78

It is now too late to release another set of stamps this year to avoid the ten month gap between the Sheep Farming issue last April and the Silver Jubilee issue next February, but a programme on the following lines is entirely justified, even allowing for the additional release of the new definitive issue.

1977/...

- 1977 - February - Silver Jubilee ✓
 April - 25th Anniversary direct air link/ ?
 May - New Airport ✓
 September - Telecommunications ✓
- 1978 February - Conservation ✓
 June - Coronation/ or Centenary of Postage stamps. ?
 September - Early settlements ✓
 November - Christmas ✓

5. SILVER JUBILEE

We have already negotiated firm sales of 52,000 First Day Covers each with the full set of stamps. With these guaranteed sales and a major advertising campaign planned for the UK and Europe, we confidently expect to sell a minimum of 125,000 full sets and perhaps rather more.

6. 'FLYING' THEME

The 25th Anniversary of direct air link/New Airport. April 1978 marks the 25th Anniversary of the direct air link between the UK and Stanley. All forms of transport, and especially historical transport, are popular with thematic collectors and an issue depicting the flying boats used in this service would be both popular and attractive. If perchance the new airport is likely to be open in the Spring of next year, we would propose amalgamating the flying boat issue and the airport issue. The two aspects of this 'flying' theme could then, depending on progress with the airport, either be released as one issue of, say, six stamps with a total face value of roughly £1, or as one issue released in two parts, one immediately after the other but with the obvious continuity of theme.

7.

If a face value of £1 seems high it merits comment that an issue of six stamps with a face value slightly in excess of £1, released by Bermuda in June, sold extremely well with no adverse comment in the philatelic press or from collectors. A set of that issue is attached.

8. TELECOMMUNICATIONS

This is a rather more difficult subject to depict attractively but since approval/...

approval for the issue has been given in general terms we have commissioned a designer and await his rough artwork.

9. CONSERVATION

Insofar as the Falklands are concerned, this again is a difficult subject to depict, but if you can identify three species of animals (including of course mammals) which are classified as endangered species, and if you will approve the use of the World Wildlife 'panda' symbol, we can confidently expect to sell upwards of 60,000 sets including first day covers.

If there are no suitable animals, any migratory birds classified as endangered will be a slightly less acceptable alternative. Birds have already been depicted by other countries.

10. CORONATION/CENTENARY OF POSTAGE STAMPS

We are tentatively thinking of a single stamp as part of an omnibus issue of, say, 50p value to mark the Coronation: but it is rather early to make a firm decision and an issue to commemorate this centenary of the use of the first postage stamps in the Falklands would be an attractive alternative if it depicted old stamps on the lines of the attached examples. Either issue would sell well.

11. EARLY SETTLEMENTS

This has already been agreed and rough artwork is being prepared.

12. SOUVENIR SHEETS

These are popular with collectors provided they are limited to two a year. In general a souvenir sheet issued as part of a set can be expected to increase revenue by about 50%. Another souvenir sheet on your issues is now overdue but is probably best now left for the telecommunications issue in the latter part of next year.

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*Push sales of flower issue
conservation: ask Sam Strange.
Flying Boat issue. ? Defec. Include
in Mail issue
Increase ^{overall} ~~higher~~ value of
commemoratives*

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SAVING DESPATCH

From: The Officer Administering the Government of the Falkland Islands.

To: The Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs

Date: 8 September 1976

No. 31 SAVING COLONY

Your Saving 2 of 12 March 1976.

STAMP PROGRAMME

I should be grateful to learn the position about formal approval for the remainder of the stamp programme.

I attach a copy of the Minutes of a recent Stamp Committee meeting.

GOVERNOR

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Chief Secretary's Office
Stanley
Falkland Islands

7 October 1976

E J Sims Esq
Head of Security Printing
Crown Agents
H Division
St Nicholas House
Sutton, Surrey SM1 1EL

Dear Sir,

I refer to your letter of 16 August addressed to His Excellency the Governor, on which I have the following comments. (Where paragraph numbers are given these refer to the attachment to your letter):-

Paras 1 and 3, Commemorative Issues.

If we issue four issues a year there will be little scope for sale of the definitive and your advice on a policy which allows us to have two sets of stamps on issue permanently would be appreciated. A way round this problem may be to release two commemorative issues at one time; one for, say, a set of four stamps and one a single stamp of fairly high value. I should be grateful for your views on this proposal.

Para 2, New Colony Definitive Issue.

You will note that our values are considerably higher than previously and higher than your own recommendations. They tally however with the recommendations made by Mr Vaughan.

Para 4, Programme.

You will know from the minutes of the last meeting of the Stamp Co-ordinating Committee that we are endeavouring to extend our stamp programme to create a five-year rolling basis. This will however be flexible and we envisage that we shall need some 'floaters' to slot in at short notice if other commemoratives (tied to a particular event) have to be held up -such as the new airport issue.

Para 9, Conservation.

We believe this issue might be called 'Endangered Species'. We see no objection to the use of the WWF 'Panda'.

Para 12, Souvenir Sheets.

We are surprised that you recommend the use of 'souvenir' sheets as the recent deluge from purists and specialists has told us that these are one of the most outrageous innovations we could make. However if your view is that we can achieve a considerable increase in sales without damaging our long-term image in this way, we should not object.

2.

Existing Definitive Issue.

As this definitive issue will cease within the next few months we believe it would be useful to give some early publicity to the fact so that stocks of the existing issue can be near exhausted.

We look forward to receiving the proposals referred to in the last paragraph of the Governor's letter of 22 September.

Yours faithfully,

A J P Monk
Chief Secretary.

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2. Programme for future issues - Falkland Islands (Colony)

1976 - New Definitive Issue - it was possible that this would not be ready until early next year

1977 - The Silver Jubilee

Telecommunications

Airfield - it was considered that the 25th anniversary of the carriage of mail by the Aquilla flying boat could be ~~link~~ linked to the Airport issue.

(Early Settlements to be kept in view as a 'floater')

1978 - Centenary

Conservation

Christmas Issue

1979 - Accession to UPU

Maps and Charts

1980 - Various suggestions had been made, such as Birds Nests,

Buildings, Uniforms (of the several British Regiments which have served in the Islands), Warships and Crests, the

Aquilla Flying Boat.

The Chief Secretary thought the Committee should aim to have a programme fixed five years in advance.

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6. Future Issues

The Postmaster referred to a previous suggestion by the Crown Agents that Ice Crystals would make an attractive issue. Mr Stephenson thought this a suitable subject.

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to post office
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PUBLIC NOTICE

No. 41

Stamp Programme

Suggestions are invited from the public for subjects for stamp issues for the Colony and South Georgia.

Any persons having ideas about stamp issues are requested to submit them to the Secretariat as soon as possible.

Please broadcast 11th, 12th (Newsletter), 15th, 18th and 19th.

Nov/Dec

c.c. Postmaster

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No response

- P&T/1/1/5 1.3.0 Programme for future issues - Falkland Islands (Colony)
- P&T/2/13 1.3.1 1976 - New Definitive Issue - it was possible that this would not be ready until early next year.
- P&T/2/20 1.3.2 1977 - The Silver Jubilee
- P&T/2/23 1.3.3 Telecommunications
- P&T/2/25 1.3.4 Airfield - it was considered that the 25th anniversary of the carriage of mail by the Aquilla flying boat could be linked to the Airport issue.
- P&T/2/24 1.3.5 (Early Settlements to be kept in view as a 'floater')
- P&T/2/25 1.3.6 1978 - Centenary
- P&T/2/26 1.3.7 Conservation
- P&T/2/27 1.3.8 Christmas Issue
- P&T/2/16 1.3.9 1979 - Accession to UPU
- P&T/2/37 1.3.10 Maps and Charts
- P&T/1/5 1.3.11 1980 - Various suggestions had been made, such as Birds Nests, Buildings, Uniforms (of the several British Regiments which have served in the Islands), Warships and Crests, the Aquilla Flying Boat.

The Chief Secretary thought the Committee should aim to have a programme fixed five years in advance.

EXTRACT FROM MINUTES OF STAMP CO-ORDINATING COMMITTEE MEETING - 1st OCTOBER 1976

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1.7.0 Future Issues

1.7.1 The Postmaster referred to a previous suggestion by the Crown Agents that Ice Crystals would make an attractive issue. Mr. Stephenson thought this a suitable subject.

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TO PRIORITY FCC TELNO 763 OF 29 NOVEMBER
APPROVED COLONY STAMP PROGRAMME FOR 1977

- A. OMNIBUS JUBILEE ISSUE
- B. OPENING OF PERMANENT AIRFIELD
- C. NEW DEFINITIVE TO REPLACE 1968 DEFINITIVE
- D. TELECOMMUNICATIONS

2. PERMISSION IS SOUGHT TO RELEASE ONE STAMP (22P) TO COMMEMORATE
25TH ANNIVERSARY IN APRIL 1977 OF FIRST DIRECT (ALTHOUGH
NOT CONTINUING) OVERSEAS FLIGHT WITH MAIL. IF APPROVED
PLEASE ADVISE CROWN AGENTS.

3. I CONSIDER THIS A REASONABLE PROGRAMME AND UNLIKELY TO
GENERATE CRITICISM FROM PHILATELIC PURISTS.

FRENCH

Reply at 38

NNNN

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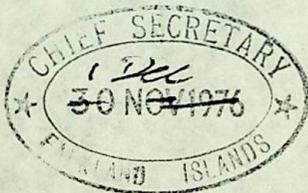
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TO PRIORITY PORT STANLEY TELNO 505 OF 1 DECEMBER
YOUR TELNO 763: 1977 STAMP PROGRAMME.

1. PROPOSALS ARE APPROVED IN PRINCIPLE AND CROWN AGENTS BEING INFORMED.

CROSLAND

NNNN

SENT AT 011346Z DW
RECD AT 011346Z GML

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Weddell Island

11th November 1976.



Dear Sir,

New Stamp Issue

I have enclosed my suggestion for a possible new stamp issue.

A stamp or stamps in tribute to Captain Ian T. Campbell, is very little the Colony could do, when one considers all he has done for these islands and their people.

Yours faithfully
Mrs Dierdre Cofre.



REDWING.

- P&T/1/5 18. PROGRAMME
- P&T/2/16 18.1.0 Accession to UPU - for release 1979.
- 18.1.1 It was suggested that the time was appropriate for a Committee to be formed.
- P&T/2/37 18.2.0 Maps & Charts - for release 1979.
- 18.2.1 This matter to be pursued with a view to a maps and charts issue.
- P&T/2/35 18.3.0 Kelp: this is being attended to.
- P&T/2/36 18.4.0 Coronation issue: Information awaited from CA.
- 18.5.0 Discussion then turned to suggested items beyond 1980.
- 18.5.1 Ancient buildings: the Committee thought this would be a difficult subject to depict as there are no really ancient buildings.

18.5.2 Mention was made of the suggestion put forward

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by Mr Druce, that an issue could depict the voyage of the "Beagle" and Darwin's visit to the Falklands. It was noted that 1983 would mark an anniversary of this voyage.

18.5.3 Wrecks: the Committee agreed that it would not be convenient to introduce an issue of this nature too close to the new definitive mail ships issue but it should be kept in mind.

18.5.4 Other suggested subjects for future issues:-

- . Warships and crests
- . Governors (Definitive?)
- . Eggs/nests (plus birds?)
- . Camp medical services
- . Education - travelling teachers
- . Mammals
- . Ice crystals
- . Shells
- . Explorers (e.g. Ross, Darwin, Fitzroy, Sullivan, Shackleton); alternatively,
- . Surveyors and their ships
- . Islands/islets (e.g. The Needles, Eddystone Rock etc)

Several of these subjects were submitted to the Postmaster in a letter from Miss Meg Laver.

- . Houses/buildings (Government House, Town Hall etc)
- . Clergymen

P&T/1/5

19. PROGRAMMEApproved by FCOColonyYesNo1977Her Majesty the Queen's Silver
Jubilee Issue

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Opening of Permanent Airfield

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Anniversary of First Direct Overseas Flight

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Telecommunications

x

New Definitive

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Reserve Issue: Early settlements

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1978100th Anniversary of First Issue of
Postage Stamps

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Coronation Issue

x

Conservation Issue

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Christmas Issue

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1979

Accession to U P U

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Maps/Charts

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Kelp

x

South Georgia1977

Silver Jubilee Issue

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1978

Coronation Issue

x

New Definitive Issue (after Colony definitive)

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Approved by FCOBritish Antarctic TerritoryYesNo1976/77

Whale issue

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Seals issue - Tentative proposal penguins issue

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1977

Silver jubilee issue

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1978

Penguin Issue

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Coronation Issue

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1979/80

New Definitive Issue

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SAVING DESPATCH

From: The Officer Administering the Government of the Falkland Islands.

To: The Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs

Date: 24th January 1977

No 3 SAVING COLONY

STAMP PROGRAMME

Ref: 38

Your telegram 505 of 1 December 1976, proposed Colony Programme is:-

1978

100th Anniversary of first issue of postage stamps

Coronation Issue

Conservation Issue (approval received)

Flying Boats

Christmas Issue

1979

Accession to UPU

Maps/Charts

Kelp.

I should be grateful for approval for the issue of the above short sets for 1978 and 1979 with an issue depicting Early Settlements as a reserve issue.

GOVERNOR

c.c. Mr. Vaughan
Crown Agents.

Reply at (51)

RECORD OF A MEETING ON 18 FEBRUARY 1977 OF THE STAMP COMMITTEE WITH
MAJOR SPAFFORD, EDITOR OF THE "UPLAND GOOSE"
PUBLISHED BY THE FALKLANDS PHILATELIC STAMP GROUP

PRESENT: Deputy Chief Secretary
Postmaster
Mr. L. J. Halliday
Mr. J. Stephenson

Major Spafford was welcomed to the Meeting and he was asked to put forward the points that he wished to discuss.

1. Statement of Stamp Policy. Major Spafford thought that we should issue fairly soon a statement about our stamp policy in view of the recommendation contained in the Shackleton Report. Major Spafford said the Study Group would give this publicity.
2. Stamp Packs. Major Spafford thought that we should consider selling stamp packs which should increase sales and thereby the revenue of the Colony. Stamp Packs could contain a brief description of the issue i.e. designer, printer and other relevant details.
3. Major Spafford thought that we should keep commemorative stamps on sale in the Philatelic Bureau for up to one year. Being questioned on this, he thought that there would be no objection in philatelic circles to the sale of commemoratives by the Bureau after they had been withdrawn from sale, following their normal life span of three months. He also suggested that the Printing Office should produce a brochure which would help to promote sales.
4. Commission charge by Philatelic Bureau. On being questioned whether the charge levied by the Bureau was considered by philatelists as a deterrent to sales, Major Spafford said that although this may not be popular, there was no objection to continuing with this arrangement. Major Spafford also thought we should speed up the service provided by the Bureau; he realised the difficulties involved but was pleased that there was a full time operator now.
5. Major Spafford thought that we should consider providing a cup for the best exhibit of Falkland Islands Stamps at the International Stamp Exhibition in America and another cup for the best exhibit in the United Kingdom. Major Spafford thought that for an outlay of £100 this would go a long way to promoting sales and giving publicity to Falkland Islands Stamps. Such a scheme was used by other countries to promote sales.
6. Colony Stand at an International Exhibition. Major Spafford thought that we should consider having our own exhibition at some time in the future. He thought that we should endeavour to do this in 1980 when there would be an exhibition in London which would be convenient for the Study Group who would be prepared to man the stand and therefore the only cost to the Falkland Islands Government would be the hire of the stand.
7. Stamp Vending Machine. Major Spafford thought that we should consider the possibility of providing a stamp vending machine in order that people could purchase stamps outside the hours of bussiness of the Post Office. He thought that we should be able to buy reasonably cheaply a coil stamp machine and thereby provide a better service and increase sales of our stamps.

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 8. Major Spafford thought that if we are still having difficulties over producing the commemorative to celebrate the Opening of the Airport that we should consider overprinting our definitive issue. He even went so far as to say that it could be overprinted locally.

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 9. New Issues. Major Spafford hoped that we would not mind the Study Group submitting ideas from time to time of subjects for stamp issues. He had in mind the celebration of the centenary of the Kosmos shipping line which carried our mail; a lighthouse issue; and the issue of Christmas stamps.

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 10. Major Spafford next spoke about recess printing of our new definitive issue: he thought that this would be very welcome to Philatelists, but when pressed, could not give any estimate of the increase sales which would result from recess printing. It is estimated that recess printing is four times as expensive as other methods, but Major Spafford did not think that collectors would buy four times as many stamps, if the issue was recess printed. He thought it would be a good idea to have the three top values recess printed.

11. While on the subject of our definitive, Major Spafford thought that we should stagger the release thereby easing the burden on the collectors pocket.

12. Sale of FDCs After the Release Date. Major Spafford saw no objection to the sale of FDCs after the stamps were withdrawn from sale, even though this meant that dealers were often undersold by the Post Office.

13. The Stamp Committee had a very interesting discussion with Major Spafford on stamp matters in general, which confirmed that although such things as souvenir sheets brought the reputation of the Stamp issuing policy of the Falklands into question, it showed that there is a very fine line between distinguishing what is acceptable in the way of "gimmicks" and what is unacceptable to philatelists. In other words while such things as souvenir sheets were unacceptable, stamp packs, philatelic postal stationery such as several types of registered envelopes, and overprinting of stamps were apparently acceptable.

14. On the subject of Souvenir sheets, Major Spafford considered these detrimental to our image and their release resulted in black marks being awarded, as philatelists looked upon souvenir sheets as a means of extorting more money from philatelists. It was pointed out to Major Spafford that of some 36 countries advertised in the Crown Agents Stamp Bureau supplement, about 14 issues had souvenir sheets released by countries of repute whose reputations were apparently not harmed by the release of souvenir sheets.

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Stanley.

10th March, 1977.

Dear Sir,

Postage Stamps

The steer-riding in Stanley recently (in which horses were used), and the Dog Trials, made me realise that two very important animals in the Colony's industry, the dog and the horse, have never been depicted, in their own right, on postage stamps. Sheep and cattle cannot be worked efficiently without these two faithful, hard-working animals.

May I, therefore, suggest that some future short issue should show:

- 1. A Sheep Dog (Welsh Collie?)
- 2. A Horse (Ungeared)
- 3. A Cow or a Steer (hides and still exported, milk and butter produced)
- 4. A Sheep (As stamps showing full-woolled sheep have already appeared, I suggest a clippie - i.e. shorn sheep - with its fleece lying in the foreground).

The set could be entitled "F.I. Industry Animals".

Yours faithfully,

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The Chief Secretary,
STANLEY.

Type 4 copies of 1 for Jim
Mr Stephenson
Mr Halliday
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sent us $\frac{22}{3}$



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Crown Agents for Oversea Governments and Administrations
ST NICHOLAS HOUSE SUTTON SURREY SM1 1EL
TELEPHONE 01-643 3311 TELEX 267103 TELEGRAMS CROWN SUTTON

Mr D R Morrison
The Secretariat
Stanley
FALKLAND ISLANDS
SOUTH ATLANTIC

Our ref H1/1618
Your ref
Date 8 March 1977

Dear Sir

STAMP PROGRAMME

(43) I acknowledge receipt of a copy of your letter dated 24 January 1977 requesting approval for your forward Colony Stamp Programme from the Secretary of State for Foreign & Commonwealth Affairs.

2 I wonder whether you have yet received the necessary approval and look forward to next hearing from you.

Yours sincerely

M VAUGHAN

IZ/JG

P&T/1/5

(48)

23rd March

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D. G. F. Hall, Esq., M.B.E.,
Latin America Department,
Foreign and Commonwealth Office,
London, SW1A 2AL.

Dear David,

(43) I attach a copy of our Savingram No. (49) 6 seeking a reply to our Saving 3 of 24 January and wonder if you could give this a fair wind.

Yours faithfully,


CHIEF SECRETARY

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F. I. ref: P&T/1/5

C.O. ref:

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SAVING DESPATCH.

From: The Officer Administering the Government of the Falkland Islands.

To: The Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs.

Date: 23rd March 1977

No. 6 SAVING. COLONY

STAMP PROGRAMME 1978 and 1979

My Saving No. ⁴³ 3 of 24 January.

I should be grateful for an early reply to enable planning to proceed.

GOVERNOR

P&T/1/5

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23rd March

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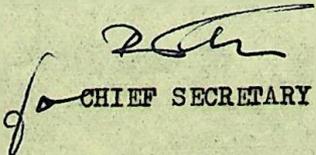
Mr. M. Vaughan,
Crown Agents,
St. Nicholas House,
Sutton,
Surrey, SM1 1EL.

Dear Sir,

STAMP PROGRAMME

I refer to your letter ⁽⁴⁷⁾H1/1618 of 8 March and have to inform you that approval has not been received yet from the FCO for the 1978, 1979 Stamp Programme. A reminder is being sent ~~out~~.

Yours faithfully, ⁽⁷⁹⁾


CHIEF SECRETARY


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(YFP 205/492/1)

SAVING TELEGRAM

BY BAG

FM FCO 180940Z

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TO PORT STANLEY TELNO 2 SAVING OF 18 MARCH



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YOUR SAVING DESPATCH NO 3:) STAMP PROGRAMME

YOUR PROPOSALS ARE APPROVED IN PRINCIPLE.

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6th April

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Crown Agents,
St. Nicholas House,
Sutton,
Surrey, SM1 1EL.

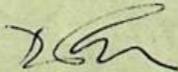
Dear Sir,

STAMP PROGRAMME

Please refer to your letter ⁽⁴⁷⁾H1/1618 of 1st March.

This is just to let you know that the FCO have approved in principle the Colony Stamp Programme 1978 and 1979.

Yours faithfully,


CHIEF SECRETARY

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19th April

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Mr. W. Hirtle,
Stanley.

Dear Sir,

(WS)

Thank you for the suggestion for a short set of stamps depicting animals.

2. Although our stamp programme is full for the next two years, your suggestion has been added to the list of likely subjects for future issues.

Yours faithfully,


for CHIEF SECRETARY

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ISSUE END AUGUST HOWEVER WE SUGGEST FOLLOWING STOP
TELECOMMUNICATIONS END JULY NEW DEFIN AUGUST/SEPTEMBER
FLYING BOATS SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER OPENING OF AIRPORT
DECEMBER
CROWN SUTTON

COL 19TH



Copy to *Tom* for comments of *Stanley*
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CABLE & WIRELESS
KEEPS YOU IN TOUCH

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Copy of Telegram for Crown Agents

25th April, 1977

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CHIEFSEC
PORTSTANLEY

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ISSUE END AUGUST HOWEVER WE SUGGEST FOLLOWING STOP
TELECOMMUNICATIONS END JULY NEW DEFIN AUGUST/SEPTEMBER
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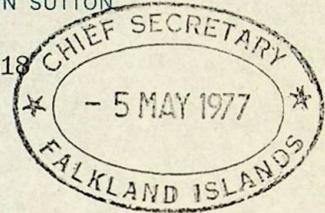
The Chief Secretary
Stanley
FALKLAND ISLANDS

Our ref H1/1618

Your ref

Date

26 April 1977



Dear Sirs

COLONY STAMP PROGRAMME

You will by now have received my cable of 22 April as follows :-

"YRTEL 19TH EARLIEST RELEASE DATE FLYING BOAT ISSUE END AUGUST
HOWEVER WE SUGGEST FOLLOWING STOP
TELECOMMUNICATIONS END JULY NEW DEFIN AUGUST/SEPTEMBER FLYING
BOATS SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER OPENING OF AIRPORT DECEMBER."

2 If we are to keep to this schedule, it will be necessary for us to approve the Telecommunications finished artwork on your behalf. Rest assured however that we have a clear understanding of your desire to employ pastel shades and have instructed the artist accordingly.

3 It will probably be possible in the time allowed to submit the two "Flying Boats" stamp designs for your approval but you must ensure their prompt return if we are to keep to the programme outlined above.

4 The "Opening of the Airport" designs are nearing completion and will be forwarded for your opinion within the next two weeks.

5 As requested in your cable of 19 April we have requested our artist to prepare alternative rough stamp designs to make up the fourth stamp for the "Early Settlements" issue which is currently being held in reserve. These shall be submitted to you in due course.

6 I hope you will find our suggestions acceptable and look forward to your early reply.

Yours sincerely

M VAUGHAN

IZ/JG

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2.0 PROPOSED ISSUES

2.1 FCO had approved the Colony 1978/79 programme.

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PROGRAMMEAPPROVED BY FCOCOLONYYESNO1977

Her Majesty the Queen's Silver Jubilee Issue

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Opening of Permanent Airfield

x

Anniversary of First Direct Overseas Flight

x

Telecommunications

x

New Definitive

x

Reserve Issue: Early Settlements

x

1978

100th Anniversary of First Issue of Postage Stamps

x

Coronation Issue

x

Conservation Issue

x

Christmas Issue

x

1979

Accession to UPU

x

Maps/Charts

x

Kelp

x

P&V/15

4. ADDITIONAL SUBJECTS

4.1 Committees would be set up to discuss these.

PT/1/5 4.2

Mrs Cofrés' suggestion of a tribute to Captain Campbell was not thought appropriate at this stage and should be left to be considered in a year or so. It was pointed out that the only Englishman to have a 'tribute' stamp issue was Sir Winston Churchill, knowledge of whom was worldwide.

LIST OF SUGGESTED SUBJECTS FOR FUTURE ISSUES

Eggs in nests (possibly showing birds also)

Governors

Ancient buildings

Camp medical service

Education (Travelling teachers)

Charles Darwin and the Beagle (1983 is anniversary of visit to FI)

Fossils of the Falkland Islands

Uniforms (of British Regiments which have served in Falklands)

Warships and crests

Working Animals (horses, dogs, cows, sheep)

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Mr W Hirtle's suggestion for an issue depicting horses, cows, sheep and dogs was considered and it was decided to add it to the list of subjects.

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It was suggested, and agreed, that the list of subjects should be included in every set of minutes.

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2. FIC Issue

part 1/5

2.1

Note was taken of the availability of designs for a FIC issue but there was no provision in the programme for this at present.

10. International Year of the Child

part 1/6

10.1

It was decided to write to the Crown Agents for their comments.

Ref: P&T/1/5

27 September 1977 77

Mr J Stephenson

Mr L Halliday

Postmaster

STAMP COMMITTEE PROGRAMME

I attach some ideas for fitting the subjects we have to the years from 1980. This is merely to start you thinking about the future programme and it is by no means inflexible: in other words, it is a thought provoker.

2. Please bear in mind that Early Settlements, and Conservation are subjects we have agreed on in Committee.

3. Please give this thought so we may deal with it at the next meeting.

D R Morrison
Deputy Chief Secretary

- 1980: Medical Services (tie in hydatidosis)
 Warships and Crests
 Birds which haven't been depicted previously and/or
Birds and Nests
- 1981 Working animals of the Falklands (horses, dogs, cows, sheep)
 Uniforms of British Regiments that have served in the Falklands
- 1982 Education
? Explorers (overdone?)
- 1983 150th Anniversary of Founding of the Colony. & Governors
A new Definitive?
 Charles Darwin and voyage of Beagle Anniversary

Jan Strange has
ideas about fishes, birds of prey and was going to
let me have a list

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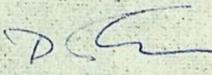
Mr. M. Vaughan,
Crown Agents Stamp Bureau,
St. Nicholas House,
Sutton,
Surrey, SM1 1EL.

Dear Mike,

I attach a copy of a UPU circular No. 58 and pamphlet about the International Year of the Child 1979 about an issue of stamps to mark the International Year.

2. It has been suggested that this might prove a suitable subject for a stamp issue and we should welcome your views on the matter when you have a moment to spare!

Yours faithfully,


for CHIEF SECRETARY

Reply at (65)

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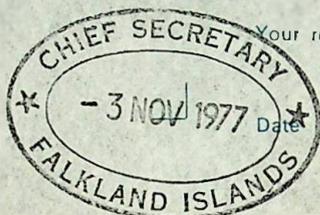
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DCS
 This had better be
 put to Committee, I suppose.
 What do you think about
 it. Frankly, I'm not
 keen
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Mr D Morrison
 The Secretariat
 Stanley
 Falkland Islands
 SOUTH ATLANTIC

Our ref H1



Your ref P & T/1/5

20 October 1977

Déar Doug

YEAR OF THE CHILD

Many thanks for your letter of 23 September (received 6 October).
 Your final sentence challenges me to reply promptly - never
 could resist a challenge!

(TYPING DELAY!)

2 We are aware of the UPU's designation of 1979 as International
 Year of the Child and are considering how the theme can be
 successfully developed.

3 I am a bit of a softy when it comes to children (I have two
 of my own) and I find the idea instantly appealing. Some of
 my colleagues, however, being either more mercenary on your
 behalf or, more charitably, being more practically aware of the
 need to generate revenue for you, have reservations because of
 uncertainty about the general appeal of such stamps.

4 Personally, I think that because the issue will have UPU
 backing there will be sufficient interest generated to ensure
 that there will be considerable demand for such an issue.

5 We are collectively thinking in terms of a joint Christmas
 and Year of the Child issue as being a reasonable compromise
 if insufficient grounds can be found for a special children's
 issue and if the current interest in Christmas issues continues
 then there will certainly be scope for healthy returns by
 adopting such a plan.

6 I am of the view that Government, through the Postal
 Administration, has the right to use stamps to bring about a
 public awareness on certain issues such as road safety (where
 applicable of course), drug abuse, environmental conservation, etc.
 The Year of the Child is not far removed from such subjects.
 I also think that Government can afford to try and brighten
 people's lives every now and again by issuing stamps of a more
 light-hearted nature than those normally produced.

7 I believe that this particular subject will attract more
 interest as we get nearer the date and, therefore, generate sales
 thus satisfying all criteria.

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To Mr D Morrison

Date 20 October 1977

8 I have mentioned the possibility of a combined Christmas/ Children's issue because I think this will allow for a more cheerful issue than is indicated in the blurb issued by UNICEF. I also think that just as much sympathy can be aroused by portraying happy, healthy, well-adjusted children as can be achieved by showing miserable, undernourished, oppressed children. The latter will tend to generate pathos and despair whilst the former would engender warmth, hope and encouragement.

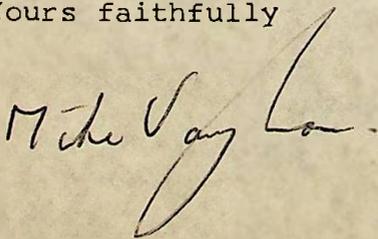
9 In any event, aside from the religious aspects of Christmas it is by tradition a time of year for children, so the two subjects go together rather well.

10 If you agree with my thinking so far and are sufficiently encouraged to consider the idea seriously then you can perhaps give some thought to how we tackle the question of design. Here in the U K we are well aware of the spirit of loyalty (if that is the right word) in the colony but frankly have little idea of how much of the British tradition remains, e g in the way that Christmas is celebrated. If you thought it appropriate we could take a few lessons from Christmas Carols and portray the spirit of "Christmas as enjoyed by Children" and if the religious significance of Christmas were to be included then I need hardly remind you of one child without whom there would be no Christmas.

11 Presumably your committee will give the subject an airing before any decision is made but if you would like me to arrange preparation of some designs in varying styles or treating the subject from various viewpoints I shall be pleased to do so.

12 I certainly look forward to your reply.

Yours faithfully



6. FUTURE ISSUES

- 6.1 A list of suggested subjects was compiled and graded in order of suitability, A, B and C. This list is given at Annexure I
- 6.2 A further list was compiled giving suggested programme for the next 5 years. This is shown at Annexure II.
- 6.3 The compilation of the lists led to discussion on certain issues.

ANNEXURE I

<u>PROPOSED SUBJECTS</u>	<u>GRADING</u>
Medical Services (difficult to portray?)	B
Warships & Crests (possibly over done)	B
Birds	A
Working Animals of the Falkland Islands (using heads only)	A
Uniforms of British Regiments which have served in the Falkland Islands	B
Education	B
Explorers	B
150th Anniversary of the Founding of the Colony	A
(It was suggested there should be 5 or 6 commemorative stamps for this issue, and it was thought that local artists could be asked to put up sketches for consideration. An announcement could be put out asking for suggestions, preferably accompanied by sketches, to be in by a given date)	
Colonial Governors	C
Charles Darwin: Voyage of the Beagle	A
Captain Cooke.	A
(NB A letter had been received from CAs with the following information:	
250th Anniversary of birth was October 1978	
200th " " death " February 1979	
A reproduction of a cameo portrait, prepared for Josiah Wedgewood, could possibly be made available)	
It was thought that, although Cooke did not actually visit the Falkland Islands, we were connected by his discovery of South Georgia, a Dependency, and should join with SG and BAT to get the greatest advantage from the issue. It might be possible to illustrate that link by a map showing the Falklands and South Georgia. The February date would best suit the timing for SG and BAT and it would mean that the Penguin issue would have to be delayed.	
<u>DCS would telegraph CAs to hold Penguin issue pending further instructions, because of the Cooke issue, and to agree to the Cooke issue for all three territories to come out at the same time (some time in November 1978?)</u>	
Penguins (always popular but has been done before and would clash with BAT issue)	B
Seals	B
Rare plants	C
Shells	B
Butterflies	C
Land Marks (geographical features) (an attempt would be made to locate photographs)	B
Post Marks (New Island, 'Fox Bay', 'Afterglow' etc)	A

ANNEXURE II

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PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME

1979

Accession to UPU

Maps & Charts

Mammals

*Rowland Hill
Kelp*

1980

Birds

Early Settlements

~~Christmas Issue~~

1981

Working Animals

Conservation

Post Marks

1982

Fish

Surveyors

Medical

Services

1983

150th Anniversary of Founding of Colony

Charles Darwin and the Beagle

Kelp

(NB It may be appropriate to move Kelp further up the table as Mr Strange has already produced rough drawings.)

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International Year of the Child: We were awaiting a reply from CAs.

50th anniversary of the

5. Commander Byrd. (to commemorate the/first flight over the South Pole)

5.1 The CS read a letter from Mr Vaughan asking if the release date had been fixed, and a letter had gone to Mr Sloman to get the dates of the BAS sailings.

5.2 There was a possibility that this issue could clash with the proposed Penguin issue, but the CS pointed out that Penguins were timeless, but the Byrd anniversary had a fixed date.

5.3 DCS would take care of correspondence and contact Mr Sloman to confirm that the issue date would coincide with the movements of BAS vessels.

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6.3.2 Number of issues: The Cook issue would bring the number of issues next year to six:

The new definitive	January
Aquila Flying Boat	April
Coronation	June
100 th Anniversary of Postage Stamps	August
Captain Cook	November
Airport	Date not known

It was agreed that this was acceptable as the Coronation was an omnibus issue of worldwide importance; the Cook issue was also an issue in which other territories would participate.

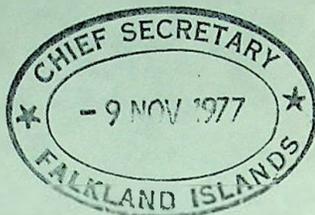
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Stanley
Falkland Islands.
4th November 77

D. Morrison Esq
Deputy Chief Secretary
Secretariat
Stanley



Ken Davy

Further to our conversation on stamp designs the following are some of the proposals that you may wish to consider for future issues.

Maps and Charts

As you are aware this proposal has already been discussed with the Postmaster. Currently I am awaiting further information on the availability of some of these maps and charts and when the reply is received I will convey the information to you. As I mentioned, I do have a fairly large collection of very old charts and it may be that suitable material will be found amongst these should the proposal be taken further.

Butterflies

Unfortunately we only have two known species in the Islands. However, both are fairly colourful and I believe could be subjects for a small issue. Recently the USA issued a small set of such stamps, but instead of placing a different value on each design, the same value appeared on the complete set. I can't quite see the reasoning behind this unless it is to make collectors items of a set, but it occurred to me it might be an idea worth following up for such a small issue.

Penguins

A set of five stamps depicting the breeding species of penguins found in these Islands. From the artistic and design angle I think that a very attractive issue would be produced.

Birds of prey or raptures

In a similar form to the above some five species could be chosen to produce an issue. Grouping species in this way would also leave the option of producing a much larger and general set depicting birds species at some later date.

Geese

A four design set showing Upland Goose, Ruddy Headed goose, Kelp Geese and the Ashy headed goose.

Fishes

A large number of different looking species are found in Falkland waters which from a design point of view could give the opening to produce a set of at least five stamps.

Seals

Although one species of seal has been shown on a fairly recent issue a set of three or four stamps could be produced illustrating Fur seal, Sea Lion, Sea Elephant and probably Leopard seal.

Rare Whales

I think that I explained the reason for being fairly specific with the Marine Mammal issue, at present being designed, that by keeping to the Cetaceans (Porpoises and Dolphins) this would give us a further opening at some later date to produce a further set showing some of the smaller and rare whales found here, quite distinct from our Marine Mammal subjects and those shown on a recent B.A.T. issue.

Stamp issues cont?

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Islands

This would need further investigation to check the types found in the Islands but feel it quite probable that suitable subjects could be found to produce a colourful set of designs.

Rare Plants.

Apart from the more recent set of flower stamps a number of other plants such as Ferns, Sedges and Rushes could be selected to produce such a set. At least one such rare plant which would make a very colourful design can be found on Kidney Island Reserve.

Old Industries "Fisheries"

Under this one title alone I believe that some three issues depicting the Sealing Industries, Penguin Oiling and Old Whaling, could yield some interesting stamp designs. In all cases I was considering such industries as they were operated prior to 1850.

Landmarks

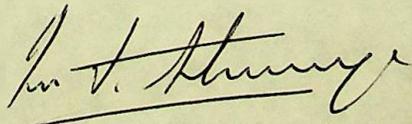
Some very spectacular Cliffs, Bluffs and Stacks are to be found in some areas of the Islands which I believe could be subjects for a number of interesting stamp designs. The landmarks which come first to mind are places like Staats Bluff, Landsend Bluff (New Island) The Colliers, The Horse Block both in region of Beaver Island. The Citadel and Anvil Stack on Beauchene Island.

Falkland Navigators

Some of the early navigators such as Fitzroy, Sullivan, Mc Bride and no doubt others could be subjects for an issue.

Finally on the question of the proposed "Conservation" issue which we discussed again there are only one or two points that I can add to my previous letters on this subject. Should the suggestion that this issue be re-named "Conserve" be taken up, it does leave the option of producing a separate "Conservation" issue at a later date. I think you would agree that the term "Conserve" would precede "Conservation" rather than the other way round. This also has the merit of indicating that as an important wild life area, we are making progress towards conserving without perhaps giving the chance for it to be said that we are jumping ahead a little with our actual position in the field of conservation. I think that this is particularly important at this stage when proposals have been mentioned for the possible minting of a WWLF coin for the Islands. On this particular question of a coin issue I also wondered if it might not be an idea to link this in some way with a "Conserve" issue of stamps. From a design point of view, should we be allowed to use the WWLF Panda emblem, I believe it could be incorporated in the original design that I proposed for this stamp without too much difficulty.

Yours sincerely,



I. J. Strange.

14th November

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M. Hickson, Esq.,
South America Department,
Foreign & Commonwealth Office,
LONDON, SW1A 2AL.

Dear Michael,

STAMP PROGRAMME

Please refer to your Savingram⁽⁵¹⁾ of 18th March YFP/205/492/1.
As 1978 is almost upon us, we have been trying to compile our
stamp programme for 1979/1983 and have come up with the following
titles:

1979

Kelp
(Accession to UPU*)
Maps & Charts*
Mammals

See (81) and see para 286 (83)
Dolphins & Porpoises
Newland Hill

1980

Birds
Early Settlements*
(Christmas Issue)

? Maps & charts

1981

Working Animals
Conservation
Post Marks

1982

Fish
Surveyors
~~Medical Services~~

dropped see (90)

1983

150th Anniversary of Founding of Colony
Charles Darwin and the Beagle
Kelp*

The above list is only a provisional one and does in fact
include some subjects that you have already approved which I have
marked with an asterisk.

I should be grateful if you would let me have approval of
the proposed programme in accordance with FCO circular 21/71 of
5th April 1971 reference MUT/4/3.

Reply at (81)

/If it.....

If it so happens that I should have addressed this to the Polar Regions Department or some other department perhaps you would be so kind as to steer it in the direction of the appropriate office.

Yours faithfully,


CHIEF SECRETARY

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21st November 77

M. Vaughan Esq.,
Crown Agents Stamp Bureau,
St. Nicholas House,
Sutton,
Surrey. SM1 1EL

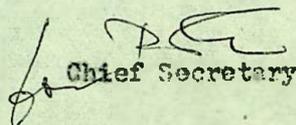
Dear Mike,

COMMANDER BYRD ISSUE

Please refer to your letter H1/1618 BAT Programme of 22nd September.

2. I confirm that you may proceed with this issue for release in the 1979 Antarctic season after we have obtained permission from the FCO for this issue.

Yours faithfully,


Chief Secretary

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cc: PH, Mr. Sloman BAS, P&T/1/5 ✓

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29 November

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Ian Strange Esq
New Island

Dear Ian,

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This is just to acknowledge your letter of 4 November with the suggestions for future issues which we will bear in mind.

Thank you also for the other letter about the Conservation issue.

Regards to Maria.

Yours sincerely,



Doug Morrison

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STANLEY FALKLAND ISLANDS

FOR MASSINGHAM GRATEFUL YOU CABLE DETAILS OF 1978 STAMP
PROGRAMME WHICH WE SEE AS JANUARY NEW DEFINITIVE MARCH NEW
DEFINITIVE
BOOKLET APRIL NEW AERODROME AND FIRST DIRECT FLIGHT
JUNE CORONATION AUGUST POSTAGE STAMPS STOP WE SUGGEST COMBINED
RELEASE OF AERODROME AND FIRST DIRECT FLIGHT TO AVOID
BUNCHING

COL LTF 1978

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STOP FCO REQUIRE MODIFICATION NEW AERODROME
DESIGNS IE 15P AIRCRAFT TO BE OMITTED 22P TO BE REPLACED WITH
PHOTO NEW AIRPORT BUILDING AND SUPERIMPOSED AIRCRAFT WE ARE
ARRANGING AMENDMENTS ACCORDING IN LIGHT OF SUGGESTION
TO COMBINE ISSUES SUGGEST AMEND 11P OF AERODROME ISSUE TO 5P
VAUGHAN CROWN SUTTON

COL 15P 22P 11P 5P



*Copy to PM for v. early
comments pl. Copy to PT/2/15 with original
on Stamp Programme file*

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PLEASE PASS CASB SUTTON. YRTEL 14 DECEMBER. FIRST REACTION COMBINING FLYING BOATS AND AIRPORT ISSUE UNFAVOURABLE WILL GIVE DEFINITIVE DECISION LATER MEANWHILE APPRECIATE REASONS FOR FCO RECOMMENDED CHANGES PLUS DESCRIPTION OF STAMP DESIGNS AND VALUES AS WE DON'T HAVE COPIES DESIGNS HERE E.G. IS 15P STAMP TO HAVE AIRCRAFT OMITTED OR WHOLE STAMP TO BE OMITTED

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MEMORANDUM

Referenc~~e~~ PT/2/15

Date 16th December

From Postmaster

To Chief Secretary

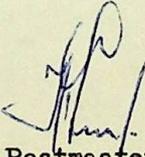
Telegram dated 14th inst. from Crown Agents re Stamp Issues

Broadly speaking the Stamp Programme is exactly as envisaged by us - the New Definitive Booklets are of course an addition to the programme. As we have a very full programme for the first half of the year I would much prefer to have the booklets released later, possibly in October.

The Stanley Airport (Aerodrome) and Flying Boat (First Direct Flight) Issues commemorate two specific events and I am not in favour of combining them. Furthermore the 28th April is the date of the Flying Boat flight and we have agreed to release the stamps on that date. The Stanley Airport could possibly be opened in April also but at this stage the position is far from definite and the Official Opening could very well be later or earlier than April.

I would like to know on what grounds FCO require the Airport designs modified. If there is some objection to our designs surely it would have been courteous to have referred the matter to the people concerned here. Many many man hours have been expended on this issue during the past few years, apparently to no avail. Of the four designs submitted the 22p is possibly the most attractive but I appreciate it may portray too much of an International impression and I would not object to it being replaced by a stamp depicting the Terminal Building.

If the two issues are not combined there is no point in amending the value of the stamps concerned.


Postmaster



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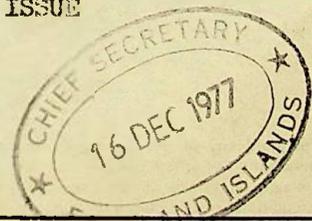
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No. 356 FOR VAUGHAN CASH SUTTON. YRTEL 14 DECEMBER. DEFER DEFINITIVE BOOKLET UNTIL OCTOBER. REVENUE WILL THEN FALL WITHIN 78/79 FINANCIAL YEAR.

AIRPORT AND FLYING BOAT ISSUES ARE DISCRETE AND SHOUDN'T BE COMBINED. AIRPORT ISSUE WILL BE RELEASED COINCIDE OFFICIAL OPENING DATE PRESENTLY UNKNOWN SO THIS WILL HAVE TO FLOAT. GRATEFUL WRITE REASONS FOR PGO AMENDMENTS AIRPORT ISSUE

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FOR OVERSEA GOVERNMENTS AND ADMINISTRATIONS

II Division

ST. NICHOLAS HOUSE

SUTTON

SURREY SM1 1EL

Our ref H/54

Your ref

Date 9 JUNE 1977

THE SECRETARIAT
STANLEY
FALKLAND ISLANDS
SOUTH ATLANTIC

Dear Sir

I enclose for your records, and safe keeping, the materials which were used in the production of the issues of postage stamps as listed on the attached sheet.

2 Please acknowledge safe receipt of this material by signing and returning the duplicate copy of this letter.

Yours faithfully

J. Flowerth

for the Crown Agents

FALKLAND ISLANDS ARTWORK

Wool Industry
(Sheep Farming)

- ✓ 4 stamp rough designs
- ✓ 4 stamp finished designs
- ✓ 1 rejected finished design
- ✓ 1 FDC rough design
- ✓ 1 FDC finished design

New Coinage Issue

- ✓ 5 stamp rough designs
- ✓ 5 stamp finished designs
- ✓ 1 s/sht rough (not used)
- ✓ 1 s/sht finished (not used)
- ✓ 1 FDC finished design
- ✓ Bromide prints of coins

50th Anniv Heraldic Arms

- 3 stamp rough designs
- 4 stamp finished designs
- 1 FDC rough design
- 1 FDC finished design

35th Anniv Battle of
River Plate

- 5 rough stamp designs
- 4 finished stamp designs
- 1 FDC rough designs
- ✓ 1 FDC finished design
- Various reference material sheets.

+ 25-68 stamps

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23rd December

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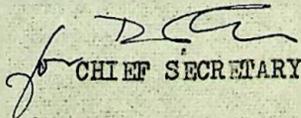
Crown Agents,
H Division,
St. Nicholas House,
Sutton,
Surrey, SM1 1EL.

Dear Sir,

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I attach a signed copy of your letter of 9th June acknowledging receipt of material used in connection with stamp issues.

Yours faithfully,


CHIEF SECRETARY

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Crown Agents for Oversea Governments and Administrations
ST NICHOLAS HOUSE SUTTON SURREY SM1 1EL
TELEPHONE 01-643 3311 TELEGRAMS CROWN SUTTON



Our Ref: H5

28 December 1977

See Mr. Morrison

No relevance to Falklands.

ALBRECHT DURER 1471-1528 STAMP ISSUE

There is a growing interest among collectors to assemble collections from various countries which have a common theme. Perhaps the best example that can be quoted is the issues released during 1977 commemorating Her Majesty The Queen's Silver Jubilee.

Omnibus issues of this nature create a tremendous amount of interest both among collectors and also the philatelic trade who are prepared to promote the issues within a group arrangement. Our current marketing plans for the Coronation Issues for 1978 of course are based on this thinking.

In addition to major issues of this nature there is considerable scope to plan and promote minor issues in what might be described as "mini-bus" issues and it is for this reason we are writing to you about the 450th Anniversary of the death of Albrecht Durer the famous German artist which occurs in 1978. We consider it might be an ideal opportunity to issue a series of stamps depicting his work.

Durer was a German painter, designer, sculptor and engraver on wood and metal. He was the first in Germany who taught the rules of perspective and of the proportions of the human figure and among the first to practise etching and produce water colours painted directly from the landscape. His fame was largely dependent on his graphic work. This consisted of wood-cuts and copperplate engravings, some being single prints such as Knight, Death and the Devil but most of them forming a series illustrating religious themes such as "The Passion", "The Apocalypse" or "The Life of the Virgin".

Mr D F Morrison

Reply at (82)

We believe that the varied styles and themes of Durer's work would make a popular issue in US and Europe and would like to recommend a set of four stamps with a total face value of approximately £0.75 to be released by as many Postal Authorities as possible. The set issued by each Authority would depict a different aspect of Durer's work, with possibly a religious theme for Authorities wishing to use this as a Christmas issue.

The ideal time for the series to be released would be between September and November 1978. This would coincide with the International Philatelic Exhibition which will be held in Germany in November, and we would expect to make large sales there.

We hope that you will consider participating in this issue and we look forward to hearing your views.

*Yours sincerely
Brian Hawthorne*

B J HAWTHORNE

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TO ROUTINE PORT STANLEY TELEGRAM NO 18 OF 25 JANUARY 1978.

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MORRISON'S LETTER TO HICKSON OF 14 NOVEMBER 1977: 1979-1983
STAMP PROGRAMME.

WITH EXCEPTION OF QUOTE ACCESSION TO UPU UNQUOTE, ABOUT WHICH
CROWN AGENTS WILL WRITE YOU FURTHER, THE PROPOSALS ARE APPROVED
IN PRINCIPLE.

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3rd February

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Mr. B. J. Hawthorne,
Crown Agents Stamp Bureau,
St. Nicholas House,
Sutton,
Surrey, SM1 1EL.

Dear Mr. Hawthorne,

Albrecht Durer Stamp Issue

Thank you for your letter ⁸⁰H5 of 28th December.

2. While we appreciate the efforts you are making on our behalf, I am sure you will agree that in view of the recent criticism we have been subjected to about Jubilee Booklets and the Coronation Issue, to participate in an issue with no relevance to the Falklands would only encourage our critics to return to the attack.

3. Our policy is to issue stamps with particular relevance to the Falklands, and not to be drawn into issues featuring World Cup Football, Beethoven, Durer etc. As a matter of fact I am directed to state that the Chief Secretary is disturbed to receive such a suggestion from you when we are endeavouring to maintain and not despoil our philatelic image.

Yours faithfully,

CHIEF SECRETARY

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24. February 1978 xxx

M Vaughan Esq
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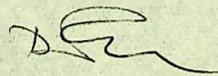
WRIGHT BROTHERS

A suggestion was made in Council yesterday that we should release on 17 December this year a short set commemorating the Wright Brothers.

2. I am writing this to catch Monday's mail which is why I am not even able to say what the anniversary is! Having said that, would you please consider this and consult ~~the appropriate department~~ of the appropriate department of the FCO and see what they think. *(original re-typed)*

3. I fully understand that you will point out the need to give you proper notice of issues which the FCO set out in their stamp policy as 18 months. Apart from this there is the question of fitting this into our 1978 programme which is quite full; another point is that the Postmaster is never enthusiastic about an issue too close to Christmas because of the congestion in the Post Office at that time. The test of relevancy is also one that cannot be ignored, and having just turned aside the Albrecht Durer idea, the critics could justifiably point out that there is no connection between the Wright brothers and flying in the Falklands. I also note that the FCO recommend that new issues should not exceed four a year (excluding definitives); with our Flying Boat, Coronation, Centenary of First Stamps, and Airport, we have reached the maximum.

4. However, I should be grateful for your telegraphed views on this suggestion so that Council can be informed when it next meets in about a month's time.



D R Morrison

for Chief Secretary



RCS
A most useful letter.
Let us discuss.
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Crown Agents for Oversea Governments and Administrations
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Mr J Massingham
Chief Secretary
Secretariat
Stanley
FALKLAND ISLANDS



Our ref PH1B/FALK IS 1618P

Your ref P&T/1/5

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9 February 1978

Dear *Mr. Massingham*

THE FALKLAND ISLANDS STAMP PROGRAMME 1978 - 1983

I recently had a meeting with Dr John Heap and Miss Nora Farrell at the Foreign and Commonwealth Office to discuss the postage stamp programme for the Falkland Islands. I will write to you separately with regard to the British Antarctic Territory and South Georgia programmes.

2 As proposed in Doug Morrison's letter to the FCO of 14 November 1977, I understand this programme has in fact now been approved in principal by Dr David Owen with the exception of "Accession to Upu". issue as it is virtually certain that in 1979 the Upu congress will vote to abolish the separate membership of the Union for Overseas Territories; the Falkland Islands and British Antarctic Territory are at present component parts of one "ensemble" with separate membership from the United Kingdom in the Union. From 1979 onwards it is likely that the only way Overseas Territories can remain in the Union is by being covered by the United Kingdom's own ratification and approval of the Acts of Congress, or by taking out individual membership which would be uneconomic. In the circumstances such an issue may not be appropriate.

3 We are not certain exactly what you intended by "Accession to Upu" but should you wish to pursue this further, we would be interested to have further details.

4 In any event we could not guarantee anything like the same level of sales as for the earlier "Centenary of the Upu" issue especially as it would be difficult to come up with a new slant.

5 As regards the remainder of the programme, the following is our understanding of the current position.

1978

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| i) 25 January | NEW DEFINITIVE ISSUE | Released |
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To ..Mr..J..Massingham.....

Date9 February 1978

ii) 28 April 26th ANNIVERSARY OF THE FIRST DIRECT FLIGHT SOUTHAMPTON TO STANLEY 21 APRIL 1952

The production of this issue is on schedule and you should have already received the two proofs under cover of our letter of 25 January.

iii) 2 June 25th ANNIVERSARY OF THE CORONATION 1953

The stamps and First Day Covers are being packed for despatch per the March sailing of "Annette Danielson".

iv) August CENTENARY OF THE FIRST POSTAGE STAMP

We have invited tenders for this issue and hope to advise prices and delivery by the end of the month.

v) OCTOBER OFFICIAL OPENING OF THE NEW AERODROME

Release date to be advised.

Replied to We await your reply to our letter of 10 January, in which we advised that the artwork designs would not be completed until you confirmed the purchase of the 'Islander' aircraft.

vi) November NEW DEFINITIVE STAMP BOOKLET

No vii) "In reserve" ALBRECHT DURER

We look forward to your decision with regard to your participation in this special series. My colleagues involved in marketing report considerable interest among European collectors for Durer issues so this could be financially very rewarding.

1979

i) MAPS AND CHARTS

We understand that you intend to commission Mr *9*an Strange to prepare the artwork for this issue upon his return to Stanley. Philatelically, maps and charts generally arouse a good deal of interest, providing that they have some historical merit.

ii) MAMMALS

As always, a popular theme but the success of this issue will largely depend upon the species selected and the artist's

/interpretation

To Mr. J. Massingham

Date 9 February 1978

interpretation.

Mr Strange informed us that he is working on five designs to make up this set, so we look forward to receiving the artwork as well as your comments.

iii) ROWLAND HILL CENTENARY

As you may know 1979 marks the centenary of the death of Rowland Hill, the originator of the first adhesive postage stamp. At the present time an omnibus issue is mooted, although our plans are by no means definite. We will let you have our ideas as soon as they are formalised. Meanwhile, you may wish to consider its inclusion in your programme.

1980

i) BIRDS

Always a popular theme and a good seller. However, this is the first advice we have had on this topic and we would like to see which species are to be featured and comment accordingly.

ii) EARLY SETTLEMENTS

This should be a well sought after issue, especially by those philatelists keenly interested in the history of the islands. Incidentally, we have written to the Scott Polar Institute to enquire whether they have any suitable material depicting Port Egmont. If our enquiry proves negative, we will commission Clive Abbott to base his design on his own interpretation of the description forwarded by Mr Morrison.

iii) CHRISTMAS

As a theme, Christmas can be extremely successful, although the philatelic market is fickle and trends are particularly difficult to forecast for such issues.

We await your advice on this issue as we understand that it was decided some time that you intended to put this idea before the Design Committee for recommendations. ~~You will recall that the issue could be linked with the UPU sponsored "Year of the Child"~~ (1969!)

iv) CENTENARY OF THE FIRST MAIL SERVICE 1880-1980

? John Cooker recently submitted four rough speculative designs to us at Major Spafford's instigation. I will write to you separately on this issue and enclose the designs for your perusal.

/1981

To Mr J Massingham

Date 9 February 1978

1981

i) WORKING ANIMALS

What does this mean?
This is also a new theme to us and we would like to know exactly what is intended here. This subject will of course have to be treated sympathetically. Potentially a very good seller, however.

ii) CONSERVATION

Conservation has been planned for several years now and although we appreciate that the Islanders are keen to include it in the stamp programme, we will have to be certain that this issue is justifiable; meaning that the Falkland Islands should have active conservation policy and that the species is officially classified as recognised as "Conserved".

Also, if you should wish you include the World Wildlife symbol on the stamp designs, we will have to obtain the necessary approval.

During our discussion with the FCO 'Seals' was considered to be an appropriate subject in a 'loose' conservation context since 1981 marks the centenary of the "Regulations on the Seal Industry". Perhaps you would like to debate this suggestion with the design committee.

iii) POSTMARKS

Another new idea and again we are not certain exactly what is proposed. That is whether the intention is to reproduce the actual first cancellation postmark or the first postage stamp. The latter is to be used this year in the "Centenary of the First Issue of Postage Stamps" and thus any duplication must be avoided. However, without knowing your plans, we would say that our initial reaction to this topic is guarded because 'postal' anniversaries are appearing with some regularity.

1982

i) FISH

Such issues tend to sell very well philatetically, although careful consideration will have to be given to the selection of the species if it is true to say that fish of the South Atlantic waters are particularly unattractive.

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To Mr J Massingham

Date 9 February 1978

ii) SURVEYORS

However, This could be a worthwhile issue. I assume that the issue will feature explorers, ~~etc~~ *navigation instruments etc.*

iii) MEDICAL SERVICES

This also requires clarification. We do not know whether any particular anniversary is being marked and foresee only moderate sales but the issue is worth including.

1983

i) THE FOUNDING OF THE COLONY

Potentially could arouse tremendous historical interest to Falkland Island as well as Commonwealth Stamp Collectors. We look forward to hearing about your proposals.

ii) CHARLES DARWIN AND THE BEAGLE

Thematically cannot fail because not only will the man and his work engender international interest but other subjects may be expertly exploited. For example the set could portray favourite topics like Flora and Fauna of the Falkland Islands as well as the HMS-Beagle-ships are always a popular subject.

iii) KELP

In the past has had surprisingly good results and is considered to be a good choice. Mr Strange has, as we understand, recently submitted five rough designs and we expect to hear from you shortly.

6 I hope that our comments will be helpful to you and look forward to receiving your reply and further instructions in due course.

7 Of late you have tended to be a bit more active as regards preparation of designs locally and I am not sure whether this is now a matter of policy or not.

8 If it is then there are dangers which I must warn you about:-

1. Artwork size - very important. Designs must be exactly to scale with appropriate allowances for margins etc.

9 February 1978

To Mr J Massingham

2. Number of colours: The artist should bear in mind the scope of the printing process and the use of "special" colours should be limited. Every colour costs money.
3. Lettering: Again there are certain rules about size etc. The artist should avoid reversing out through more than one colour or trying to put black on a dark background.
4. Time: It takes about nine months to produce a stamp issue from planning to delivery
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| a | Rough designs | 8 weeks |
| b | Approval | 2 weeks |
| c | Finished artwork | 6 weeks |
| d | Approval | 2 weeks |
| e | Tendering | 3 weeks |
| f | Proofing | 5 weeks |
| g | Approval | 1 week |
| h | Printing | 5 weeks |
| i | Delivery | 4 weeks |

9 Please remember that stamp designs have to be approved by the FCO and HM The Queen.

10 This is just to give you an indication of the problems. There is no reason why you should not produce your own designs but please do not be too proud to ask our advice - it could save a lot of headaches!

11 You will have gathered that I am a bit anxious about timing. So often in the past we have had to produce issues in a rush with scimpy research and inadequate time to prepare artwork to a high standard. Now that you have decided on a programme we should strive to consolidate - aiming to have the stamps printed about three months before the due release date so that we can save money by using seafreight etc. This means starting design work about one year before the intended release date which in turn means starting the discussion/planning stage a minimum 15 months before release.

12 There are bound to be occasional programme changes but these can be accommodated more easily by getting ahead with production generally. The reason is that if an issue suddenly blows up in your face e.g. because the artwork gets lost or the printer is struck by lightning, you can bring a later issue forward (provided you have the work sufficiently advanced).

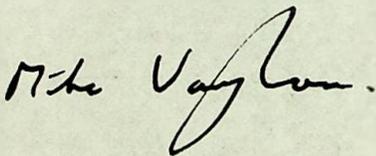
To Mr J Massingham

Date 9 February 1978

13 The three year plan which we have always advocated is based on the theory that we should be printing issues this year for release next year, designing issues this year for release the year after and thinking about the issue we are going to produce the year after that. So you can see that the 15 month period I have quoted earlier should be regarded as a minimum in the strictest sense. Moreover the planning etc should be done on a continually revolving basis.

14 We use a panel of more than a dozen professional stamp designers and can usually get jobs turned around fairly quickly depending on the amount of research required. We are quite happy to take the initiative, conduct research and submit detailed proposals if you will let us know which issues are not being tackled locally and I hope that you will make use of this facility.

Yours sincerely



M VAUGHAN

P.S. I apologise for the standard of typing - not entirely the typists' fault in view of the standard of my writing, however!



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Crown Agents for Oversea Governments and Administrations

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PH1B/FALKLAND ISLANDS 7/22989

Your Ref : P&T/1/5



16 February 1978

Dear *Mr. Massingham*

"CENTENARY OF THE FIRST MAIL SERVICE"

Please find enclosed herewith four rough speculative designs which John Cooter has prepared at the instigation of Major Stafford. The four designs depict :

- Isis at Port Stanley.
- Setos leaving Dartmouth.
- Route of the Mail Boats.
- Cosmos Line Flag.

Such an issue is not included in your programme but ~~such an issue~~ would perhaps be appropriate for 1980 which will be the centenary of the Falkland Islands first efficient external mail service when a contract was signed with the Cosmos Steam Ship Company of Hamburg.

Although the issue would follow the Mail Ships Definitive, there would be a gap of some 2½ years between the two releases which could be useful inasmuch that publicity for the Centenary of the Mail Service issue could also be used to attract further sales of the Definitive issue.

I shall be interested to learn your Committee's views.

Yours sincerely

M VAUGHAN

Mr J Massingham

ACS The Committee should consider these interesting designs.

2. Have we got enough business for a full agenda?

[Signature]

I have these

Handed to me and
discussed with Mr Davidson
Most of the ideas are in hand or have
been discussed.
Philatelic Ideas ex. D. Davidson West Point

1. The production of a glossy coloured booklet on F.I. stamps.

all F.I. stamps to be presented in colour with a brief history and information on the islands and a few details about the stamps.

Suggest that the F.I. study group be commissioned to produce the booklet on a profit sharing basis.

2. Stamps be sold on board tourist ships in the case of Explorer + Discoverer a P.O. official to travel on board dealing as customs offices for clearance purposes as I believe there is already provision for these ships to pay the cost of a customs offices.

3. Special caskets for internal mail
 - a) Carried by the ~~air~~ Govt. Air Service.

- b) "Carried by sea" or the name of the ship involved.

- c) The Explorer + Discoverer could possibly have their own casket.

- 4) The appointment of a full time philatelic clerk to deal with all this sort of work.

- 5) Suggestions for stamp issues:-

1. An issue depicting the two early F.I. cancellations and the first stamp.
2. The five penguins of the islands.
3. A fish issue.
4. Centennial - $1\frac{1}{2}$ or bi-centennial issues for the founding of various settlements.



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CHIEFSEC
STANLEYFALKLANDISLANDS

FOR MORRISON RE YR LTR 24TH RELEASE OF 3 AIRCRAFT ISSUES
IN YEAR NOT RECOMMENDED STOP HOWEVER ONE STAMP OF
AIRPOST ISSUE COULD DEPICT 75TH ANNIV OF WRIGHT BROTHERS
FIRST MAN-CARRYING POWERED SUSTAINED FLIGHT OF 17/12/1903
THIS PRACTICE IS NOT UNUSUAL AND WOULD ADD PHILATELIC
SALES POTENTIAL

~~COL 24TH 3 75TH 17/12/1903~~

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TO AIRPOST ISSUE STOP AWAIT REPLY BEFORE CONSULTING FCO
CROWN SUTTON

COL NIL

*We have our maximum of
four short sets
Flying Boat
celebration
centenary of first stamps
official opening of airport.*

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No. 63

YRTEL 10TH AIRPORT ISSUE. CESSNA SKYHAWK WHITE AND RED WITH MAROON TRIM. REG MARKS VP-PAR BUT AWAIT COLOUR PHOTO LEAVING 20MARCH.

2. YRTEL 7MARCH PLEASE DISCONTINUE ACTION ON WRIGHT BROTHERS PROPOSAL

CHIEF SEC

c.c. POSTMASTER

P&T/1/5 ✓



I REQUEST THAT THE ABOVE TELEGRAM BE FORWARDED SUBJECT TO THE CONDITIONS PRINTED ON THE BACK OF THIS FORM BY WHICH I AGREE TO BE BOUND.

SIGNATURE AND ADDRESS OF SENDER

John

TELEPHONE

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MEMBER OF THE CABLE AND WIRELESS WORLDWIDE COMMUNICATIONS GROUP

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EXTRACT OF MINUTES OF EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING NO 2/78
HELD ON THURSDAY 23RD FEBRUARY 1978

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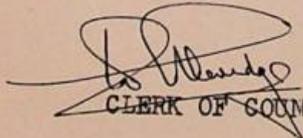
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10. Proposed Stamp Issue

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- 10.1 The Honourable W. R. Luxton proposed a special stamp issue to commemorate, on 17th December 1978, the 75th anniversary of the first flight by the Wright brothers.
- 10.2 The Chief Secretary felt that such an issue might have difficulty in meeting the criteria for relevancy and he also foresaw difficulty in producing the stamp in the time available; however it was agreed that the Foreign and Commonwealth Office and the Crown Agents should be approached for their reactions.

See (81)


CLERK OF COUNCILS

4 April

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M Vaughan Esq
Crown Agents Stamp Bureau
St Nicholas House
Sutton Surrey
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→ JPM
→ J/W

I am writing to enclose a copy of a self-explanatory letter that I have sent to Major Spafford about stamp designs. I hope that it will serve to dispel some present uncertainties and also to remind him that policy decisions about Falkland Islands stamp issues are made here in Stanley.

2. We have no intention of trying to constrain him from keeping in contact with you: no doubt his specialist knowledge and enthusiasm can be valuable. I am content, therefore, to leave it to your discretion on what matters you should continue to deal with him. When it comes to original proposals and designs, however, I do suggest that you forward the correspondence and sketches to me, and so to tell him.

JOHN MASSINGHAM
CHIEF SECRETARY

JB

JCS: John; New York

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4 April

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Major R N Spafford
29 Queens Road
Weston-Super-Mare BS23 2LH

I write to seek your help in resolving a small problem that has arisen.

We have just received from the Crown Agents a design for a possible 'kelp' issue of stamps that Mr Cooter had submitted to them with, we understand, your encouragement. In fact, the Government Stamp Committee is about to send to London a series of designs for such an issue that it had already commissioned from a local artist.

I would not wish in any way to constrain or inhibit you from the regular liaison that you have with the Crown Agents about our issues. I have stated in previous letters - and now repeat - that we welcome the specialist knowledge and enthusiasm that you are always ready to offer. However, it would - I believe - be mutually helpful if you were to put your suggestions for new issues in the first instance to me, as Chairman of the Government Stamp Committee. Certainly it would avoid some confusion, ensure co-ordination of effort, and avoid misunderstandings. The Committee is now considering about one dozen prospective new issues. We are greatly encouraged by the interest that is being shown in them locally and we are establishing small ad hoc groups, drawn from local residents, to consider in the first instances ideas for tackling certain proposed themes. Where the ideas are beyond our capacity we are turning to the Crown Agents to provide the research and designs. But we would be encouraged if proposals emanating from you could come direct to us initially.

I am confident that you will appreciate the spirit in which this letter has been written.

JOHN MASSINGHAM
CHIEF SECRETARY

bcc M Vaughan Esq Crown Agents' Stamp Bureau

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Your ref: PH 1/FALK IS 7/22989

6 April

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CENTENARY OF THE FIRST MAIL SERVICE

Thank you for your letter of 16 February enclosing speculative designs by John Cooter.

2. We have had a very thorough look at this suggestion and come to the conclusion that it would be incongruous to celebrate a centenary of the first mail service when we have on release a definitive issue depicting ships which carried mail going as far back as 1842! This would make a nonsense of the issue and we reluctantly decided that we should not proceed with it. This illustrates the need for Major Spafford/John Cooter to make the approaches for issues through the Falkland Islands Government, so that our stamp affairs can be properly co-ordinated.



D R Morrison
for Chief Secretary

JB

7th April

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Mr. M. Vaughan,
Crown Agents Stamp Bureau,
St. Nicholas House,
Sutton,
Surrey, SM1 1EL.

Dear Mike,

Thank you for your very helpful letter which set out in detail your thoughts about our stamp programme.

This was discussed in Committee the other week and I attach two copies of the minutes.

We realise we are very vulnerable about next year's issues, more particularly so as we have been riding on the crest of a wave which has included some best sellers such as the Jubilee, Definitive, (Coronation to come) etc. and next year we sort of come down to earth with a bump with more mundane issues.

1979

Maps & Charts

We are pressing the Design Committee and Ian Strange for quick action.

Mammals

Ian Strange says he can produce these fairly quickly.

Rowland Hill Centenary

We have some interest in this issue but before coming to a decision would like to know more about the proposals.

1980

Birds

Mr. Strange has made a proposal that we issue a series of bird stamps featuring a specific family of birds rather than a random selection. He envisages featuring raptors, then say geese, petrels, ducks, penguins and so on; up to ten different short sets could be produced.

/While we agree.....

While we agree in principle we have not entered into any firm commitment with Mr. Strange to produce the series. It could be that if Maps & Charts slipped too much we could insert a Bird issue.

Christmas Issue

We haven't lost sight of this and are having a look at the material collected to date with a view to coming up with something definite.

1981

Working Animals

We are appointing a Design Committee to firm up on ideas. We have had a suggestion that we should feature a sheep dog, horse, cow or steer, and a shorn sheep. We realise that we released a sheep farming issue several years ago but think we should have a shot at getting together some firm proposals.

Conservation

We seem to have got bogged down on this having asked the FCO about the use of the Panda symbol in an Endangered Species. We await a reply from the FCO; a reminder has been sent.

Seals

Your suggestion for a Seals issue has been noted as a possibility and will let you know about this.

Postmarks

We were thinking of featuring the older postmarks such as New Island, W.F.I. (West Falkland Islands) and possibly the really old ones going back to the first cork marks. However, we have a small committee looking at this and will let you know in due course.

1982

Fish

Although not ^{of} exotic colours like some that have been featured, the fish here will stand portraying, and if brilliant hues are not absolutely essential, then we can have a satisfactory set.

I'm afraid we shall have to leave this one to you to seek advice and prepare some designs. I'm not sure how we can help you but if you run into difficulties please write immediately and we will see what we can do to help.

Surveyors

Here again we shall need your assistance to research this. We were thinking of the people who surveyed the Falklands and not necessarily explorers. The standard ~~map~~ works on the Falklands should throw up plenty of names.

/Medical Services.....

Medical Services

We are having second thoughts about this and have decided to drop this.

1983

Founding of the Colony

In its infancy (not the Colony!) but we are gathering thoughts on this. This could really be a winner. We have thought that we could run a set of about 15 stamps for a year by taking off the Ship definitive and then bringing it back on sale later. However, these are no more than preliminary thoughts being tossed around.

Charles Darwin

Another good theme, which we will have to rely on you to research and put together ideas plus designs.

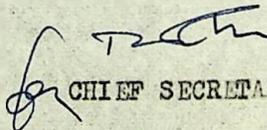
Kelp

Mr. Strange has promised designs by this week.

Wrecks

We are contemplating an issue featuring wrecks of which we seem to have our share. We could do this locally without bothering you too much..

Yours faithfully,


CHIEF SECRETARY

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7th April

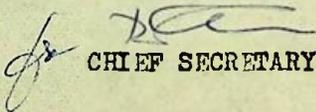
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Mr. I. Strange,
Stanley.

Dear Sir,

The Crown Agents have provided some more advice about artwork which I attach for information.

Yours faithfully,


CHIEF SECRETARY

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10th April

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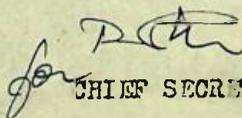
Mr. M. Vaughan,
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Dear Mike,

Centenary of First Mail Service

Further to my letter of 6th April I attach the speculative designs prepared by Mr. Cooter which I omitted to return.

Yours faithfully,


CHIEF SECRETARY

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PST/1/5 International Year of the Child Issue: Crown Agents to be informed that FIG are not interested.

PST/1/5 2.2 The Committee considered part of a letter from the Crown Agents dealing with the future stamp programme.

PST/1/5 2.2.1 Rowland Hill Centenary Issue: The Committee agreed that this could be a popular and appropriate Omnibus issue in which the Falkland Islands might participate. At this stage, however, it was judged sufficient to let the Crown Agents know of our potential interest and await their further proposals.

PST/1/5 2.2.3 Centenary of First Mail Service: The Committee judged this proposal, made by Major Spafford, as a non-starter: largely because it seemed incongruous to celebrate a centenary of the first mail service from 1880 when our current definitive mail ships issue goes back to 1842. Moreover, Mr Coote's designs and the whole concept of this issue had become supererogatory following the present definitive issue.

PST/1/5 2.2.4 Working Animals: The Committee welcomed Crown Agents' view that this could be a very good seller and it was decided that a special sub-committee under Mr Stephenson would meet to consider appropriate themes featuring a sheep, dog, horse, cow or steer, and the clipped sheep. This committee would include Mr W Hirtle, who submitted the idea originally.

PST/1/5 2.2.6 Postmark Issue: It was agreed that Mr Halliday should chair a design sub-committee to put forward ideas for this issue which could be very attractive to collectors with an interest in these Islands. There is plenty of evidence available based on Mr Andrews' definitive work on this subject, and the Chairman mentioned that his attention had recently been drawn to an appealing issue by another country on this theme.

PST/1/5 2.2.7 Fish: Despite the Crown Agents' implication that the fish of the South Atlantic are unattractive in appearance, the committee agreed that Crown Agents should be instructed to seek specialist advice and designs. The Committee felt that the appearance of the fish could be of no importance provided that they are clearly defined.

PST/1/5 2.2.8 Surveyors Issue: It was agreed that the Crown Agents should be asked to institute research into this issue, which is generally felt to be extremely worthwhile.

PST/1/5 2.2.9 Medical Services Issue: The Committee were agreed that the Crown Agents had gently, even indirectly, hinted that this would not be a very attractive issue and, as the Committee's interest in it was clearly waning, the project was dropped.

PST/1/5 2.2.10 Charles Darwin and the Beagle Issue: It was agreed that this issue should now be put to detailed research, since it is of the utmost importance and of great international interest.

PST/1/5 2.4 Wrecks Issue: The Chairman, with the help of Mr Halliday, drew the Committee's attention to the lively and active interest now being taken in our wrecks and suggested to the Committee that it might consider preparation of a short series by Mr John Smith which would be both very appropriate and of great appeal. Coinciding with an international interest in marine archeology, such an issue would be an attractive seller. But no decision was taken about this.

6 April

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M Vaughan Esq
Crown Agents Stamp Bureau
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Sutton Surrey

Dear Mike

YEAR OF THE CHILD

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Thank you for your letter of 20 October which gave us many good points to consider in committee.

2. As you have probably surmised we are a bit sensitive of the need to avoid any criticism of irrelevancy in our issues and for this reason did not want to participate in the Albrecht Durer Omnibus issue. For the same reason we do not feel we should have an issue featuring the Year of the Child.

3. I am sorry if this personally disappoints you, knowing your love of children, but there it is. I hope your children are all flourishing and enjoying some good spring weather.

DRM

D R Morrison

for Chief Secretary



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Chief Secretary
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FALKLAND ISLANDS

Our ref PH1B/FALK IS 7/22989

Your ref P&T/1/5

Date 4 April 1978

Dear Mr Massingham

FALKLAND ISLANDS "CENTENARY OF THE FIRST MAIL SERVICE 1980"

I would be interested to hear whether the four rough speculative designs forwarded under cover of my letter of the 16 February are being considered for a possible stamp issue in 1980.

Yours sincerely

M VAUGHAN

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You have replied to this, I believe
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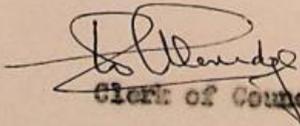
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2. Proposed Stamp Issue (2/78 - 10)

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Council was told that the Crown Agents had advised against the proposal for a special stamp issue to commemorate the 75th anniversary of the first flight by the Wright Brothers on grounds that two issues depicting aviation subjects were already planned for this year and that the subject did not meet the criteria for relevancy. The Administration did not, therefore, propose proceeding with this issue. Council concurred.


Clerk of Council

Enclosed to appropriate files

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to discuss
(but after 29/24 May)
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Crown Agents for Oversea Governments and Administrations

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Mr J Massingham
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Our ref PH1B/FALK IS.

Your ref P + T/1/5

Date 9 May 1978

Dear Mr Massingham

FALKLAND ISLANDS STAMP ISSUING PROGRAMME

I refer to your recent letter ⁽⁸⁷⁾ concerning your stamp issuing programme over the next five year period and, as you know, I have written to you under separate cover about various subjects proposed by you. However, I now set out below our comments regarding certain themes under discussion by your Committees.

2. BIRDS

Most odd
we havent
been asked
what happen
to Dunman
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You may wish to note we are considering Birds as the theme for the New South George definitive issue, planned for release in 1980, although we have not as yet made this proposal to the High Commissioner of British Antarctic territory. Our idea is to use sketches of Birds drawn by ornithologists and naturalists visiting Antarctica.

We consider this would be both an original and interesting approach. This does not obviate your own plan to release a Birds set because there is no reason to suppose one would jeopardise the success of the other.

✓ Basically, we believe your idea is a sound one; by featuring families of Falkland Islands birds in a series of sets you could arouse a great deal of interest and at the same time have a potential good seller. Birds are generally a popular philatelic theme and very appropriate to the natural history of the Islands.

3. CHRISTMAS ISSUE:

Will we drop?

I understand it is your intention to use Christmas drawings made by Falkland Island school children. However, it is as well to point out that recent sets featuring childrens' art on stamps have had very disappointing results in the market and as a theme is considered to be somewhat hackneyed.

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To Mr J Massingham

Date 9 May 1978

I would also add that 'Christmas' is a risky subject. As we advised in our letter of 9 February, Christmas issues can be extremely successful but trends are fickle, and at the present time they would seem to indicate Christmas is a chancy proposition.

4. POSTMARKS

I see you are thinking of illustrating Falkland Islands postmarks and await news of your design idea. However, you may like to note one theme currently being considered for the Rowland Mill set is postmarks. I will be writing to you shortly about this omnibus issue with full details of our design subjects so perhaps you can hold your decision until then.

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WRECKS

We await your committee's advice before making comment.

I hope my observations prove to be useful to you and your stamp committees in determining your stamp issuing programme. Meanwhile, I will continue to research material for those themes discussed in recent previous communications.

Yours sincerely
Brian Hawthorne

B J HAWTHORNE

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30th May

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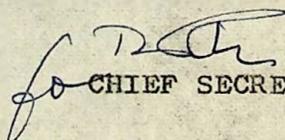
Mr. B. J. Hawthorne,
Crown Agents Stamp Bureau,
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Surrey, SM1 1EL.

Dear Brian,

Thank you for your helpful letter ⁹¹⁶ of 9th May,
reference PH1B/FALK IS.

We are a bit concerned about your reference to a
Birds issue for South Georgia as a definitive issue. If
you refer to our letter SG/2/4 of 6th May 1977 to Mr.
B. A. R. Taylor you will see that our decision was for
an issue of historical interest or failing that a pictorial
issue. As far as we are concerned the matter has rested
with the decision made in 1977 and your recent letter came
as a surprise. Perhaps you would let me know what has
happened to our decision made last year.

Yours faithfully,


CHIEF SECRETARY

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