

## SECRETARIAT

0032/11

(Formerly)

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Closed

SUPPLY OF GOVERNMENT PEAT (Fuel and COAL) <sup>including oil</sup>

## CONNECTED FILES.

## NUMBER

137/24

Allocation of Peat Banks to Stanley  
Householders.

233/46

Grant of Peat Allowance to Govt. officials.

1482

Peat Haulage.



<u>Season.</u>	<u>Quantity Cut.</u>	<u>Total Cost.</u>
1959/60	13583 yds.	£2,955.
1960/61	13225 yds	£3,198.
1961/62	12518 yds.	£3,522.
1962/63	8319 yds.	£2,263.

Peat Carted September 1961 - August, 1962.

	<u>Half Year.</u>	<u>Full Year.</u>	<u>Loads.</u>
Government House	700	1276	= 58
Government House Servants.	460	792	= 36
Senior & Junior Schools.	1280	1738	= 79
P.W.D. Yard.	360	748	= 34
W/T Station.	600	1122	= 51
F.I.D.F.	660	1232	= 56
Police Station	700	132	= 6
Radio Sonde	100	110	= 5
Sold to Officers.	350	1936	= 88
Gaol Furnace		1144	= 52
On Loan		616	= 28
	5210	10846	= 493
Peat Carted to Army Camp and Issued 1962/63.		2024	= 92
TOTAL	5210	12870	= 585
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MEMORANDUM

requested  
my refer-  
is memo-  
he above  
and date  
quoted.

16th March, 1963.

To: The Honourable,

The Colonial Secretary,

STANLEY.

From: Superintendent of Works,  
P.W.D.

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

SUBJECT :-

Peat.

As spoken, B. Minnell and F. Smith are long overdue with the return of loaned peat, 2 loads 11/9/61 and 1 load 12/11/60 respectively.

The last notice was sent to them on the 16th November, 1962, with no results.

I suggest that a note threatening court action should be sent them.

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*I have gone into this*

*Minnell is calling me  
it will probably help*

*R. Picton.*  
Supt. of Works.

*to be measured and*

*elements of logfire in each glen.*

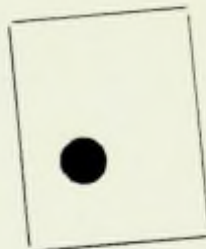
*Smith is now at P.W.D. will offer to transport it*

*BW 17.4.63*

*PRV 20/12/62*



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bu. <sup>17.</sup> <sup>4</sup> ~~5~~ ~~5~~ 63

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Loan of Peat from P.W.D.

Minto speaks. He says he hopes to go to the Camp in a few weeks and if he does so he will pay back all his peat before going. If he does not go he will need the peat he now has to tide him through the winter and asks that he be allowed to pay it back next season. It is difficult to do much about this now and I myself would have no objection to this provided that he starts at the very beginning of the season and cuts and sets apart the peat owed to Government before anything else but I do not know what SPW thinks as I have only heard Minto's version.

SPW for observations please.

*or.*

RHDW/IM  
2.4.63.

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Hon Col Sec.

Minto has had ample time to return this peat, but if he has not got any then there is not much we can do about it.

*R. Picton*  
Supt. of Works.  
4th April, 1963.

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To Minto and 6/6

no 11/4.

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OPEN by cutting Label

3<sup>rd</sup> April,

63.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to your recent interview in which you stated that you would know in a few days whether you were going to the Camp or not and that if you were you would pay back the post you owed now.

2. Please let me know the present position.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

(Sgd.) E.H.D. Manders

for COLONIAL SECRETARY.

Mr. L. Minto,  
STANLEY.

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Minto Stanley, Donald Minto  
~~now~~ But got up for  
BU. Tuesday week

RHDM/IM.

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He is now employed with  
Jack Barnes on the Town Hall Contract 13/4/63  
1.5.63

BU 30  
23.4.63

BU 4.63  
(278)



NFA ~~as before~~ W in Kap 2 to SPW  
on 15/63.

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29 October,

63.

To: Superintendent of Works,

From: Acting Colonial Secretary,

STANLEY.

PEAT CUTTING AND RICKLING

This is to confirm that during the hours between 7.30 a.m. and 4.30 p.m. Mondays to Fridays and 7.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. on Saturdays men engaged in cutting and rickling peat are to receive a bonus of 3d per hour in recognition of the cost of living awards since the peat rates were last revised.

(Sgd) L. Gleadell.

ACTING COLONIAL SECRETARY

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LCG/FH

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HCT

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SPE D al 54 of 1769 has referred to  
 40/12 of 0032. He states that his state of  
 affairs seems to have continued ever since and  
 that according to our accounts it would appear  
 that we are accumulating vast stocks piles of  
 fuel. But presumably this is not in fact so  
 and our accounts are wrong  
 as he is an accounting question perhaps you would like  
 to look into it  
 4/6/63.

H.C.S.

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12,518 yards cost £3,522, excluding heat  
 Officer salary; 1 yard costs 58.

Approximately 12870 yards were moved in  
 585 loads,  $\therefore$  1 load amounts to 22 yards  
 on an average.

1 load should be worth £6. 4. 8 but  
 we are only charging £4.

A.P.E.'s figures are incorrect - please  
 see attached statement.

280

L.C.

283

14. 5. 63

SPW. Do you agree that a  
 load (presumably of 16 large lorries) is 22 yards  
 and should be charged accordingly?

8/10/63



284

Hon. Col. Sec.

I hardly think we can charge the extra to Government Officers, B.A.S. girls and school teachers, as 85% of the loads are supplied to the various Government buildings. The 15% to others we cannot guarantee there are 22 yds to the load owing to the various types of peat and as it is such a small percentage I can't see that it will be such a great loss to Government. Not all loads are carted by the sixwheeler but we still charge the same price.

D. P. P. P.

Supt. of Works.  
17th May, 1963.

SPW have no <sup>285</sup> objection desire to put up

to hire for Government Officers if you are satisfied that they are being charged a reasonably fair price.

But I do think that your staff should take reasonable precautions to ensure either that all loads are roughly equal or that if they are not one is charged by the amount of peat one actually gets.

5/15/63

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Hon Col Sec.

I consider what we are charging to be a fair price. It is impossible to measure the peat accurately owing to the various types we haul and can say that Government is losing nothing in the deal.

D. P. P. P.  
Supt. of Works.  
20.5.63<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>

See NPA

22/5/64

Hon C.T.

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to make pl.

23.5.63

H.C.S.

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Notes, Thank you.

L.C.

25.5.63

or

for



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## MEMORANDUM

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4th January 19 64

To: The Colonial Secretary,

Stanley.

From: Acting Superintendent of Works, P.W.D.

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

SUBJECT:- Revised Peat rates.

Following the increase of 6d per hour to hourly paid workers and after enquiries from our peat workers I wish to submit the following revised rates for this seasons peat. The rates are calculated on a 12.76% increase. I would appreciate if an early reply can be given to enable the new rates to be paid this week.

	<u>Present Rates.</u>	<u>Proposed Revised rates.</u>
Rickling.	7d.	7½d.
Throwing Out.	10d.	11d.
Stacking on Banks.	9½d.	10d.

K. B. Eastwood

Ag. Supt. of Works.

Reply at 303

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A.C.T. for  
Comments.

W, 4.1.65

A. L.

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The proposed rates appear to be reasonable and I recommend they be approved.

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4.1.65

✓ 302

approved

W.

5/1/65

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28th September, 64.

To: Superintendent of Works,

From: The Colonial Secretary,

STANLEY.

Payment for Peat Cutting

I refer to our recent discussions and confirm that it will be in order to pay 1/8<sup>th</sup> per cubic yard for cutting Government 'throwing' banks.

The above increase is awarded to offset cost of living payments which will now cease.

(Sgd) H. L. Bound.

for COLONIAL SECRETARY

HLB/FA

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## MEMORANDUM

30th September 1964

To: The Honourable,

The Colonial Secretary,

Stanley.

From: Superintendent of Works, P.W.D.

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

SUBJECT :- Rates for Government Peat 1964/65 season.

Following the increase of  $1\frac{3}{4}$ d per cubic yard for cutting Government Peat the rates for rickling etc have been increased accordingly and a list of the proposed rates for the 1964/65 season are submitted for approval. All rates are for cubic yards.

	<u>1963/64</u>	<u>1964/65</u>
Cutting & Wheeling, using own barrow,	$1/10\frac{1}{2}$ d	$2/-\frac{1}{4}$ d
Cutting & Wheeling, using Govt. barrow.	$1/10$ d	$1/11\frac{3}{4}$ d
New banks, first yard only, Cutting & Throwing.	$1/9$ d	$1/10\frac{3}{4}$ d.
Cutting & Throwing.	$1/7$ d	$1/8\frac{3}{4}$ d
Rickling.	$6\frac{1}{4}$ d	$6\frac{3}{4}$ d
Throwing out.	$9$ d	$10$ d
Stacking on Banks.	$8\frac{1}{2}$ d	$9\frac{1}{4}$ d

*R. Puckton*  
Supt. of Works.

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MEMORANDUM

2nd October 1964

To; The Honourable,

The Colonial Secretary,

Stanley.

From: Superintendent of Works, P.W.D.

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

SUBJECT:- Rates for Government Peat 1964/65 season.

291 With reference to my Memorandum of 30th September and due to the Cost of Living award of another one penny per hour I wish to submit the following revised rates for approval.

Cutting & Wheeling, using own barrow.	2/-½d. per cubic yard
Cutting & Wheeling, using Govt. barrow.	2/-d. " " "
New banks, first yard only, Cutting & Throwing.	1/11d. " " "
X Cutting & Throwing.	1/9d. " " "
Rickling.	7d. " " "
Throwing Out.	10d. " " "
Stacking on Banks.	9½d. " " "

*P. P. P.*  
Supt. of Works.

Reply at 295

Agc.T.

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291-292 Have you any comment pl?

*[Signature]* 6.10.64

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The s. s.

The revised rates appear to be reasonable.

*[Signature]*  
6.10.64

*[Signature]*  
B.10.64



8th October, 64.

To: Superintendent of Works,

From: The Colonial Secretary,

STANLEY.PEAT RATES

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I refer to your memorandum of the 2nd of October, 1964, and confirm that the following rates may be paid for peat work.

Cutting and wheeling, using own barrow	2/-½d per cubic yard
Cutting and wheeling, using Government barrow	2/-d per cubic yard
New banks, first yard only, cutting and throwing	1/11d per cubic yard
Cutting and throwing	1/9d per cubic yard
Rickling	7d per cubic yard
Throwing out	10d per cubic yard
Stacking on banks	9¼d per cubic yard

(Sgd) H. L. Bound.

for COLONIAL SECRETARY

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MEMORANDUM

15th December, 1964.

To: The Colonial Secretary,

STANLEY.

From: Superintendent of Works,  
P.W.D.

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

SUBJECT :-

Re, Peat Opening Up.

The Peat Officer, Mr H. Rowlands and myself talked over rates for the above and reached the conclusion that 2/2d a yard was not an extortionate demand.

Would you give formal approval to the paying of the above sum.

*J. Heardmoor.*

Ag. Supt. of Works.

*297*  
*Reply at 298*

*Reply.*

*297*  
*Approved.*

*S.*

*21.12.64*



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21st December, 64.

To: Superintendent of Works,

From: The Colonial Secretary,

STANLEY.

Peat Opening Up

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I refer to your memorandum of the 15th December, 1964, and have to inform you that the rate of 2/2d per yard has been approved.

(Sgd) H. L. Bound.

for COLONIAL SECRETARY

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4th January, 65.

To: Officer in Charge,  
From: Colonial Secretary, Public Works Department,

STANLEY.

Loan of peat to Mr. P.C. Trevelyan.

This is to confirm that Mr. P. C. Trevelyan may be loaned 120 cubic yards of peat on the understanding that the peat is returned to the Public Works Department not latter than 31st December, 1966.

Please obtain Mr. Trevelyan's acceptance to this in writing.

Sgd. H.L. Sound  
for COLONIAL SECRETARY

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5th January,

65.

To: Superintendent of Works,

From: Colonial Secretary,

STANLEY.

Revised Peat Rates.

299 I refer to your Memorandum of the 4th January and confirm that the following peat rates may be paid:-

Rickling	7½d. per cubic yard.
Throwing out	11d. per cubic yard.
Stacking on banks	10d. per cubic yard.

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copy sent to Treasury.

*D. P. H. H. H.*  
for COLONIAL SECRETARY.

*PAA*

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# MEMORANDUM

15th January, 1965.

To: The Colonial Secretary,

STANLEY.

From: The Ag. Supt. of Works,  
P.W.D.

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

SUBJECT :-

Peat.

X Further to our conversation this a.m. regarding authority to cart peat to Mr. M. Evans's house, the authorisation was given by Mr. Picton on instructions from you, because of the reason of staying Mr. Evans's local leave, for an emergency at Darwin School.

There was a memo to the effect, left here by Mr. Picton that the peat was to be supplied. Which I cannot put my hands on.

XX Would you please give authority also, for issuing peat to The Marine Detachment which is becoming excessive (3 loads to date).

X Approved

R Beardmore

Ag. Supt. of Works.

XX " in repayment.

W.I.

Reply at 305 for X



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18th January, 65.

To: Ag. Superintendent of Works,

From: Colonial Secretary,

STANLEY.

Issue of Government Peat.

I refer to our conversation of this afternoon and confirm that authority is given to issue Mr. H. E. Evans up to 150 cubic yards of peat on the understanding that the peat will be replaced to Government during the summer of 1965/66.

(Sgd.) H. L. Bound

for COLONIAL SECRETARY.

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## MEMORANDUM

23rd January, 1965.

To: The Colonial Secretary,

STANLEY.

From: Ag. Supt. of Works, P.W.D.

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

SUBJECT :-

Peat Hauling

Please consider this application for re-grading for Peat Hauling, the grade was arrived at of 3<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>d per yard of peat in January, 1958 and is still the same today.

The Carters are asking for the new rates to be 5d for P.E's. 3d for mates and stackers, to be more comparable.

Ag. Supt. of Works.

Reply at 309

Spoken ac!.  
after high  
W. 30/1/65

attach 1636/R.pl

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28th January,

65.

To: AG. Superintendent of Works,

From: Colonial Secretary,

STANLEY.

Issue of Government Peat.

304 I refer to my memorandum of the 18th January, 1965 and have to advise you that further consideration has been given to Mr. Evans' case and you are now authorised to supply the 150 cubic yards against cash payment at the usual Government rates.

Sgd. HLR  
for COLONIAL SECRETARY.

HLB/TB.

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b. d.,

Letter 306 - a draft memo. to Dept of Labor  
concerning the approval of the new rules for established heavy  
drives for hauling part is submitted for consideration.

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4th February, 65.

To: Superintendent of Works,

From: The Colonial Secretary,

STANLEY.

Piecework Rates - Peat Hauling

306 I refer to your memorandum of 23rd January, 1965, and your discussion with the Acting Colonial Treasurer on the subject of peat hauling rates and confirm the approval given for the following rates to be paid to established lorry drivers:-

Overtime at the rate of time and a half of  
the Labourers basic hourly rate plus  $\frac{3}{4}$ rd  
per yard of peat.

The rates for hourly paid employees, engaged on hauling peat, are to remain unchanged.

(Sgd.) W.H. Thompson

Copy to: Treasury

COLONIAL SECRETARY

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Stanley Baker

46 John Street

13/7/65

Dear Sir

Thank you for your letter about Peat but I was advised to try Gov for Peat as the peat they had was for old people that had no peat & could not get it home so I did, as I know people have had the loan of peat from Gov at times & replace it, & one I know as had peat a few times, & expected to replace it & it has never been replaced or paid for & a young man too lazy to cut his own but me a Widow of 78 years of age gets no help in this place & I belong to the Islands, it's pretty hard as I always pay for anything I get if I only get my large sum of 18 shillings from Gov & John as plenty peat cut he is not lazy thanking you

I remain yours Truly E J Stewart



No. PWD 010MEMORANDUM

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14th July, 1965.

To: The Colonial Secretary,STANLEY.From: Ag. Supt. of Works, P.W.D.

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

SUBJECT :-

Peat Supply.

Would you please give a final decision, to the lady concerned in note attached re, peat.

My answer to daily requests to peat carting, is for them to apply to the local peat carters.

Our own Peat stocks would be completely cleared, if we filled Government House peat-shed alone.

*W D Beardmore*

Ag. Supt. of Works.

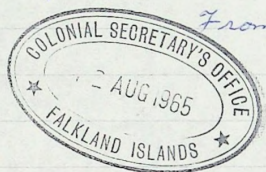
D. Wallace Peat { Nov 1962 paid for  
Oct 1963 returned

Port Stanley  
46 John Street

12/8/65

To the  
Colonial Secretary

From Mrs E Stewart



£ 15/8

Dear Sir

I wrote to Gov a few weeks ago to see if they would loan me a couple of loads of peat or sell it to me, I would replace it in the spring I have no peat, my peat is on the Hill but they cannot get at it to bring it home

I got the reply to say Government are not in the position to either loan or sell peat, I know of some have had the loan several times & one is D. Wallace & it as never been replaced or paid for I wonder why him in his Twenties & to buy or sold to cut peat or do his Garden for his Family, should get help, I a Widow & have no body to do anything for me at the age of 78 years only my Boarder is good enough to cut my peat for me, & I have been under the Br since December, & just now I have no peat at all, I buy a bit of Coal & that is pretty expensive for me, I think I could get a little help, when I see others that dont belong to the Islands gets it

Thanking you I remain

yours Truly Mrs E Stewart

Reply at 312



16th August, 1965.

Dear Mrs. Stewart,

I am extremely sorry Government is not in a position to help you, but I am hoping to have a meeting with various interested people to examine the problem and plan for the future.

I am afraid you are incorrect in saying that Mr. Wallace has received peat several times, our records show that only twice, once in 1962, and once in 1963, was any supplied and once it was paid for and once returned. Government has helped whenever it could, but this year we have no spare stock at all.

Yours faithfully,

(W.H. THOMPSON)

Mrs. E.J. Stewart,  
STANLEY.

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# BRITISH ANTARCTIC SURVEY

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## MEMORANDUM.

Please quote in reply

No. S/78A



26th August, 1965.

The Honourable Colonial Secretary,

Secretariat,

O.I.C., B.A.S.,

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

SUBJECT:—

PEAT

The Survey has a forecaster arriving in September and a London H.Q. representative, both of whom will require fuel for the remainder of the year at least.

At the moment the Survey has three families serving in Stanley who arrived outside of the peat-cutting season. All three families are down to bare stocks of fuel and one at least is limited to paraffin burners for house heating.

In the past the fuel requirements for winter arrivals have always been met from the Government stocks. Mr. Pictou was told, unfortunately verbally, how many houses fuel would be required for, and it was assumed that the total Government peat cut included the B.A.S. requirements. This does not seem so and we have been refused the privilege of purchasing peat for the necessary arrivals. Could this situation be reviewed to the possibility of at least two lorry loads of peat being supplied to those families needing it at the moment, plus the H.Q. representative (who will be living in one of the Barrack Street Flats), and at least three loads for the new forecaster arriving in September.

Regarding the future, could B.A.S. continue to inform the Government of the amount of peat required during the forthcoming year and have this included in the general Government stocks cut during the season and available for purchase when required.

Should this procedure not be possible our only alternative is to hire out to tender, for which special financial arrangements will have to be made and storage space found.

E. C. J. Clapp  
O.I.C., B.A.S., Psy.

Reply at 314



Port Stanley

46 John Street

27/8/65



Dear Sir

when I tried for peat, one person said they were sure I would get it as the peat was kept for old people that had no peat & could not get it home I am one of them, but did not get any. but since then I have been told about a load going to the Carpenter shop. for work men to have a good fire in & yarn & toast their Bread for Breakfast, I don't think there is need for that, one lad passed the remark that I tried for peat but could not get it, one spoke up & said if she gets it every body will want it.

I think she as they say is more in need of it than work men in their twenties, years ago our old people had to work hard & no fire to work by & very little pay, these get as much in one day as our old people got in a week & no hard work, will soon be going away with a goat pocket full to have a good time, & me I get 18 shillings a week from Government & pay same prices as every body else, & I get no help, no peat & the weather is not any better & I am bad with Flu, & a very bad back as well & no peat, after all it is us old people that has helped to make the place what it is but the F. I don't seem to get anything today, years ago every body built their own houses, & got on better & quicker than they do today, as I say I have nobody to do for me only one Boarder, & if there is no spare stocks in Gov I think work men could do without a fire, those that have to work out side get no fire to work by, I am afraid we hear lots of things that make old people very cross at times

I remain yours Faithfully M<sup>rs</sup> C J Stewart

BU 89 65



30th August,

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To: Officer-in-Charge,  
From: The Colonial Secretary,  
B.A.S. Office,  
Stanley.

Peat

I regret Government is not in a position to help out with peat for what is now an extended British Antarctic Survey.

You will recall my many warnings about this, and when extra houses were first mentioned I made it clear that B.A.S. would have to plan well ahead.

Last year I suggested to your Supplies Officer that you should import Chilean coal, which, at \$4 per ton landed, is extremely good value, and by so doing solving your fuel problem and making a contribution to what is fast becoming a major problem, the labour and transport situation.

I cannot accept that you have been refused the privilege of purchasing peat for necessary new arrivals. A privilege can only be a privilege when there are the necessary means to back it, and on at least a dozen occasions I have explained the situation to you and I have always given help where it has been possible.

If it is of any help I will let you have two tons of coal, which is my personal property, on a replacement basis.

As for next season I cannot see any real hope of Government obtaining sufficient peat for itself; let alone anyone else. The idea of a self sufficient B.A.S. based on Chilean coal is strongly recommended for your consideration.

(W.H. THOMPSON)

COLONIAL SECRETARY

Copy to: H.E. the Governor

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## MEMORANDUM

1st September 1965

To: The Colonial Secretary,  
Stanley.

From: Acting Superintendent of Works

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

SUBJECT:- Revised Peat Rates.

I wish to forward for approval the proposed rates for Peat work during the coming season.

Since the peat cutting rates have been revised, hourly wages have gone up 6d per hour. The rates for other peat work were increased in January and therefore remain the same.

	Rate in <u>Oct. 1964.</u>	Rate in <u>Jan. 1965.</u>	Proposed rate <u>1965/66</u>
Cutting and Wheeling, using own barrow.	2/-½	---	2/3¼
Cutting and wheeling, using Govt. barrow.	2/-	---	2/2¾
New Banks, first yard only, Cutting and throwing.	2/2	---	2/5¼
Cutting and Throwing.	1/9	---	1/11¾ 2½
Rickling.	7d	7½d	7½d
Throwing Out.	10d	11d	11d
Stacking on banks.	9¼d	10d	10d.

In October 1964 the hourly rate was 3/11d = £8. 16. 3d. per week and to get a weeks pay a man had to cut 101 yards @ 1/9d. = £8. 16. 9d. 101 yards at 1/11¾d = £9. 19. 10¾d.

The cost of peat for 1964/65 was £3,045 and we have provision in the 1965/66 estimates for £3,600 which it is considered should be adequate.

*G. G. G. G.*  
for Ag. Supt. of Works.

Reply at 318

No. PWD 010

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## MEMORANDUM

7th September, 19 65

To: The Colonial Secretary,

Stanley.

From: Acting Superintendent of Works.

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

SUBJECT:- Appointment of Temporary Peat Officer.

I have the honour to recommend that authority be given for the temporary appointment as Peat Officer on hourly pay of Mr. R. Pauloni until the return from leave of Mr. Browning.

This is now necessary as the peat season is almost upon us and we have already had requests for the allocation of new banks.

*D. Beadmore*

Ag. Supt. of Works.

Reply at 319

KIU 315



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13th September, 65.

To: The Ag. Superintendent of Works,

From: Colonial Secretary,

STANLEY.

Revised Peat Rates.

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The rates set out in your memo of the 1st September, 1965 are approved, subject to a re-examination of that for cutting and throwing which appears to be in excess of the other items. The increase should surely be  $2\frac{1}{2}$ d?

This is a minor point, but it does keep the increases even throughout.

(Sgd.) W. H. Thompson

COLONIAL SECRETARY

Reply at 321

0032/II

13th September, 65.

To: Ag. Superintendent of Works,

From: Colonial Secretary,

STANLEY.

Appointment of Temporary Peat Officer.

317 Your memo PWD 010 of the 7th September, 1965.

Approved. I am assuming this is not a full time appointment.

(Sgd.) W. H. Thompson

COLONIAL SECRETARY



13th September, 65.

Dear Sir,

Government Peat Cutters Rates 1965/66 Season.

As discussed with you the following rates will apply:

	<u>Rate in</u> <u>Oct. 1964.</u>	<u>Rate in</u> <u>Jan. 1965</u>	<u>Proposed</u> <u>rate 1965/66.</u>
Cutting and Wheeling, using own barrow.	2/-½	---	2/3½
Cutting and wheeling, using Govt. barrow.	2/-	---	2/2½
New banks, first yard only, cutting and throwing.	2/2	---	2/5½
Cutting and throwing.	1/9	---	1/11½
Rickling.	7d.	7½d.	7½d.
Throwing out.	10d.	11d.	11d.
Stacking on banks.	9½d.	10d.	10d.

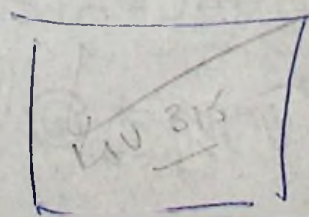
Yours faithfully,

(Sgd.) W. H. Thompson

COLONIAL SECRETARY.

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

TB



No. PWD 010

It is requested that, any reference to this memorandum the above number and date should be quoted.



## MEMORANDUM

14th September 1965

To: The Colonial Secretary,  
Stanley.

From: Acting Superintendent of Works

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

SUBJECT:- Revised Peat Rates.

318 With reference to your Memo 0032/II I do not consider the increase of  $2\frac{3}{4}d$  to  $1/11\frac{3}{4}d$  per yard to be excessive but if you consider we should only increase the rate by  $2\frac{1}{2}d$  I will be glad to amend the proposed rate to  $1/11\frac{1}{2}d$  per yard.

*A. Beadmore*

Ag. Supt. of Works.

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*Spw. Please amend to*

*1/11 1/2d.*

*W. 14/9*



Col, Sec, 323

Noted 16/9/65

AT A/S.P.W.

KIV 315

AT 324

To note 321-322 fl

*[Signature]*

17.9.65

A.S., 325

notes, that you

AM  
18.9.65

*[Signature]*

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Public Works Department,  
Stanley, Falkland Islands.

25th September 1965

GOVERNMENT PEAT.

The following are the conditions and rates for Peat Cutting etc for the 1965/66 season.

1. The Peat is to be cut, thrown and wheeled as necessary, in places designated by the Superintendent of Works, or the Officer delegated by him.
2. The surface of the ground to a depth of three inches is to be properly cleared and the existing walls of peat cuttings are to be cut away before measurements are computed.
3. The sods are to be properly cut and to be 9" x 9" x 6" or less. Any peat cut in excess of this size will not be paid for and the bank will not be measured.
4. Rates.

Cutting and Wheeling, using own barrow.	2/3d per cubic yard.
Cutting and Wheeling, using Govt. barrow.	2/2d per cubic yard.
New Banks, first yard only, cutting and Throwing.	2/5d per cubic yard.
Cutting and Throwing.	1/11d per cubic yard.
Rickling.	7d per cubic yard.
Throwing out.	11d per cubic yard.
Stacking on Banks.	10d per cubic yard.
5. Alternative employment will be found at the usual hourly rates when, in the opinion of the Peat Officer, weather conditions are unfavourable for peat cutting.
6. On banks on which peat is thrown down, a space of at least three feet is to be left clear.
7. Any Person leaving the Peat Hut without the Peat Officers permission, will loose all wet time pay for that day.

*D Beadmore*

Ag. Supt. of Works.



7th December, 65.

From: Colonial Secretary,

To: The Superintendent of Works,

STANLEY.LH  
14/12Government Peat Cutting.

In accordance with Government practice of investigating accounts and financial items, such as is done by checks without warning on the Treasury and Post Office, it has been decided to investigate peat cutting, and the value of work done in return for money expended.

To this end the following Committee has been appointed to investigate and report back as soon as possible:

W. J. Grierson, Esq., M.B.E.	(Customs & Harbour)
T. J. Carey, Esq.,	(Power Station)
J. S. Smith, Esq.,	(Stores)

## Terms of reference are:

"To examine the terms of the contract under which peat is cut, rickled, stacked etc. and report whether they are drawn up in a manner giving adequate security to both parties:

To examine the records relating to the production of the peat supply (i.e. details of performances by each contractor and where, when and what he did) and report whether they provide an account of adequate supervision:

To examine the records relating to the distribution of peat and report whether the system provides adequate protection for the public purse:

To examine the methods employed in producing the peat supply and report whether a different method would result in

- (a) a more satisfactory supply;
- (b) a cheaper supply.

In carrying out your examinations you are authorised to seek information from any employee whose duties are concerned with the peat supply. You may, if you consider it necessary, make on-the-spot examinations in the peat deposit areas."

W. H. T.

COLONIAL SECRETARY.



7th December,

65.

Dear Sir,

Government Peat Cutting.

See 827  
The following letter has been issued to the Superintendent of Public Works:

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The officers concerned are accordingly appointed, and the terms of reference duly applied.

Yours faithfully,

(Sgd.) W. H. Thompson

Mr. W. Grierson, M.B.E.,  
Mr. T. J. Carey, u.f.s. S.P.E.

Mr. J. S. Smith, u.f.s. Supplies Officer, PWD

STANLEY.

Copies to: S.P.E. & Supplies Officer PWD.



Stanley,

14th December, 1965.

4/6

Dear Sir,

Government Peat Cutting.

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In accordance with your letter Reference 0032/11 of the 7th December, 1965 we have carried out an investigation of peat cutting and report as follows:-

1. No contracts of any description are drawn up in connection with Peat Cutting. A Public Works Notice is posted giving details of conditions and rates for the season (Attached).
2. We have examined what few records are available relating to the production of peat for the 1964/65 season and the 1965/66 season. For the present season Government employed nine peat cutters and according to records they cut 11,386 cubic yards (See Table 1.) From observations made on-the-spot it is most obvious there has been little or no supervision over this seasons supply of peat and we strongly recommend that all work on Government peat be stopped immediately. All peat banks should be re-measured and throwing out, stacking and carting be paid on the new measurements. We doubt very much if this seasons peat output will exceed 7,600 cubic yards. Several peat banks were examined with the Peat Officer (L. Browning) in attendance and no banks were cut to the required cubic yard, on an average banks have been cut at 2' 3" in depth and 2' 6" wide. One bank known as the Dump Bank was measured, we found this bank to be 105 yards long 1' 6" deep and 2' 3" wide. According to the Peat Officer there should be 210 cubic yards, one yard thrown up and one yard thrown down, in actual fact there is only 78.75 yards of peat cut in this bank. This peat was cut without the top sod removed and sods measured anything from 9" x 9" x 12" upwards. The Committee is of the opinion that paragraph 3 of the Public Works Notice should have been brought into force and Government should have refused payment. For information we give below details of three banks, which we have examined.

Dump Bank. 105 yards long - yard up and yard down makes 210 cubic yards. Measurements prove beyond doubt 210 yards cut at 1' 6" deep and 2' 3" wide.

$$\frac{210}{1} \times \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{3}{4} = 78.75 \text{ cubic yards.}$$

Cutter received 210 yards @ 1/11½d	£20.	1s.	3d.
Say 79 yards @ 1/11½d	7.	14s.	8½d.
Overpaid	£12.	16s.	6½d.

Long Bank. Length quoted by the Peat Officer as 560 cubic yards. Cut at 2' 3" deep and 2' 6" wide.

$$\frac{560}{1} \times \frac{3}{4} \times \frac{5}{6} = 350 \text{ cubic Yards.}$$

Cutter paid for 560 yards @ 1/11½d	£54. 16s. 8d.
Actual peat cut 350 yards @ 1/11½d	<u>34. 5s. 5d.</u>
Overpaid	<u>£20. 11s. 3d.</u>

Fence Bank. Length quoted by Peat Officer as 124 yards. Cut at 2' 3" deep and 2' 6" wide.

$$\frac{124}{1} \times \frac{3}{4} \times \frac{5}{6} = 77.5 \text{ cubic yards.}$$

Cutter paid for 124 yards @ 1/11½d	£12. 2s. 10d.
Actual peat cut say 78 cubic yards @ 1/11½d	<u>7. 12s. 9d.</u>
Overpaid	<u>£ 4. 10s. 1d.</u>

3. Distribution. There are no proper records kept of peat distribution other than peat sold to select people. It is therefore impossible to check against the amount of peat cut and the amount distributed in any one season.

Peat sold at £4 per lorry load which includes in most cases stacking it into peat sheds. We estimated a lorry load at 18 cubic yards, (this of course will differ according to the class of peat) and we consider that Government are not covering expenses at this price. Our findings are based on the calculations shown below:-

(i) Peat from New Banks, first cubic yards opened.

Cutting 18 cubic yards @ 2/5½	... ..	£2. 3s. 10½d.
Rickling 18 cubic yards @ 7½d.	... ..	11s. 3
Lorry Drivers wages say one hour per load	... ..	6s. 7½
Lorry Drivers Mate say one hour per load	... ..	4s. 5.
Two men stacking into shed ½ hour each @ 4/5 p.h.	... ..	4s. 5
Petrol estimated one gallon per load	... ..	2s. 11
Bonus paid to 4 men	... ..	<u>14s. 0</u>
Cost per load		<u>£4. 7s. 6d.</u>

(ii) Peat from throwing out Bank.

Cutting 18 cubic yards @ 1/11½	... ..	£1. 15s. 3d.
Rickling 18 cubic yards @ 7½d.	... ..	11s. 3d.
Throwing out @ 11d per yard	... ..	16s. 6d.
Wages for Lorry Driver & Mate etc..	... ..	15s. 5½
Petrol & Bonus	... ..	<u>16s. 11</u>
Cost per load.		<u>£4. 15s. 4d ½</u>

(iii) Peat from Ordinary Banks.

Cutting 18 cubic yards @ 1/11½ per yard	... ..	£1. 15s. 3d.
Rickling " " " " 7½d per yard	... ..	11s. 3d.
Lorry Driver, Mate etc.	... ..	<u>£1. 12s. 4½</u>
Cost per load		<u>3. 18s. 10½</u>



4. Methods suggested to improve the peat supply.

- (1). Contracts to be drawn up and signed which would give adequate security to both parties, and give more authority to the Peat Officer.
- (2) Stricter supervision is required over all peat cutters by the Superintendent of Works as well as the Peat Officer
- (3) Proper records should be kept showing quantities of peat cut in each bank, and also complete record of how the season peat is distributed.
- (4) The present peat distribution list of people receiving peat should be looked into and revised.
- (5) We understand that it is very difficult to obtain peat cutters willing to cut and wheel peat, but every encouragement should be given to make use of the many wheeling banks held by Government.

5. In conclusion we consider it our duty to point out that for almost all of this peat season the Peat Officer, Mr. L. Browning was absent on vacation leave and the cutting of the peat did not come under his supervision.

Yours faithfully

L. J. G. G. G.

L. J. G. G.

J. L. Smith

Committee  
appointed  
to investigate  
Government Peat  
Cutting.

The Honourable,  
The Colonial Secretary,  
Stanley.

TABLE I.

INDIVIDUAL RECORDS OF GOVERNMENT PEAT CUTTERS FOR THE 1965 SEASON.

Name	W/E 27/10/65	W/E 3/11/65	W/E 10/11/65	W/E 17/11/65	W/E 24/11/65	W/E 1/12/65	W/E 8/12/65	Total
H.V. Summers	178	278	286	280	324	230	185	1761
B.M. Grant	250	350	350	250	400	300	155	2055
R.J. McKay	200	255	276	317	233	186	201	1668
F.W. Peck	141	202	120	150	116	95	87	911
F.J. Biggs	132	200	200	150	172	183	133	1170
S.F. Smith	185	214	215	106	295	55	111	1181
P. Alazia	133	218	241	230	301	214	185	1522
F. Browning	64	125	96	64	138	111	30	628
E. Gleadell	120	46	38	100	84	102	-	490
							Total Cubic Yards	11386



TABLE II.

INDIVIDUAL RECORDS OF GOVERNMENT PEAT CUTTERS FOR THE 1964 SEASON.

Name	W/E 14/10/64	W/E 21/10/64	W/E 28/10/64	W/E 4/11/64	W/E 11/11/64	W/E 18/11/64	W/E 9/12/64	W/E 16/12/64	W/E 23/12/64	Total
CUBIC YARDS.										
H.V. Summers	160	338	368	280	145	436	180	354	120	2381
B.M. Grant	180	400	250	220	186	122	180	210	127	1845
D. Wallace	56	106	50	39	50	67	-	45	53	466
P.L. Smith	124	214	199	130	143	160	120	179	112	1381
F.J. Biggs	59	201	180	159	132	153	-	-	-	884
S.F. Smith	-	-	-	32	116	150	118	170	18	654
M. Turner	340	-	152	204	112	274	252	103	132	1785
F. Browning	60	52	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	112
D. Hansen	70	170	80	142	88	100	108	102	88	948
Total Cubic Yards										10456.

7th January,

66.

To: The Officer in Charge,

From: Colonial Secretary,

Public Works Department,

STANLEY.Peat Supply.

330

Your PWD OLO of the 4th January, 1966.

I approve the proposal set out in your memorandum for the cutting of a further 1,500 yards of peat. In view of the trenching required payment at the rate of 2/1d per yard is also approved.

Sgd. W. H. Thompson.

COLONIAL SECRETARY

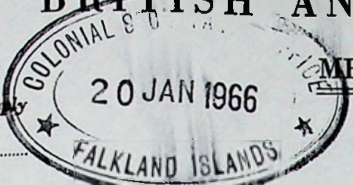
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# BRITISH ANTARCTIC SURVEY

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## MEMORANDUM.

Please quote in reply  
No. 571

19th January 1966

O.I.C., British Antarctic Survey,  
Stanley, Falkland Islands.

The Honourable Colonial Secretary,  
Secretariat,  
Stanley.

SUBJECT:- B.A.S. Peat Requirements.

*Handwritten:* 1/2

We discussed.

Our peat requirements can fall into two main classifications, definite and possible:-

### DEFINITE

- (A) Peat for Expatriate Female Staff.
- (B) Peat for B.A.S. Workshop.

*Handwritten:* (2 loads a year)

### POSSIBLE

- (C) Peat for Staff who arrive on first contract during the winter months.
- (D) Peat for Senior H.Q. Officials who, through pressure of work, have not been able to cut their own peat, or have not been able to arrange for it to be cut privately.

You have already agreed that the existing arrangements for (A) will stand. (B) amounts to three lorry loads per year, may this also stand please. (c) I feel, would average out to about 100 yards per person per year but the requirements are not constant. We would, however, be able to forecast requirements at the beginning of each season, this has been the practice in the past. (D) does happen. The busiest time of the year in B.A.S. H.Q. is during the peat cutting and gardening period. It is not always possible to hire a peat cutter. Every effort is made to cut, or arrange to have cut, own peat but it sometimes becomes obvious that the target total is unreachable. Requirements are not constant and probably not forecastable until well into the peat cutting season.

For the past two seasons coal has been obtained from Punta Arenas to help out situations outlined in (C) and (D) and it is probable that we can repeat such arrangements but our main problem on (C) is storage space for the coal. The Punta coal must be stored in a dry place otherwise it crumbles, we just have not got such a place. I understand the question of storage was mentioned during discussions between yourself and Mr. Gipps.

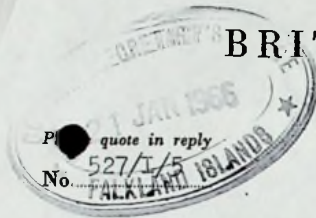
Taking into consideration the necessary financial arrangements and detours from Punta through London to Stanley on purchases made in Punta it would, from our point of view, be much simpler if we could submit to F.I.G. each year the amount of peat required. Your cutting team then to cut this amount in addition to your own requirements. I do however appreciate the possible difficulties involved. What I am really concerned about on (C) (D) is the seasons that a B.A.S. Ship does not call at Punta.

I would be grateful to know to what extent the F.I.G. can assist us.

*Handwritten signature:* E. Clapp

E.C.J. Clapp., O.I.C.  
BRITISH ANTARCTIC SURVEY.

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# BRITISH ANTARCTIC SURVEY

## MEMORANDUM.

21st January 1966

The Honourable Colonial Secretary,  
Secretariat,  
Stanley.

O.I.C., British Antarctic Survey.

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

SUBJECT:—

I request that four lorryloads of peat be delivered to the Middle Shed of the Barrack Street Flats.

This peat is required for an expatriate female replacement arriving this summer.

E.C.J. Clapp., O.I.C.,  
BRITISH ANTARCTIC SURVEY.

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I don't know how far back the arrangement goes  
 neither can I see how deeply we are committed to  
 the present arrangement of providing BAS female staff,  
 but I think we should read very cautiously before yielding  
 another yard. O/C BAS was told very firmly at 10.3.14  
 that we could see no real hope of Govt. being able to obtain  
 sufficient feet for itself during this season & this has  
 already proved to be only too true. Surely if they are un-  
 able to import Chilean coal they could at least <sup>attempt to</sup> arrange  
 for their own requirements to be met by local contract.  
 I have never heard any announcement inviting tenders.

If we must supply the four loads now requested  
 for the Barrack Street Flats, then I suggest it is loaded  
 against replacement before the end of 1966 in the same  
 way as we would treat our own incoming officers.

26.1.66

W.I.  
 12



1st February, 66

From: The Colonial Secretary,

To: Officer-in-Charge,

B.A.S. Office,

Stanley.

B.A.S. Peat Requirements

I refer to your letter 4/571 of the 19th January, 1966.

As you know and as I explained to your Deputy Director, our peat cutting difficulties are enormous and grow worse. We live from year to year and I cannot give you any long term assurances at all. However I confirm that, for as long as we can, we will supply peat on payment to your single expatriate female staff and continue to supply not more than three loads per year to your workshop.

I must continue to press you to make your own arrangements for senior and expatriate staff.

Despite the difficulty of obtaining coal and storing it I am sure this is your safest bet. I think I shall be able to offer you a nissen hut coal store within the next year.

It might, of course, be worth your while to put out your own peat cutting contract as has been successfully done by the Radio Research Sub-station, but, even so, I would like to repeat that I still think imported fuel is the most reliable answer.

(W.H. Thompson)

COLONIAL SECRETARY

Copies to: Mr. Gipps  
S/Works  
High Commissioner

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Science Research Council  
RADIO AND SPACE RESEARCH STATION  
Port Stanley,  
Falkland Islands.

Your reference:

Our reference:



14th April, 1966

The Honourable,  
Colonial Secretary,  
Secretariat,  
Stanley.

Cf.  
15/5/66

*Dear Thompson, — envelope addressed H.C.S. 70*

Peat Supplies

We would like to confirm the arrangements discussed with you the other day regarding peat supplies for R.S.R.S. personnel.

We assume that so far as the telecommunications engineers are concerned, as they will be effectively working for Posts and Telecommunications, that Government will accept the usual responsibilities with regard to these two houses.

This leaves 11 of our personnel in official U.K. Government houses, and judging from past experience we may expect perhaps one more person to acquire marital status during his tour of duty. Of these 11 houses, 6 will have oil-fired background central heating and during the next two years we would hope to apply this to all the houses.

Ideally, as members of Her Majesty's Government, we would prefer to purchase our peat supplies from Government, however, I understand from our conversation that you do not think this is possible at the present time. You did say, and we would like to confirm this, that your Peat Officer would arrange and place a bulk contract for peat cutting and carting which would meet the needs of our staff. R.S.R.S. would accept financial responsibility for this commitment and would charge individual staff members according to their demands upon the bulk supply.

*Yours sincerely,  
Cecil Clarke.*

C. CLARKE

*Reply at 339*

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22nd April, 66.

To: The Superintendent of Works,

From: Colonial Secretary,

STANLEY.

Peat Officer.

The Executive Council wishes to know what are the duties of the Peat Officer during winter.

Please let me have a list of these duties.

(Sgd.) W. H. Thompson)

COLONIAL SECRETARY



18th May,

66

Dear Sir,

Peat Supplies

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I refer to Mr. Clarke's letter dated 14th April 1966 and my earlier conversation with him.

I confirm that the Government Peat Officer will set and supervise your annual cutting contract, but, as pointed out, I cannot arrange transport for peat. This must be your own responsibility.

The position of the Cable and Wireless engineers is not yet clear nor has this Government received any proposals concerning their conditions of service, and until something positive is known I cannot commit Government to anything. However you are assured that our attitude will be as helpful as possible.

Yours faithfully,

(Sgd) W. H. Thompson.

COLONIAL SECRETARY

The Officer-in-Charge,  
Radio and Space Research Station,  
STANLEY

Copies to:; SPW  
SPT

Acc e.s

Send a reminder  
to 338? JA 19/5/66

Jeo. C. W. 19/5



0032/11

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24th May,

66

Superintendent Public Works,

Colonial Secretary,

Stanley.

Post Officer

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My memo of 22nd April refers

I should be grateful for an early reply.

H.L. BOUND

for COLONIAL SECRETARY

ACS

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No reply yet.

JA

6.6.66

ER

Bu 6/6/66



Recd.

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I have discussed with A. P. W.  
Peat Ofren has no definite winter tasks  
and is put to whatever work is required.  
This winter he has been checking inventories  
and is now assisting in the garage while  
his seasonal work recommences.

L.G.

7.6.66

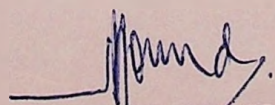
P.G.

EXTRACT FROM MINUTES OF MEETING NO. 7/66 OF EXECUTIVE COUNCIL HELD ON  
THE 19th AND 20th JULY 1966.

0032/II

26. PEAT OFFICER.

The Acting Colonial Secretary referred to a question asked at a previous meeting of Executive Council regarding the duties performed by the Peat Officer during the winter months. He explained that in discussion with the Superintendent of Public Works he was informed that in the winter the Peat Officer was generally employed as a "stand in" for officers on vacation leave.

  
CLERK OF COUNCIL

TB

B. W.  
30/9/66



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22nd September 1966.

## Peat Supplies

Yours faithfully,

L. Russell

Messrs J. T. Campbell.  
J. Kerr  
Dr.s J.H. Ashmore  
R. S. Slessor  
Misses A. Gisby  
J. Burgess  
E. Bettrick  
R. Dinnes

TB

27th September,

66

To: Superintendent Public Works,

Acting Colonial Secretary,

STANLEY.

Sale of Peat

This is to confirm that where labour is not supplied for throwing in peat delivered to officer's quarters the price per load should be reduced to £3. 13. 4.

L. C. Gleadow

ACTING COLONIAL SECRETARY

Copies to: Treasury  
Audit



346.

STANLEY,

21st October, 1966.

Dear Sir,

I wish to tender to cut 1,000 cubic yards of Government Peat  
at 2/9d per yard.

Yours faithfully.

S. F. S. mill

The Supt. of Works,  
Stanley.

Mr. J. has been told that this tender  
is not accepted. They are now advertising

A. J. 21/10/66

21/10/66

CS. EX Co please.

What does Peat Officer think?

LH 2/10

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J.E.

Mr John Rowlands (who excels some of the Dorset hewers) has engaged whether he can experiment in peat cutting with the Buffalo ditching machine. He has found a suitable site east of the new marks for the N/I Station on the north side of the road, where peat is about 18" deep. He proposes to turn out long

sausage-like strips and have some men coming on behind chopping <sup>them</sup> ~~it~~ up. This

would undoubtedly provide a very welcome

Yes addition to the peat supply but it would leave the ground in a dreadful state with trenches every eight feet. Mr Rowlands

Don't it. thought these could be filled in with ash but I am not at all sure of the practicability of this.

Agree I am reluctant to turn down any likely source of peat but cannot work up enthusiasm for this idea. Would it be worth mentioning in Exco? Mr Rowlands has no more Saturday afternoon working only.

L.H. 2/10/66



EXTRACT FROM MINUTES OF EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING NO.12/66

HELD ON THE 25th OCTOBER 1966

0032/II

15. PEAT CUTTING RATES

Referring to the problem of obtaining Government peat requirements, the Acting Colonial Secretary informed Members that a tender had recently been received for the cutting of 1,000 cubic yards at 2/9d per yard. Previous tenders of 3/- and 4/- per yard had not been accepted for the reasons given at Minute 1 of Meeting No. 11/66 held on 14th October 1966 and for the same reasons he felt that the latest tender was still too high.

The Acting Colonial Secretary went on to explain that he had conducted preliminary enquiries with a view to offsetting our peat requirements with coal. Government's annual peat requirements totalled 12,000 cubic yards costing approximately £3,000 and he was advised that the rough equivalent of this in terms of coal amounted to approximately 600 tons, which at a very rough estimate would cost £10,000 delivered from Chile. This figure did not take into account storage and delivery charges in Stanley.

Council advised that the new tender of 2/9d per yard be rejected and that further tenders be invited. It was further advised that the possibility of obtaining coal from both South America and the United Kingdom be explored and due to the urgency of the matter it was agreed that the final decision on this subject be left to Members resident in Stanley.

Clerk of Council

Ref: 0032/II

Colonial Secretary's Office,  
Stanley.

2nd November 1966

Probably because of the lateness of the hour a small matter was not raised for discussion in Executive Council last week.

Mr. J. Rowlands has enquired whether he can experiment in peat cutting with the Buffalo ditching machine. He has found a suitable site east of the new masts from the W/T Station on the north side of the road. The peat is about 18 inches deep. He proposes to turn out sausage-like strips about 8 feet apart and have men coming on behind chopping them up. This is only intended as a Saturday afternoon venture and no great amount of peat will be produced. The peat produced will be largely taken by those who take part in the scheme. There is no suggestion that Government's problem will be solved but any proposal that is likely to produce peat should not be lightly set aside. However, the result of this sort of cutting would be that the ground would be left in a dreadful state with trenches 18 inches deep and about 24 inches across every 8 feet. Mr. Rowlands has suggested filling in these with ash but this does not strike me as entirely practicable, and it would not be done free of cost.

I have gone into print on this because I think you will wish to have as many facts as are available before you. Unless you particularly wish to do so please do not go to the extent of a written reply, a phone call will do. The point on which advice is required is whether Rowlands should be permitted to go ahead with his experiment.

Yours faithfully,

(Sgd) L. Gleadell.

ACTING COLONIAL SECRETARY

The Honourable  
Dr. R. S. Slessor, O.B.E.,  
STANLEY

The Honourable  
Mr. A. G. Barton, C.B.E., J.P.,  
STANLEY

The Honourable  
Mr. R. V. Goss, M.L.C.,  
STANLEY

~~16/11/66~~ 346

BU 16/11/66

348<sup>98</sup>



22 James St<sup>30</sup>  
Stanley  
15 Nov.

Dear Sir

I wish to tender for Government

Peat Cutting.

My tender price is 2/6 per cubic yard, and  
the amount to be 100 yards at a time.  
Meaning, that if I wish to, then by

a agreement with the peat officer, I would  
~~can~~ cut another 100 yards and so on.

I remain

Yours Sincerely

C.T. Rogers.

B.B. Peck

R.B. Goss agrees

no other material available.

W. 16/11

Perd advised to  
accept 17.11.66



Letter to Rowland for this



No. 14/1

It is requested that, in any reference to this memorandum the above number and date should be quoted.

MEMORANDUM

10th November, 19 66.

To: Colonial Secretary,

STANLEY.

From: Colonial Treasurer.

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

SUBJECT :-

Fuel Supplies

There now seems to be no doubt that Government will not get peat cut during the current season. The peat shortage in 1966/67 is also likely to extend to some members of the public, particularly elderly people. The only alternative for the immediate future is coal - this is practically dictated by the need to provide solid fuel which the heating systems can handle without extensive and expensive alterations to the heating arrangements.

Coal can be obtained from the United Kingdom, Uruguay (but this may be coal from U.K. or Chile) and Chile. It is probably beyond doubt that for quality the English coal is by far the best, but because of the cost large importations from Britain seem to be out of the question. The Falkland Islands Company Ltd import phurnacite from Britain and the landed cost is £38 per ton. A quotation from Montevideo received by the British Antarctic Survey was £5100 Uruguayan pesos per ton, (£25 approx) but to this should almost certainly be added the usual taxes.

Reports on Chilean coal seem to confirm that it gives a good performance in closed grates such as Rayburn Cookers and Esse Dura Stoves, but in open grates the efficiency is not as good. It is believed that it presents storage problems for it needs to be kept dry and a peat shed with its slatted sides might not be entirely suitable. In terms of cost it is cheaper than English coal, even accepting that English coal is more efficient. Investigations into the cost have produced an assortment of charges and B.A.S. personnel who have imported it have been faced with charges far above what they had been led to expect. The following is the best estimate of the cost per ton, landed and stored in Stanley.

First cost	5. 10. -.
Chilean tax	1. 3. -.
Freight (F.I.C.)	4. 10. -.
Freight surcharge	1. 12. -.
Wharfage	- . 15. -.
Another Chilean charge-not clearly defined	3. - . -.
Delivery in Stanley, say	- . 10. -.
	<u>£17. - . -.</u>

The Superintendent of Works estimates our requirements at 600 tons. This is based on one yard of peat being the equivalent of 1 cwt of Chilean coal. At £17 per ton the total cost would be £10,200. The Peat Officer hopes to have sufficient peat to last to the end of 1966. It is important, therefore, that early steps be taken to decide on what coal importations should be made in 1967, and whether 'Darwin' should bring a small amount in December and January. Shipping presents some difficulty in that 600 tons is a large quantity and would entail considerable loading and unloading time. It was for this reason that the Officer in Charge B.A.S. felt that R.R.S. Shackleton could not be spared for the work. The Darwin ~~might be~~ going to Punta Arenas ~~between 20th January~~

(from Monte)

is not

in February

and/.....



had at one time been thought but the Manager thinks that a trip in April/May could be arranged. There is, of course, one particular uncertainty about Chilean coal and that is whether it is available for export in quantities like 700 tons. I suggest, as a first urgent step, a telegram to Punta Arenas asking whether 700 tons is available for export to the Falkland Islands and whether a local (Chilean) craft is available to bring it over early in 1967.

If Chilean coal or transport for it is not available I suggest as an alternative arranging for "A.E.S." to bring coal from Britain. As the quality is better, and because we should not abandon the idea of Chilean supplies, I would think a much lower quantity than 700 tons would be needed, especially as repeat orders by "A.E.S." can be made quarterly. The increase to 700 tons from my earlier figure of 600 tons arises from the needs of E.S.R.O. to be taken into account.

No additional funds have been voted but S.F.C. have been advised of the peat cutting position and have endorsed the view that we should not pay exorbitant rates. The long term implications were fully appreciated.

*L. G. G. G.*

COLONIAL TREASURER.

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Among points for consideration are:

- (a) interruption of Darwin's Montevideo schedule -  
would a Punta Arenas ship take in place of a cargo ship?
- (b) availability of Shackleton - I discussed with Sir Vivian Fuchs in London - naturally he is not particularly keen but I think he would probably reluctantly agree to an end of season ship if it did not take too long. Capt. Turnbull has discussed coal with Punta Arenas people <sup>his</sup> <sup>my</sup> <sup>you</sup> <sup>men</sup> & I suggest he should be seen <sup>by you</sup> before he sails;
- (c) R. Marine detachment will need heat?

*L.G.*  
17/11



19th November,

66.

Dear Sir,

I refer to your recent application to carry out peat cutting experiments on the Stanley Common with the Buffalo Ditching Machine and confirm that the area north of Surf Bay Road between the landmark and the branch 'road' leading towards the old wireless paddocks may be used for this purpose.

The following conditions apply -

- (a) The operation will be under the supervision of the Government Peat Officer
- (b) The topsoil will either be replaced in the trench or removed from the common, and
- (c) No cutting will be permitted which would interfere with existing peat tracks.

I should be grateful to learn at a later date whether you regard the operation as successful or not.

Yours faithfully,

(SGD.) H. L. BOUND,

for COLONIAL SECRETARY

Mr. J. Rowlands,  
STANLEY.

IM.

CS 51. Rlu

CT L.E. / 2.11.66

Coal

Shackleton calls at  
Punta Arenas about  
7 March.

(He also calls here  
very briefly on 6 Jan'y  
but only to collect  
passengers and away  
to San Menes in  
a hurry to, unless  
there is a change of  
plan, I don't think  
6 Jan would help at  
all - one is not  
due to come here in  
the interim) Co 19/11



Colonial Secretary's Office,  
Stanley,  
Falkland Islands.

21st November 1966.

Dear Sir,

Fuel Supplies

If you have any officer who has lived entirely on coal for any known period (even as little as a week) would you be good enough to find out and let me know

- (a) Quantity used and period;
- (b) Type of burner;
- (c) Number of cooking ranges and fire places consuming the fuel.

I do not want to cause any unnecessary paper work, but I would ask for a quick reply. If the answer is nil please endorse accordingly and return this letter.

Yours faithfully,

(W.H. Thompson)  
COLONIAL SECRETARY

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

reply at 363

The O/ie R.S.R.S.,  
STANLEY.

reply at 364

The Chief Met. Officer,  
STANLEY.

reply at 361

The O/ie D.S.,  
STANLEY

Copy to Colonial Treasurer.

## GOVERNMENT TELEGRAPH SERVICE

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FALKLAND ISLANDSSENT

Wt P2809 5/61

Number	Office of Origin	Words	Handed in at	Date
	Stanley			21.11.66
To	ctat WAGSTAPLE MONTVIDEO			HOA/c

No 37 Telegraph prices of bagged coke repeat bagged coke suitable  
domestic boilers 10 and 20 ton lots fob and delivery time stop  
Could any be shipped next Darwin

Secretary

Time

RR



Colonial Secretary's Office,  
Stanley,  
Falkland Islands.

21st November 1966.



L4 1/6 on L4  
26/11

Dear Sir,

Fuel Supplies

If you have any officer who has lived entirely on coal for any known period (even as little as a week) would you be good enough to find out and let me know

- (a) Quantity used and period;
- (b) Type of quarter;
- (c) Number of cooking ranges and fire places consuming the fuel.

I do not want to cause any unnecessary paper work, but I would ask for a quick reply. If the answer is nil please endorse accordingly and return this letter.

Yours faithfully,

(W.H. Thompson)  
COLONIAL SECRETARY

CHAPP

- (A) 1 1/2 BAGS PER DAY OVER 3 WEEKS (WINTER)
- (B) A
- (C) 1 COOKING RANGE (BOYBURN) 1 OPEN FIRE (MEDIUM RATE) 1 CANNON STOVE WITH BACK BOILER? (RADIATORS TO 4 BEDROOMS). TOTAL 3 FIRES

The Officer in Charge,  
B.A.S. Office,  
STANLEY.

Kiv Bu on 365



Colonial Secretary's Office,  
Stanley,  
Falkland Islands.

21st November 1966.

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Yours faithfully,

*W.H. Thompson*

(W.H. Thompson)  
COLONIAL SECRETARY

*Regret Nil Return*

*W.D.*

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





C.S.

Lee  
G.I.  
24/11

## COAL

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Mr Clapp tells me what he believes that there is coal for sale at GRØTVIKEN, price thought to be about £5 a ton. I further hear C.T. has already been told and you may well have taken action already. It appears that Bruntson, former handyman at S.G., is - or was - interested in getting his coal up to Stanley and we do not want to upset any arrangements already made by him but he can in any case hardly expect to ship it easily unless some PESCA ship carried it.

Unless you have other ideas or have already acted, I suggest you now send a brief telegram (GTC?) to A.O. S.G. asking for confirmation that coal is for sale, an estimate of quantity available, a request to be made to Thorsen for F.I.G. to have an option to purchase and finally a sample to be sent up here by Shackleton - there is just time to have a sample sent if a telegram goes this morning.

I mention GTC so that all & sundry are not made aware of our intention but this may be an unnecessary precaution - and time consuming.

If we were to import from S.G. we should probably have to send sacks down there by Biscoe in January and if no sacks available in Falklands we may have to import <sup>sacks</sup> from Montevideo near Darwin.

P.T.O.



As to killing snakes, we might find people  
 at 80 who would be interested in earning  
 some money by doing piece work.  
 Shipping opportunities would be P.O. Box  
 (a few days or more) in February, December  
 at end of March (probably unwilling to delay  
 the day) and in midwinter season.  
 Export taxes, etc. - nil.  
 Shipping Deceleration's programme after we  
 call at Punta Arenas on 7th March makes me  
 feel the will be reluctant to spare much time  
 to looking east in P.A. and unloading in  
 Stanley. She has to get down to Marguerite  
 Bay before we can finish.

## A Bill for An Ordinance

To give effect to Article 10 of International  
Labour Convention No. 115 concerning  
the Protection of Workers against Ionising  
Radiations. Title.

( , 1966) Date of commencement.

BE IT ENACTED by the Legislature of the Colony of the Enacting clause.  
Falkland Islands, as follows —

1. This Ordinance may be cited as the Ionising Radiations Short title.  
(Protection of Workers) Ordinance, 1966.

2. In this Ordinance — Interpretation.

“Authority” means the Senior Medical Officer;

“Ionising radiations” means electromagnetic radiation (that is to say, X-ray or gamma ray protons or quanta) or corpuscular radiation (that is to say, alpha particles, beta particles, electrons, positrons, protons, neutrons, or heavy particles) being electromagnetic radiation or corpuscular radiation capable of producing ions and emitted from a machine or apparatus which is intended to produce ionising radiations, or from a machine or apparatus in which electrons are accelerated by a voltage of not less than five kilovolts;

“Proprietor”, in relation to an undertaking, includes any person for the time being having the management or capital, or receiving the profits, of the business carried on in such undertaking, or employing any person engaged in such business.



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— **THE NEW YORK TIMES** —

To Administrative Officer, South Georgia

Received: 19 Time:

Ref'd at 360

ER

DECODE.

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TELEGRAM.

*From* Colonial Secretary, Stanley

*To* Administrative Officer, South Georgia

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*Despatched :* 22nd November, 19 66 *Time :* 1130

*Received :* 19 *Time :*

No 211 Coal my telegram No 210 for Biggs read Berntsen

Secretary

Underlined-GTC



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DECODE.

TELEGRAM.

*From*.....Administrative Officer, South Georgia

*To*.....Colonial Secretary, Stanley

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*Despatched :*                      22nd November,                      19 66      *Time :*      1800

*Received :*                      22nd November,                      19 66      *Time :*

357

No 234    Your telegram No 210 have secured option for FIG  
on approximately 60 tons coal and approximately 80 tons coke  
pending receipt and agreement of sale price which we await  
from Brandt London.    Sample sent on Shackleton

Adminoff

P/L ; ER

Meteorological Office, 36/  
Stanley,  
Falkland Islands,  
South Atlantic.

Our Ref. BAMS 100/66/47

Your Ref: 0032/II

22nd November, 19 66



The Colonial Secretary,  
STANLEY.

FUEL SUPPLIES

Officers who live in the standard Dorrans houses and keep the cooking range and one fire place in action, use approximately one ton of Chilean coal per month.

One ton of anthracite (as used on B.A.S. bases) will fuel a Rayburn cooking range for approximately three months.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be "W. Stanbury".

Chief Meteorological Officer  
British Antarctic Meteorological Service



DECODE.

TELEGRAM.

From Macstaple Montevideo

To Colonial Secretary, Stanley

Despatched : 23rd November, 19 66 Time : 1034

Received : 24th November, 19 66 Time : 0900

Bagged coke in 10 ton lots 4000 Uruguayan pesos  
per ton FOB. Can ship next Darwin if order confirmed  
immediately

Macstaple

First cost for Montevideo	20. - - -	p.km
Freight loading charges Mtd.	1. 3. -	per ton
Freight	4. 10 -	"
	<u>25. 13. -</u>	

P/L : ER  
Intld. H.L.B.

Reply at 365

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Science Research Council  
RADIO AND SPACE RESEARCH STATION  
Port Stanley,  
Falkland Islands.

Your reference: 0032/II

November 23rd, 1966.

Our reference:



The Honourable,  
The Colonial Secretary,  
The Secretariat,  
Stanley.

Dear Sir,

Fuel Supplies

I used four tons of Punta Arenas coal between early June and mid-October - just under one ton per month. This was in a Dorran bungalow and both range and fireplace were in permanent use during the period. ✓

Hale also used a few bags of coal for a brief period and guesses that his consumption rate was similar.

Yours faithfully,

*Donald E. Mortimer*

D. E. MORTIMER  
Officer in Charge.



## GOVERNMENT TELEGRAPH SERVICE

FALKLAND ISLANDS

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	Sta ley			24.11.66
To	estat MACSTAPLE MONTEVIDEO			HQA/c

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No 39 Yourtel 25rd November bagged coke stop Ship seventy tons December  
Darwin

Secretary

Time

ER

looped to SO

Ex 60  
BH 10.12

# GOVERNMENT TELEGRAPH SERVICE

FALKLAND ISLANDS

SENT

Wt. P2809 5/61

Number	Office of Origin	Words	Handed in at	Date
	Stanley			2.12.66
To				
	otat ADMINOFF ZEH		SGA/c	

No 224 Coal and Coke stop Have you any prices yet

Secretary

Reply 368

BU 6.12.66

Time

ER



DECODE.

TELEGRAM.

From Administrative Officer, South Georgia

To Colonial Secretary, Stanley

Despatched : 5th December, 19 66 Time : 1200

Received : 5th December, 19 66 Time : 1615

No 259 Your telegram No 224 Brandts suggest prices for coal £20 and foundry coke £25 per ton plus all labour costs involved. Manager Grytviken suggests that you make counter offer per ton and in calculating your price include for labour of bagging as stocks at present unbagged. He estimates about 17 bags to the ton coal and about 25 bags to the ton foundry coke. Charge on each bag 3 shillings each. Terms of loading would be coal and coke in bags stacked on Grytviken jetty ships crew to assist with loading

Adminoff

P/L : ER  
Intld. H.L.B.

C.T. 369  
What am I?

See 371 & 375

S.  
7/12



13/12

13/12

Cs.

looking. The following appear to be the picture representing the shipment arranged with FIC.

<u>Coal</u>			
1st cost <sup>exclusive</sup> materials of A. G. labour	20	-	-
Cost of bags	2	11	-
filling bags, say	1	-	-
loading South Georgia subject to agreement with crews of Darwin, but say	1	-	-
unloading Stanley	15	6	
freight to Stanley (actual £4.15.3 but calculation on by measurement not weight, therefore say	6	15	-
delivery Stanley, say		8	6
price per ton	£ 32	10	-

<u>Coke</u>			
1st Cost	25	-	-
bags + filling	4	-	-
loading South Georgia	3	15	-
unloading Stanley	1	-	-
freight		15	6
delivery	6	15	-
		8	6
	£ 38	14	-

coke is lighter than coal and a ton weight would measure more than coal when expressed in terms of measurement. The cost of coke is therefore subject to revision.

As we are hoping to get the Monte coke for £26 per ton it seems that our best offer to Brandt would be about £12 per ton for both coal and coke. However I do not know



a great deal about coal and wonder whether we need both coal and coke. Do they serve different purposes in the heating arrangements. Does a ton of coal produce the same, more, or less heat than a ton of coke. We do not possess an estimate of coal in Montevideo but we thought the Chilean coal price might be about £17 landed here. As the coal at South Georgia is probably of better quality (but here again I do not know for sure) it seems that at £12 we would be competition with Chile.

A point about a purchase from South Georgia is that the annual charter entitles the Government to 50 ton free of freight charges.

From previous experience of wages at South Georgia we would want to know in advance what charges would be raised by Brackets for handling by their men. £1 or more per ton is not unusual for them.

My recommendation - Offer £12 for both coal and coke and see what the reaction is. We might add that this is the price we can get the stuff from other markets.

L.G.

9/12/66

DECODE.

TELEGRAM.

From Colonial Secretary, Stanley

To Administrative Officer, South Georgia

Despatched : 15th December 1966 Time : 1230

Received : 19 Time :

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No. 256. Your telegram No. 259. Coal and coke prices. Our information is that same fuel is being offered privately at £5 per ton bagged if collected. Grateful you find out reason for difference. We will certainly buy at £5.

Secretary

GTC : FA



0032/II

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15th December

66.

To: The Superintendent of Works,

From: Colonial Secretary,

STANLEY.

Oil Conversions

The following are to be converted to oil fired central heating:

1. Sullivan House
2. Police Station
3. FIDE Hall
4. Central Store.

2. 1. as soon as possible. 2. In convenient sequence.  
3. In convenient sequence. 4. As you may consider necessary. Your  
next budget will have to watch these items.

(W.H. THOMPSON)  
COLONIAL SECRETARY

Bu 22.12.66  
(371)

file  
S.1.

25/12.

Sample bag of coal from South Georgia

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Briefly the coal is a good burning coal producing a substantial heat. It was used in a Rayburn range where it was entirely satisfactory. It burned well, with a good flame, lasted well, and produced little ash.

In the Carron stove in the sitting room the coal burned equally well as in the Rayburn.

To conclude I would say that the coal sampled was a good quality coal (probably what is termed steam coal or foundry coal), somewhat slate like in appearance. It would not appear to be as good as the best quality household coal. Superior to equal quantity of peat.

I would have needed to burn two and a half <sup>to three</sup> ~~bags~~ a week to keep the Rayburn going all day (banked down at night) and for several evenings firing for the sitting room.

A sample of the coal is attached

R. F. Liburn  
15.12.66



DECODE.

373

TELEGRAM.

From Administrative Officer, South Georgia

To Colonial Secretary, Stanley

Despatched : 16th December 1966 Time : 1345  
Received : 19th December 1966 Time : 0900

W.I.  
21/12

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No. 270. Your telegram No. 236.

Manager Grytviken states prior to granting option to Government he received offer to buy at \$5 per ton from Berntsen but considered price offered ridiculous and did not even bother to answer it. He repeats Government are still the only party with option to buy as in my telegram No. 259 and he would be grateful for your reply.

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Adminoff

GTC : FA

## GOVERNMENT TELEGRAPH SERVICE

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FALKLAND ISLANDS

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Stanley

21.12.66

To

etat ADMINOFF SOUTHGEORGIA

SG a/c

368

No. 238 Yourtel 259 Coal and Coke stop We are able to  
obtain fuel from South America at cheaper rates stop  
Will offer 12 pounds per ton both fuels stop If this  
acceptable please give indication labour costs

Secretary

Reply 376

FA

5.1.67

Ba 24.12.66

Time



DECODE.

TELEGRAM.

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*From* Administrative Officer, South Georgia

*To* Colonial Secretary, Stanley

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28/12

*Despatched :* 28th December, 19 66 *Time :* 1245

*Received :* 29th December, 19 66 *Time :* 0915

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No 275 Your telegram No 238 coal and coke. Manager Grytviken would welcome clarification as to whether your offer £12 per ton both fuels includes labour costs or whether your offer is £12 per ton plus labour costs? Grateful early reply

Adminoff

P/L : ER  
Intld. H.L.B.

DECODE.

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TELEGRAM.

From Colonial Secretary, Stanley

To Administrative Officer, South Georgia

Despatched : 29th December, 19 66 Time : 1530

Received : 19 Time :

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No 245 Your telegram No 275 Coal and Coke. £12 is  
counter offer as your telegram No 259 and envisage labour  
extra but we rely on you to see we do not get stung. Advise  
charges soonest

Secretary

GTC - underlined

ER

Reply at 382

Bu 5.1.67

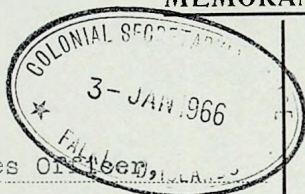


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It is requested that in any reference to this memorandum the above number and date should be quoted.

# MEMORANDUM



31st December, 1966.19

From: The Supplies Officer,  
Central Store,  
Stanley, Falkland Islands.

To: The Colonial Secretary,  
Secretariat,  
Stanley.

SUBJECT:- Coke fuel from Montevideo.

Forty three of the seventy tons of Coke ordered from Montevideo arrived by last voyage of "Darwin," and is now stored in the Old Hangar and Army Camp Nissen Hut. The balance is expected during January.

I expect shortly to receive enquiries as to who can purchase. To minimize likely confusion, I should be grateful if you would make a directive as to the sale.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be "D. J. [unclear]".

Supplies Officer.

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See 381

C.T.

378.

It appears to me that anyone on the usual list of Government Officers, plus old persons etc., agreed by either of us would meet the bill.

I am doubtful however about the necessity for imposing a  $33\frac{1}{2}\%$  rate change.

Should the change for this item not be less, say 10%?

S!  
4/1

over -



C.1.

380

I was surprised to learn that the fuel had been taken over by the Central Store. It is, I consider, the "peat supply" and as such is something for the Peat Officer to distribute. Taking it on Central Store charge ~~adds~~ serves no purpose and only adds clerical effort to the accounting arrangements.

I suggest the fuel be treated as though it were peat, i.e. distributed by Peat Officer and under the overall control of P.P.O. With regard to the sale price the only point to be careful about is that those Govt Officers on the "peat list" should not be able to purchase coke at a cheaper rate than those not in the list. The privilege of purchasing Govt peat was not tied up with the cost but relieved the Officer of the effort of cutting it himself. 10% would cover various costs. L.P.O. 5.11.44

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6th January

67

To: The Supplies Officer,

From: Colonial Secretary,

STANLEY.

Copies: C.T., S.P.W.

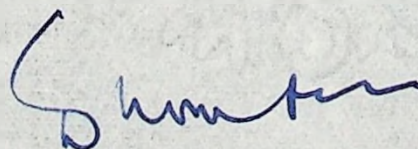
Coke Fuel from Montevideo

378

Your memo of 31.12.66 refers

I am surprised that you should have this on your hands. The Peat Officer (who is also Government's fuel officer) should be managing this. Please make immediate arrangements with the S.P.W. for the Peat Officer to assume responsibility.

The price of coke will be cost plus 10% handling charge, and it will be made available to those Government Officers on the 'peat list'. In cases of dire need other persons will be allowed to purchase at the same price, but permission for them to do so is to be obtained from me.



(W.H. THOMPSON)



DECODE.

TELEGRAM.

*From* ..... Administrative Officer, South Georgia

*To* ..... Colonial Secretary, Stanley

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*Despatched :*            7th January,            19    66    *Time :*    1200

*Received :*            7th January,            19    66    *Time :*    1200

377

No 6 . Your telegram No 245 Coal and Coke. Manager Grytviken now calculates his labour costs for bagging transport to and stacking at jetty at the rate of £5 per ton. There is also the charge of three shillings on each bag. Suggest you make all in offer covering value of coal bags and labour costs at £15 per ton as I understand this is about the U.K. cost per ton

Adminoff

P/L : ER

9th January

67

To: The Superintendent of Works,

From: Colonial Secretary,

STANLEY.Peat.

This is to confirm that with effect from today remaining stocks of peat should be reserved for sale to newly appointed married officers (who arrive at a time when it is impossible to make their own fuel arrangements) and elderly people to whom we may be obliged to give some assistance.

(Sgd.) H. L. Bound

for COLONIAL SECRETARY

Reply at 394



# GOVERNMENT TELEGRAPH SERVICE

384

## FALKLAND ISLANDS

### SENT

P1677 P4416 8/64

Number	Office of Origin	Words	Handed in at	Date
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Stanley

9.1.67

To

etat ADMIRALTY ZEN

SCA/c

382

No 9 Yourtel 6 Please offer \$15 per ton bagged on pier ready for  
shipment stop Quantities as <sup>360</sup>yourtel 234

Secretary

Reply at 385

ER

Time

DECODE.

385

TELEGRAM.

*From* Administrative Officer, South Georgia

*To* Colonial Secretary, Stanley.

*Despatched :* 20th January 1967 *Time :* 1300

*Received :* 20th January 1967 *Time :* 1100

384

No. 15. Your telegram No. 9. Manager Grytviken confirms Brandts acceptance of your offer of £15 per ton coal and coke bagged on pier ready for shipment. In order to give time for bagging he would be grateful if you could inform him when you expect to collect.

W  
381

Adminoff.

Reply at 386

PL:TB  
(Intld) H.L.B.



# GOVERNMENT TELEGRAPH SERVICE

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FALKLAND ISLANDS

SENT

PI677 P4416 8/64

Number	Office of Origin	Words	Handed in at	Date
	Stanley			31.1.67
To				
	etat ADMINHOFF ZEH			SGA/c

385

No 22 Yourtel 15 Fuel stop Please send as shipping presents midwinter  
Darwin will lift balance

Secretary

ER

Time

0032/11

387

31st January,

67

To: Peat Officer,

From: Colonial Secretary,

STANLEY.

u.f.s. Supt. Public Works

Coke Supplies

Please let me know not later than February 3rd what quantity of coke is to be ordered by the next Darwin.

You are to note that it is your responsibility to see that we do not run short of fuel over winter. A weekly tally should be sent to my office for information.

W.H. Thompson

COLONIAL SECRETARY

Reply at 388

BU 3.2.61



No. PWD 010

It is requested that, in any reference to this memorandum above number and date should be quoted.



MEMORANDUM

6/6  
2nd February, 19 67

To: The Colonial Secretary,

Stanley.

From: Peat Officer, P.W.D.

u.f.s. Supt. of Works.

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

SUBJECT:- Coke Supplies

I wish to refer to your Memo. 0032/II of 31st January and inform you that I consider we should order another 70 tons to be shipped by the next Darwin trip.

To date 235 bags have been issued, that is approximately 11 tons. ✓

*L. Brauning*  
Peat Officer.

*auto  
9/2/67*

# GOVERNMENT TELEGRAPH SERVICE

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FALKLAND ISLANDS

SENT

P1677 P4416 8/64

Number	Office of Origin	Words	Handed in at	Date
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STANLEY

7.2.67

To

100 MACSTAPLES HOWEVIDEO

100/0

365

No 3 Mytel 39 ship further seventy tons bagged coke next Berwin

Secretary

Copy to Supt. Works

ER

Bu 15.2.67

Time



390

# GOVERNMENT TELEGRAPH SERVICE

FALKLAND ISLANDS

## SENT

PI677 P4416 8/64

Number	Office of Origin	Words	Handed in at	Date
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STANLEY

13.2.67

To

LTF MACSTAPLE MONTEVIDEO

HOA/c

384

No 5 Mysel 3 Coke stop Increase order to eighty two tons

Secretary

Copies to S/M

SPW  
0355/B/V1

ER

The additional 12 tons is required for Darwin Boarding School.

SD 5.3.67

Time

DECODE.

TELEGRAM.

From.....Administrative Officer, South Georgia

To.....Colonial Secretary, Stanley

Despatched :      16th February,      19 67      Time : 1230

Received :      16th February,      19 67      Time : 1200

No 40      Will Perla Dan be able to uplift any coal and coke?

Adminoff

P/L : ER

Reply at 393

391



0032/II

17th February

67.

To: The Officer in Charge,

From: Colonial Secretary,

B.A.S. Office,

STANLEY.

Coal and Coke.

The following is a copy of a telegram received from the Administrative Officer, South Georgia:

391 "Will Perla Dan be able to uplift any coal and coke?"

Can you please advise?

(Sgd.) H.L.Bound

for COLONIAL SECRETARY

ot BAS say No.

Bu 21.2.67

# GOVERNMENT TELEGRAPH SERVICE

FALKLAND ISLANDS

## SENT

P1677 P4416 8/64

Number	Office of Origin	Words	Handed in at	Date
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Stanley

18.2.67

To

STAT ADMINOFF ZEN

SGA/c

391

No 36 Youatel 40 Cool and Coko stop No

Secretary

MR

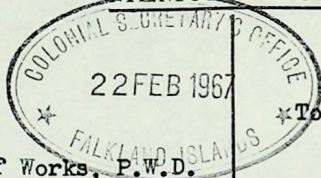
Time



No. PWD 010

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MEMORANDUM



21st February, 1967.

\*To: The Colonial Secretary,

From: Superintendent of Works, P.W.D.

STANLEY.

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

SUBJECT :-

Peat.

With reference to your Memo 0032/II dated 9th January, 1967.

A request has been received from the Senior Medical Officer for 2 loads of Peat to be supplied to Admiralty Cottage.

As coke is not efficient in an open grate can approval be given please for this peat to be delivered.

*Stanhope*  
Supt. of Works.

*S.P.W.*

395

*As we are supposed not to have any peat I don't see how I do authorise: However surely if you have it: but issue that when it arrives. W.*

396

bol sec

395 noted than you.

rf  
for SW  
7/3/67

397

ACS

Your bu at 390 pl.  
JA



DECODE.

TELEGRAM.

From Administrative Officer, South Georgia

To Colonial Secretary, Stanley

Despatched : 2nd March, 19 67 Time : 1200

Received : 2nd March, 19 67 Time : 1200

No 56 Coal and Coke. Manager Grytviken confirms all available coal and coke now bagged stacked on jetty awaiting shipment. Quantities 1800 bags at 80 kilo bags coal 690 bags at 45 kilo bags coke. Tonnage coal 144 tons coke 31 tons. As some of the coal and a little of the coke is rather fine ground as compared with sample Manager is only charging for 110 tons coal and 30 tons coke at £15 per ton making total price payable to Brandts London £2100

Adminoff

P/L : ER  
Intld. H.L.B.  
Copy to Supplies Officer.

I don't feel inclined to pay too early. Suggest B.U. end of May. L.G. 12.3.67

No. **PWD 610**

It is requested that, in any reference to this memorandum the above number and date should be quoted.



**MEMORANDUM**

8th March, 19 67

To: The Colonial Secretary,

Stanley<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>

From: Superintendent of Works. P.W.D.

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

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SUBJECT :- Telegram to Montevideo.

I have the honour to request that the following telegram be sent to Montevideo:-

"TO SAVE DELAY DARWIN SHIPPING HAVE REQUESTED THAT BALANCE OF COKE BEING <sup>FOR SHIPMENT</sup> ~~SHIPPED PER THIS DARWIN BE~~ ALONGSIDE SHIP READY FOR LOADING ON SATURDAY MORNING MARCH 18th."

*P. Gough*  
Supt. of Works.

*Issue*

*1*



## GOVERNMENT TELEGRAPH SERVICE

FALKLAND ISLANDSSENT

400

P1676 P4416 8/64

Number	Office of Origin	Words	Handed in at	Date
	STANLEY			8.3.67
To	LFF MAGSTAPLE HONTEVIDEO			HQA/c

No 8 To save delay Darwin Shipping request balance of coke for shipment this Darwin be alongside ship ready for loading Saturday morning March 18th

Secretary

Time

HR

DECODE.

TELEGRAM.

~~399~~  
401

From .....Administrative Officer, South Georgia

To .....Colonial Secretary, Stanley

Despatched : 11th March, 19 67 Time : 1200

Received : 13th March, 19 67 Time :

398

No 69 Please refer to my telegram 56 coal and  
coke. Tonnage as given by manager Grytviken  
metric tons

Adminoff

P/L : AA  
Intld. H. L. B.  
Copy to Supplies Officer.

Re copy to SO  
14.5.67

KIV 398  
ACS  
your bu. at 390.



20th March

67.

To: The Superintendent of Works,

From: Colonial Secretary,

STANLEY.Fuel Consumption

Please ask the Fuel Officer to let me have the following details on Thursday 23rd March. He should bring them himself.

1. What is the Police Station coke consumption?
2. How does it compare with other boilers using coke?
3. What other boilers are using coke?
4. What quantity do they consume?
5. What steps has he taken to reduce consumption including a list of rationed quantities imposed?
6. Has he investigated the reduction of fire boxes by, for example, fire bricks?
7. If this is not possible, why not?

(W.H. THOMPSON)  
COLONIAL SECRETARY

See 405

COKE ISSUED TO 20th March, 1967.

POLICE STATION.

January, 14th 1967	20 bags	
" 19th	20 "	
" 24th	20 "	
February, 9th	34 "	BOILER, 27K.
" 28th	40 "	
March, 14th	25 "	
	<u>159</u>	

Government House.

January, 10th	20 bags	BOILER, 27K (Burning peat dust etc.)
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G.H. Gardens.

January, 10th	10 bags	
" 24th	20 "	BOILER.
March, 8th	40 "	Brittania Jnr. 6 sections.
	<u>70</u>	

F.I.D.F.

January, 11th	20 bags	
" 24th	20 "	BOILER.
March 2nd	40 "	Brittania Snr. 6 sections
	<u>80</u>	

Senior School.

January, 11th	20 bags	
" 24th	20 "	
February 22nd	40 "	BOILER. 27K
March 9th	30 "	
	<u>110</u>	

W/T Station.

January, 14th	20 bags	BOILER.
" 24th	20 "	Brittania Snr. 6 sections
March 8th	40 "	(Burning peat dust etc.)
	<u>80</u>	

Studio.

January, 19th	5 bags	
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Painter.

February, 20th	4 bags	
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Garage Still.

March, 13th	4 bags	
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Infant School.

Burning peat dust etc.	BOILER. 27K
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No. of bags of coke received from Montevideo	2,092 ✓
No. of bags issued	<u>532</u> ✓
Stock in hand	<u>1,560</u> ✓



1.)  
2.)  
3.)  
4.)

See List.

6/6 on fuel  
lee.

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30/3

5. No system of rationing coke has yet been contemplated.

6. The only method of reducing the fire-box is by reducing the size and capacity of the boiler.

This would involve taking out the suggested number of sections.

7. The British Thermal Unit output rating of boiler listed is based on their use of recognised solid fuel i.e. coke, coal - not peat.

The boilers were designed and constructed for maximum efficiency in their present form.

To tamper with the boiler design by lining part of the fire - box with fire brick would be just insulating the boiler against heat: thus reducing its output per lb of coke.

4/4

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403

21st March, 67.

To: Officer-in-Charge,

From: Colonial Secretary.

British Antarctic Survey,

STANLEY.

Carriage of coal for South Georgia

In view of the extra call of R.R.S. John Biscoe at King Edward Point can it be arranged that she carry some of the bagged coal and coke we have ready for shipment there.

I realise that time alongside will dictate the amount to be carried.

W.H.T.

COLONIAL SECRETARY



0032/11

404

21st March, 67.

To: Supt. Public Works,

From: The Colonial Secretary

STANLEY.

Issue of Coke.

Gardeners Cottage Government House

A fuel issue is authorised. What scale does the  
Fuel Officer recommend?

W. H. T.

COLONIAL SECRETARY

Reply at 406

AA

Bu 31.3.67

406

0032/11.

No. PWD 010

It is requested that, in any reference to this memorandum the above number and date should be quoted.



MEMORANDUM

23rd March, 19 67.

To: The Colonial Secretary,

STANLEY.

From: Superintendent of Works, P.W.D.

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

SUBJECT :-

Issue of Coke.  
Gardener's Cottage Government House.

Taking into consideration that these quarters are unoccupied for most of the day the Fuel Officer recommends 5 bags per month.

*SGough*

Supt. of Works.

*W*  
*thp*

*See 409*

*2*



DECODE.

TELEGRAM.

From Administrative Officer, South Georgia

To Colonial Secretary, Stanley

Despatched : 30th March, 19 67 Time : 1200

Received : 30th March, 19 67 Time : 1200

No 81 Coal and Coke. Understand there appears to be some misunderstanding as to which jetty coal and coke stacked. Please refer to my telegram No 259 in which terms of loading are stated as "bags stacked on Grytviken jetty ships crew to assist with loading".

Adminoff

F/L : ER  
Intld. H.L.B.

MEMORANDUM

Ref: 0032/II

1st April 1967.

From: Colonial Secretary,  
STANLEY.

To: All Heads of Departments  
STANLEY.

*Issued to all HODs 4/4/67*

SUBJECT: Consumption of Coke and Coal

The following list illustrates the call for fuel, and the peak demand has not yet been reached.

COKE ISSUED TO 20th March 1967

POLICE STATION

January 14th 1967	20 bags
" 19th	20 bags
" 24th	20 bags
February 9th	34 bags
" 28th	40 bags
March 14th	25 bags
	<u>159</u>

GOVERNMENT HOUSE

January 10th	<u>20</u> bags
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G.H. GARDENS

January 10th	10 bags
" 24th	20 bags
March 8th	<u>40</u> bags
	<u>70</u>

F.I.D.F.

January 11th	20 bags
" 24th	20 bags
March 2nd	<u>40</u> bags
	<u>80</u>

SENIOR SCHOOL

January 11th	20 bags
" 24th	20 bags
February 22nd	40 bags
March 9th	<u>30</u> bags
	<u>110</u>

W/T STATION

January 14th	20 bags
" 24th	20 bags
March 8th	<u>40</u> bags
	<u>80</u>

STUDIO

January 19th	5 bags
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PAINTER/.....



PAINTER

February 20th

4 bags

GARAGE STILL

March 13th.

4 bags

No attempt should be made to compare any one set of figures with another: circumstances such as the size and condition of boilers, availability and use of rubbish and peat dust all tend to obscure truths. What is important is that the heads of all consumer departments are completely and always aware of the need for total economy. With effect from the date of this circular Departmental Heads will be held personally responsible for exercising control of economy.

Unless the S.P.W. orders no fires will be lit when buildings are empty.

In this respect I would like to point out that one officer recently offered an excuse for continuing with central heating when a building was empty on the grounds that he did not want tables to crack. Dwellings are often left unheated when officers are on leave and this sort of excuse will not wash.

Fires must not be overloaded and dampers must be controlled.

It must be understood that boilers are designed in their present form for maximum efficiency and to tamper with boiler design by lining fire boxes only insulates the boiler against heat. Output efficiency per pound of coke is greatly reduced. The only method of reducing a fire box is by reducing the size and capacity of a boiler.

True economy is not made by reducing efficiency. Proper stoking and control of dampers will save more fuel than all the fire box reductions can ever do.

The Officer responsible for fuel has been ordered to base all future issues on the experience contained in the first part of the circular, and to insist on reductions wherever they may be possible.

*W. H. Thompson*

(W.H. THOMPSON)  
COLONIAL SECRETARY

Colonial Secretary's Office,  
Stanley, Falkland Islands.

R110 407

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409

6th April

67.

To: The Superintendent of Works,

From: Colonial Secretary,

STANLEY.

Issue of Coke.

Gardener's Cottage Government House

Your Memo PWD 010 of 23rd March refers.

406

Issue 5 bags per month until further notice.

(W.H. THOMPSON)  
COLONIAL SECRETARY



DECODE.

TELEGRAM.

From ..... Administrative Officer, South Georgia

To ..... Colonial Secretary, Stanley

Despatched : 10th April, 19 67 Time : 1200

Received : 10th April, 19 67 Time :

No 84 Biscoe sailed Saturday has lifted all coal  
and coke. Has one bag official mail

*led. FA.*

Adminoff

*C.T. 398-38a*

*411*

*Can you arrange pay't for.*

P/L : ER

Intld. H.L.B.

Copy to Supplies Officer  
Peat Officer.

*18.4.67*

*18.4.  
BU 31.5.67*

19th April, 1967

Dear Sir,

Please pay to Wm. Brandt's Sons & Co. Ltd., P.O. Box No. 95, 36, Fenchurch Street, London, E.C.3., the sum of £2100 in respect of coal and coke purchased by this Government from Albion Star stocks at South Georgia. The Colony General Account should be debited.

Yours faithfully,

Le.

COLONIAL TREASURER.

The Crown Agents for Oversea  
Governments and Administrations,  
4, Millbank,  
LONDON, S.W. 1.

LG/CR

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0032/II

413

10th May

67

To: C.T., S.P.W. and S.O.,

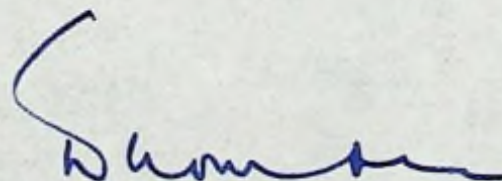
From: Colonial Secretary,

STANLEY.

Coal

The following note has been received from the Governor:

"I notice from a telegram from B.A.S. London Office (ex Gipps) that charge for coal by Biscoe will be 67/6d. per ton. Ditto timber from Punta Arenas. Rate is said to be F.I.C. rate less 25% 'but new rates for future will be advised later'".



(W.H. THOMPSON)  
COLONIAL SECRETARY

Per

0032/111

16th May 1967

414

Coke

Fuel Issued from 23rd March to 16th May 1967

Gardener's Cottage	5 bags
Studio	10 "
Gaol	105 "
Senior School	76 "
Infant School	90 "
Government House	80 "
G.H. Gardens	21 "
F.I.D.F.	35 "
Wireless Station	40 "
Sullivan House	20 "

S.

1815

Total 482 Bags

## In Stock

@ £25.13s.10d per ton	Coke	2,474 Bags
@ £18. 7s. 6d per ton	Coal	1,502 "

fa



16.  
C.S. Noted, thank you.  
Re X, please ask CT to keep me informed.  
Re Y, " " (when asking CS) to make  
preliminary estimates of the extent of the reduction  
Peat Report as at, say, 30 June 67. Ch 26/5

Summary.

In Browning, the Peat Officer, was on leave for most of the season, we had no real control of the peat cutting by Beadmore (it is, I think, true to say he was at war with most of his inclinations) and cutting was not up to the standard which Browning manages to exact.

However when Browning came back he did a thorough check and discovered that things were not as bad as this report made out.

Enough peat had been cut (which is not to say that there could not have been more). Standards vary very much & he did not interfere after with all statements made by the Committee.

Much of the peat examined by the Committee had already shrunk in drying & despite discipline it was not possible to prove all the allegations made.

✓ I had a very thorough discussion with the Peasener & we decided that no further progress would be gained by having a row with the labour, who might well claim that next season, and that a specimen of peat for sale would pass the sins of the lot on to a very few consumers.

X Browning was instructed to exercise strict supervision next season, and to produce accurate figures to allow us to review and, if necessary, alter the price of peat for sale to officers.

Y When oil firing is installed at the major consuming centres our own Government peat cutting task & problem will be considerably reduced. This reduction will, we hope, begin to be felt next season.

Mr Gough has also promised to exercise personal supervision.

S 23/5

No. PWD 010

It is requested that, in any reference to this memorandum the above number and date should be quoted.

MEMORANDUM

25th May, 19 67.

To: The Colonial Secretary,

STANLEY.

From: The Fuel Officer, P.W.D.  
u.f.s. Supt. of Works.

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

SUBJECT:-

Telegram to MacLean & Stapledon.

I have the honour to request that the following telegram be sent to Messrs MacLean & Stapledon, Montevideo:-

"PLEASE SUPPLY 40 TONS COKE PER JUNE 'DARWIN'".

*M. Browning*  
Fuel Officer

*25/5/67*

*18 June*  
*[Signature]*



# GOVERNMENT TELEGRAPH SERVICE

FALKLAND ISLANDS

SENT

P2538 P4776/32/401381 500 11/66 R. Ward 843

Number	Office of Origin	Words	Handed in at	Date
	STANLEY			26.5.67
To	LTF MACSEAPLE MONTVIDEO			HOA/c

No 13 Please supply 40 tons coke per June Darwin

Secretary

ER

Copy to Fuel Officer PWD

Time

416

*[Handwritten signature]*

J.E.

Mr. Thoroughgood enquires  
if he may purchase up  
to six bags of coke from  
Gov. Shocks

16/6/67

Yes.

W.I.

see 418



In the Supreme Court of the Falkland Islands  
 NOTICE UNDER THE ADMINISTRATION OF ESTATES ORDINANCE  
 (Cap. 1)

In the matter of Bernard Leslie Pinnock, deceased, of Stanley, Falkland Islands, who died on the 23rd day of July, 1966.

WHEREAS Raymond David Clements, Attorney for Mrs. Lily Emily Lee, mother of the said deceased, has applied for Letters of Administration to administer the estate of the said deceased in the Colony.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to section 4 of the Administration of Estates Ordinance to all persons resident in the Colony who may have prior claim to such grant that the prayer of the petitioner will be granted provided no caveat be entered in the Supreme Court within twenty-one days of the publication hereof.

H. BENNETT,  
*Registrar.*

Stanley, Falkland Islands,  
 20th February 1967.

SC 13/67

In the Supreme Court of the Falkland Islands  
 NOTICE UNDER THE ADMINISTRATION OF ESTATES ORDINANCE  
 (Cap. 1)

In the matter of Flora B. Stanley, deceased, of Stanley, Falkland Islands, who died on the 1st day of January 1967 at Montserrat.

WHEREAS Murdo Finlayson, Attorney for the said deceased, has applied for Letters of Administration to administer the estate of the said deceased in the Colony.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to section 4 of the Administration of Estates Ordinance to all persons resident in the Colony who may have prior claim to such grant that the prayer of the petitioner will be granted provided no caveat be entered in the Supreme Court within twenty-one days of the publication hereof.

Stanley, Falkland Islands,  
 28th February 1967.

SC 14/67

0032/II

17th June

67

To: Superintendent of Works,

From: Colonial Secretary,

Public Works Department,

STANLEY.

Copy: S.P.T.

Coke

This is to authorise Mr. R. Thorogood to purchase up to  
six bags of coke from Government stocks.

(H.L. Bound)  
for COLONIAL SECRETARY

pmc.

pa



No. PWD 010.

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MEMORANDUM

19th June, 1967.

It is requested that, in any reference to this memorandum the above number and date should be quoted.

From: The Fuel Officer, P.W.D.  
u.f.s. Supt. of Works.

Stanley, Falkland Islands.



To: The Colonial Secretary,

STANLEY.

SUBJECT:-

Telegram to MacLean & Stapledon.

I have the honour to request that the following telegram be sent to Messrs MacLean & Stapledon, Montevideo:-

"PLEASE SUPPLY 80 TONS COKE PER JULY DARWIN".

*L. Browning*  
Fuel Officer.

## GOVERNMENT TELEGRAPH SERVICE

FALKLAND ISLANDSSENT

P25-1 4776/32/401381 500 11/66 R. Ward 843

Number	Office of Origin	Words	Handed in at	Date
	STANLEY			21.6.67
To	LTF MACSTAPLE MONTEVIDEO			HOA/c

No 20 Please supply 80 tons coke per July Darwin

Secretary

Copy to Fuel Officer

Time

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## MEMORANDUM

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17th July, 19 67.

To: The Colonial Secretary,

From: Fuel Officer, Public Works Dept.

STANLEY.

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

SUBJECT:-

Consumption of Coke & Coal.16th May - 15th July, 1967.SULIVAN HOUSE

May, 16th.  
June, 6th  
June, 22nd  
July, 5th

20 bags coke  
20 " "  
20 " "  
30 " "

90  
1 1/2

40 Bags Per month  
→INFANT SCHOOL

May, 19th  
" 24th  
June, 3rd  
" 15th  
" 15th  
July, 4th  
" 11th

20 bags coke  
20 " "  
40 " "  
26 " "  
4 " coal  
35 " coke  
20 " "

165

75 Bags per month  
—GOVERNMENT HOUSE

May, 19th  
June, 3rd

20 bags coke  
30 " "

50

22 Bags Per month.  
—G.H. GARDENS

May, 24th  
June, 22nd  
June, 22nd

20 bags coke  
10 " "  
10 " coal

40

17 Bags Per month  
—GAOL FURNACE

May, 24th  
June, 17th  
" 17th  
" 27th  
July, 4th  
" 11th

60 bags coke  
23 " "  
2 " coal  
25 " coke  
30 " "  
20 " "

160

70 Bags Per month

DARWIN SCHOOL

May, 24th

20 bags coke —

WIRELESS STATION

May, 24th	40	bags	coke
June, 12th	30	"	"
" 24th	25	"	"
July, 4th	30	"	"
" 15th	30	"	"
	<u>155</u>		

70 Bags Per month

BLOCKSHED

May, 25th	20	bags	coke
June, 3rd	20	"	"
" 12th	20	"	"
" 17th	29	"	"
" 17th	1	"	coal
July, 4th	30	"	coke
" 15th	30	"	"
	<u>150</u>		

65 Bags month.

MR. S. BENNETT

MAY, 29th	<u>22</u>	bags	coke
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F.I.D.F.

May, 30th	25	bags	coal
June, 3rd	30	"	coke
July, 11th	20	"	"
	<u>75</u>		

82 Bags Per month

SENIOR SCHOOL

June, 3rd	40	bags	coke
June, 15th	28	"	"
" 15th	2	"	coal
July, 4th	35	"	coke
" 11th	20	"	"
	<u>125</u>		

55 Bags Per month

GARAGE

May, 18th	5	bags	coal
" 31st	5	"	"
June, 9th	5	"	"
" 9th	5	"	coke
July, 4th	5	"	coal
	<u>25</u>		

10.  
5 Bags Per month

CARPENTER'S SHOP

June, 9th	5	bags	coke
" 9th	5	"	coal
July, 15th	5	"	coal
	<u>15</u>		

6 Bags Per month

ADMIRALTY COTTAGE

May, 24th	<u>10</u>	bags	coal
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BLACKSMITH'S SHOP

May, 23rd  
June, 9th  
" 9th  
July, 4th

4 bags coal  
5 bags coke  
5 " coal  
5 " "

19 7 Bags Per month,

NAVVIES SHANTY

May, 25th  
July, 4th

2 bags coal  
4 " coal  
6

5 Bag Per month

PAINT LOCKER

May, 31st

3 bags coal ✓

GARAGE STILL

May, 31st

1 bag coal ✓

HANDYMAN'S SHOP

June, 3rd  
July, 5th

2 bags coal  
2 " "  
4

MR. R. THOROGOOD

June, 22nd  
" 22nd

1 bag coke  
1 " coal  
2

STUDIO

May, 24th  
June, 24th  
July, 15th

5 bags coal  
5 bags coke  
5 " coal  
15

4 Bags Per month

MR. E. DIXON.

June, 27th  
" 27th

11 bags coke  
7 " coal  
18

GARDENER'S COTTAGE G.H.

May, 24th  
June, 30th

5 bags coal  
5 " "  
10

MACHINE SHOP

June, 3rd  
July, 10th

2 bags coal  
2 " "  
4



PLUMBER'S SHOP

June, 3rd  
July, 5th

2	bags	coal
2	"	"
<u>4</u>		

MR. N. BENNETT

June, 22nd

13 bags coal

Total bags in stoke: coke 1838. & Coal 1340.

*L. Browning*  
Fuel Officer.

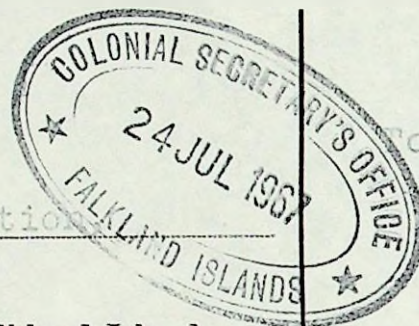


SULIVAN HOUSE	40	Bags	per	Month.
INFANT SCHOOL	75	"	"	"
GOVT. HOUSE.	22	"	"	"
GOVT. GARDENS	17	"	"	"
GAOL FURNACES	70	"	"	"
WIRELESS STN.	70	"	"	"
F.I.D.F.	32	"	"	"
SENIOR SCHOOL	55	"	"	"
GARAGE	10	"	"	"
CARPENDERS SHOP	6	"	"	"
BLACKSMITH SHOP	7	"	"	"
STUDIO	4	"	"	"
BLOCKSHED	65	"	"	"
NAVVIES SHANTY	5	"	"	"

No. 0032/II

MEMORANDUM

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24th July 1967

To: Asst. Colonial Secretary,

From: Supt. of Education

STANLEY

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

SUBJECT :-

Supply of Fuel - Ross Road West 14

May I request permission for fuel to be supplied to the above quarters for the use of Mr. T. Smith who will arrive on the 'DARWIN'.

Mr. Smith will no doubt require fuel until late summer when he can provide his own.

Ag. Supt. of Education

S. A. Booth.

Approved  
D!./

See 423.



0032/II

24th July

To: Superintendent of Works,

From: Colonial Secretary,

Public Works Department,

STANLEY.

Supply of Fuel - Ross Road West 14

Would you please arrange for sufficient solid fuel to be supplied at the prevailing cost to the above quarter to enable the new tenant, Mr. T. Smith, to have sufficient fuel until he is able to provide his own during the Summer.

Mr. Smith is an assistant master, Education Department, and is due to arrive in Stanley by Darwin on the 28th July.

(H.L. Bound)

for COLONIAL SECRETARY

pmc.

# MEMORANDUM

Circular No. 16/67

26th July 1967

Ref: 0032/II

To: All Heads of Departments.

STANLEY.

From: Colonial Secretary.

STANLEY.

Copy: Fuel Officer.

Subject: Consumption of Coke and Coal

The urgent call for a personal control by Heads of Departments over the use of coke and coal contained in my circular of the 1st April appears to have gone largely unregarded.

For example:-

Department	Average consumption per month at time of circular.	Present consump- -tion.	Unexplained increase per month.
Police Station	60 bags	110 bags	50 bags
Government House	20 bags	60 bags	40 bags
Government House Gardens	35 bags	40 bags	5 bags
Senior School	55 bags	105 bags	50 bags
Wireless Station	40 bags	75 bags	35 bags
Studio	5 bags	6 bags	1 bag

In addition the following new consumers have come on to the books:-

P.W.D. Block Shed	80 bags per month
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Why the block shed of all places should consume so much to keep its fires burning must surely be a matter for investigation by the Superintendent of Works.

F.I.D.F. 60 bags per month

Considering that the F.I.D.F. area is used for a very small number of hours in the day it would appear that there is no attempted economy.

Infants' School	83 bags per month
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Again I must observe that fuel is almost certainly being used unnecessarily.

P.W.D. Garage                      25 bags have been used since this  
came onto the fuel issue rota

There is a need for economy here.

Carpenter's Shop                15 bags of coke and coal have been  
used in one month.

Blacksmith's Shop                      19 bags have been used in 5 weeks.



Navvies' Shop

6 bags of coal were used between  
May 25th and July 4th.

Handymen's Shop is using one bag of coal a week.

Plumbers' Shop

1 bag of coal a week.

Sullivan House boiler is also using coke at the rate of one bag  
a day. Every attempt is being made to cut this  
down.

The Fuel Officer has been instructed to report on any  
boiler which does not decrease its consumption by a realistic  
amount and any boiler which does not show savings will be the  
subject of arbitrary ration which envisages a  $33\frac{1}{3}\%$  cut. The  
Fuel Officer's next report is due on my table on the 6th of  
August.

*W. H. Thompson*

(W.H. Thompson)

COLONIAL SECRETARY

pmc.

*Pa*

No.

It is requested that, in any reference to this memorandum the above number and date should be quoted.

# MEMORANDUM



27th July 1967

Colonial Secretary.

Ag. Superintendent of Education.

Stanley.

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

D.I.

28h

SUBJECT:- Consumption of Coke - Senior & Infant Schools

With regard to the increase in the fuel consumption at the two schools, may I respectfully bring to your attention the following points:-

1. There is naturally a greater consumption during the midwinter months than in early autumn.
2. During March a considerable amount of peat dust and wet blocks were being used to eke out the fuel supply. This additional fuel has now been used up.
3. Evening classes are held during the winter months and this entails extra firing on four evenings per week.
4. Since the fire doors broke off the boiler at the Infant School, the front doors have been wired on in a rather temporary manner, leaving considerable air gaps. This makes the boiler very inefficient and so consumes considerably more fuel in order to maintain a reasonable temperature.

Although, of course, every effort will be made to conserve fuel, in view of these points I cannot see the possibility of any appreciable decrease in consumption before the warmer weather.

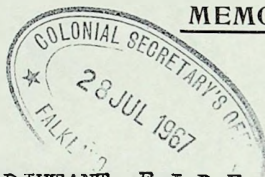
S. A. Booth.



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MEMORANDUM



27th July, 19 67.

From: ADJUTANT, F.I.D.F.

To: The Caterer and Caretaker,  
F.I.D.F. Club and Drill Hall,  
STANLEY.

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

SUBJECT :-

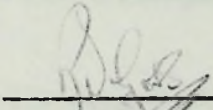
Consumption of Coke and Coal

The Honourable the Colonial Secretary has drawn my attention, by departmental circular, to the fact that the Defence Force buildings are consuming some 60 bags of fuel per month, and states that "considering that the F.I.D.F. area is used for a very small number of hours in the day it would appear that there is no attempted economy."

On present total usage it seems obvious that unless great care is taken in the use of coke and coal Government will be obliged to introduce a system of allocation or rationing throughout it's various Departments. I am therefore to urge you to apply the strictest economy in fuel consumption with a view to reducing the present monthly consumption of 60 bags to a maximum monthly quota of 40 - 45 bags.

Yours sincerely,

c.c. Hon. Col. Sec. ✓

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
CAPTAIN,  
ADJUTANT.

*Pa*

15th August

67

To: Superintendent of Work,

From: Colonial Secretary,

STANLEY.

Copy: Govt. Fuel Officer.

Peat

In view of the various notices now being put out over the radio I hope Government's request for peat cutting will not be too much delayed.

(W.H. Thompson)  
COLONIAL SECRETARY

pnc.

Co.



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MEMORANDUM

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21st August.

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To The Colonial Secretary,

From Fuel Officer, Public Works Dept.

STANLEY.

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

SUBJECT:- Consumption of Coke & Coal  
16th July - 21st August 1967.

21/8.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE GARDENS.

July 21st.  
August 10th.

17 bags coke ✓  
17 " " ✓

F.I.D.F.

July 21st.  
" 21st  
August 3rd..

20 bags coke ✓  
12 " coal ✓  
70 " coke

MR. R. THOROGOOD

July 21st  
" 21st

1 bag coke ✓  
1 " coal

SULIVAN COTTAGE.

July 24th  
" 24th

5 bags coke ✓  
5 " coal

SENIOR SCHOOL

July 24th  
" 24th

40 bags coke. ✓  
15 " coal

SULIVAN HOUSE

July 24th

40 bags coke. ✓

ADMIRALTY COTTAGE.

August 10th

10 bags coal ✓

MR. H.L BOUND.

August 10th

2 bags coal ✓

BLACKSMITH

July 21st

10 bags coal ✓

NAVVIES SHANTY

July 21st

2 bags coal ✓

MACHINE SHOP

July 21st

2 bags coal ✓

HANDYMANS SHOP

July 21st

2 bags coal ✓

CARPENTERS SHOP

July 21st

5 bags coal ✓ much improved

PAINT LOCKER.

July 21st

2 bags coal ✓

MR. J BLYTH.

July 28th

2 bags coal ✓

BLOCKSHED

July 28th  
" 28th

50 bags Coke  
20 " coal

} 60 bags.

INFANT SCHOOL

July 28th  
" 28th

23 coke  
38 bags coal

✓ 75 bags

GAOL FURNACES

August 3rd

70 bags coke.

✓  
70

WIRELESS STATION.

August 3rd

70 bags coke.

✓

STUDIO

August 17th

5 bags coke

✓

PLUMBERS SHOP

August 17th

2 bags coke.

✓

GARAGE

July 21st

10 bags coal

✓

Total bags in stock 1202 coal, 1808 coke.

*Browning*  
Fuel Officer



M E M O R A N D U MCircular No. 18/67

24th August 1967

Ref: 0032/II

To: All Heads of Departments,

STANLEY.

From: Colonial Secretary,

STANLEY.

Copy: Fuel Officer.

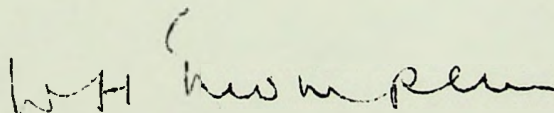
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Subject: Consumption of Coke and Coal

Please refer to my circular number 16/67 of the 26th July 1967.

The only consumer not showing adequate saving over the period is the P.W.D. Block Shed. A ration of 60 bags per month is therefore imposed.

Other consumers will remain without alteration at last month's issue figure. No excess will be permitted.



(W.H. Thompson)

COLONIAL SECRETARY

pmc.



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430

12th September

67.

To: The Private Secretary,

From: Colonial Secretary,

Government House,

STANLEY.

Fuel Consumption.

424 + 429

Please refer to my Circulars Nos. 16 & 18/67.

The recent demands for the Government House greenhouses have shown that little, if any, attempt is being made to exercise economy and Government House has now jumped to the head of the "over-expenditure" list.

There is no need whatsoever for greenhouses to be kept at high heat and the ration must, I regret, be adhered to.

(W.H. THOMPSON)  
COLONIAL SECRETARY

Reply at 431.

Pa



To: The Colonial Secretary.  
STANLEY.

18th September, 1967.

Sir,

430.

W1

2119

With reference your memorandum No 0032/11, I respectfully submit the following.

The greatest economy has been observed on the use of coke. We received the last consignment on the 23rd August, and it lasted until the 11th September, a total of twenty days. The number of bags received was seventeen, so we have been using less than a bag a day.

At the moment in the green-house, there are over 6,000 (six thousand) seedlings or young plants. It is most important that at this time of the year a certain temperature must be obtained in the green-house because of these young plants. This is the most important time (in the spring) for the growing of young plants for the conservatory at Government House.

I would suggest Sir, that perhaps you would like to visit the garden green-house and see the situation for yourself and this would also give me a chance to explain the matter more fully.

I am,  
Sir,  
Your obedient servant,

*E Williams*  
Head Gardener.

*I will speak  
W1*

*pa*

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MEMORANDUM

22nd September

1967.

To:- Colonial Secretary,

STANLEY

From:- Fuel Officer, Public Works Dept.

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

SUBJECT:-

Consumption of Coke & Coal22nd August - 20th September 1967SULIVAN COTTAGE.

August 22nd.  
" 22nd

5 bags Coke  
5 " Coal

BLOCKSHED

August 22nd  
September 11th.

40 bags Coke  
45 " "

SULIVAN HOUSE

August 22nd  
September 20th

40 bags Coke  
40 " "

GOVERNMENT HOUSE GARDENS

August 24th  
September 29th

17 bags Coke  
17 " "

INFANT SCHOOL

August 8th

75 bags Coke

SENIOR SCHOOL

August 24th

55 bags Coke

PAINT LOCKER

August 24th  
September 20th

2 bags Coke  
2 bags "

MACHINE SHOP

August 24th  
September 20th

2 bags Coke  
2 " "

BLACKSMITH SHOP

August 24th  
September 20th

2 bags Coke  
7 " "

CARPENTERS SHOP

August 24th  
September 29th

3 bags Coke  
5 " "

GARAGE

August 24th  
September 20th

10 bags Coke  
10 " "

HANDYMANS SHOP

August 24th  
September 20th

2 bags Coke  
2 " "

WIRELESS STATION.

September 4th

70 bags Coke



GAOL FURNACE.

September 5th

70 bags Coke ✓

NAVAL W/T STATION.

September 7th

6 bags Coke ✓

F.I.D.F.

September 19th

34 bags Coke ✓

ADMIRALTY COTTAGE.

September 19th

10 bags Coal ✓

STUDIO

September 20th

5 bags Coke ✓

MR. R.V.GOSS

August 22nd  
September 8th

2 bags Coal ✓  
2 bags "

GARDENERS COTTAGE

August 25th

5 bags Coal ✓

MR. G.DIXON

August 26th

7 bags Coal ✓

MR. B.S.GOODWIN.

August 8th  
September 6th

1 bag Coal ✓  
2 bags "

MR. B.D.BIGGS.

September 5th

2 bags Coal ✓

MR.R.W.HILLS

September 7th

13 bags Coal ✓

MR. R.MIRANDA

September 13th

5 bags Coal ✓

MR.B.L.BIGGS.

September 29th

2 bags Coal ✓

NAVVIES SHANTY

August 24th  
September 20th

2 bags Coke ✓  
2 " "

Total bags in stock - 1146 Coal, 1226 Coke.

*for drawing*  
Fuel Officer.

28th September

67

To: Superintendent,

From: Colonial Secretary,

Posts & Telecommunications Dept.

STANLEY.

Consumption of Coke and Coal

The last return of coke used shows that the Wireless Station is the only boiler and organization in Stanley not to have effected economy. Similar boilers are using forty bags of coke a month as against seventy for your organization.

I am fully aware of the fact that I shall be told that the Wireless Station must be properly heated, but at least let it be done as economically as possible. You are held personally responsible for putting my orders into effect and I must stress this.

(W.H. Thompson)  
COLONIAL SECRETARY



28th September

67

To: Officer-in-Charge,  
Police,

From: Colonial Secretary,

STANLEY.

Consumption of Coke and Coal

Your consumption is still running at the rate of seventy bags a month whereas boilers of a similar capacity elsewhere get by on very much less.

Your allocation of seventy bags is now reduced to sixty and you are warned that you are expected to get by on fifty.

(W.H. Thompson)  
COLONIAL SECRETARY

Reply 439.

pmc.

Pa

C.S.

I have been discussing heat problems with the Heat Officer who points out that up until last year heat was supplied to the various Govt. consumers from the general bank of heat produced, in other words no particular house was allocated to a particular building. With the installation of oil firing the amount of heat required is declining & there is already a surplus of banks which could be allocated to the public.

He suggests that the following houses be allocated a particular bank & after retaining a safe margin for those establishments that have not yet been converted to oil, he will reallocate the remainder.

Govt. House  
 Swinton House  
 Cockerill G.H.  
 Graham's Cottage  
 J. Kerr  
 S.M.O.  
 Nurses' Home  
 Ross Rd. Flats  
 Old Drug Store  
 I. Campbell  
 St. Ashmore.

~~Agreed~~  
~~C.S.~~  
 Agreed.  
 W.I.  
 14/10

He does however point out that there will be very few available in any case.

13/10/67



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Sfw.

Pl. see 435 + inform Pent  
Office that CS. agrees.

14.10.67

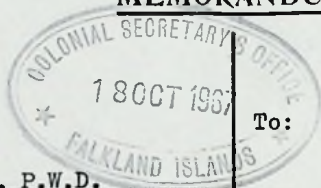
C.S. Issue done 16/10/67

pa

No. PWD 010

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MEMORANDUM



17th October, 1967.

To: The Colonial Secretary,

From: The Fuel Officer, P.W.D.  
u.f.s. Supt. of Works.

STANLEY.

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

SUBJECT :-

Telegram to MacLean & Stapledon.

I have the honour to request that the following telegram be sent to Messrs MacLean & Stapledon, Montevideo:-

"PLEASE SUPPLY 40 TONS COKE ~~PER~~ NOVEMBER DARWIN".

*A. Brown*  
Fuel Officer.



## GOVERNMENT TELEGRAPH SERVICE

438

FALKLAND ISLANDSSENT

P2538 P4776/32/401381 500 11/66 R. Ward 843

Number	Office of Origin	Words	Handed in at	Date
	STANLEY			18.10.67
To				
LET MACSTAPLE MONTEVIDEO				HOA/c

No 36 Please supply 40 tons coke November Darwin

Secretary

Time

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Pa

No. 0032/11.

It is requested that, in any reference to this memorandum the above number and date should be quoted.



30th October, 1967.

From: Officer in Charge Police

To: The Colonial Secretary.

STANLEY.

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

SUBJECT:-

Consumption of Coke and Coal

With reference your memorandum No 0032/11 of the 28th of September 1967, reference is made to similar boilers in use in other Government Departments getting by on less fuel than the boiler in use in this Department, with the result that the fuel supply is being reduced from 70 bags of coke to 60 bags.

In view of this, I must point out that the Police Department is operating 24 hours a day, 365 days of the year. 70 bags of coke per month is not excessive when compared with Departments with a maximum operational period of 45 hours per week and this can be further reduced by public holidays and weekends.

Another point which must be taken into consideration is that the boiler, besides supplying heat to the living quarters, the cells, guard-room, the office and St. Mary's Church, also supplies hot water for domestic purposes to the Station and bath-room in the living quarters.

Several months ago we received a consignment of coal for the boiler. The consumption of coal was such that it reduced the amount used by over 50% ~~xxxxxxx~~ compared with coke.

It is also a bad policy for the Public Works to supply fuel to different departments without first signing for it, this would prevent any mis-understanding the amounts delivered.

*Peck.*  
Officer in Charge Police.



0032/II

440

3 November

67

To: Officer-in-Charge,  
Police,  
From: Colonial Secretary,

STANLEY.

Consumption of Coke and Coal

I refer to your memorandum of 30th October.

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I am not asking you to compare your coal and coke consumption with any other department, but to reduce consumption.

It might interest you to know that the Sullivan House boiler, which burns twenty-four hours a day, has, being properly stoked, and by the wedging of a 1 inch square of tin into the handle of the fire box, had its consumption reduced by half. If I can do it you can!

(W.H. Thompson)  
COLONIAL SECRETARY

*Handwritten signature*

pmc.

GOVERNMENT TELEGRAPH SERVICE

FALKLAND ISLANDS

SENT

P2538 P4776/32/401381 500 11/66 R. Ward 843

Number	Office of Origin	Words	Handed in at	Date
	STANLEY			10.11.67
To	LRF MACSTAPLE MONTEVIDEO			MDA/c

438  
No 41 Mytel 36 no coke received stop Please encure eighty tons  
shipped next Darwin stop If unable obtain inform immediately

Secretary

Copy to S.P.W.  
Peat Officer

Time

PER



No. 0032/11.

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MEMORANDUM

11th November 1967.

To:- The Colonial Secretary

Secretariat

STANLEY.

From:- Fuel Officer, P.W.D. Department

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

SUBJECT:- Consumption of Coal & Coke.  
23rd September - 11th November 1967.

Mr. B.S.GOODWIN.

25/9/67

1 Bag Coal.

Mr. J.ALLAN.

29/9/67

2 Bags coal

5/10/67

2 bags coal

11/10/67

2 bags coal

16/10/67

2 bags coal

27/10/67

2 bags coal

10/11/67

2 bags coal

MRS. K.CHRIST

29/9/67

2 bags coal

5/10/67

2 bags coal

11/10/67

2 bags coal

16/10/67

2 bags coal

STILL PLANT

3/10/67

2 bags coal

SULIVAN COTTAGE.

5/10/67

5 bags coal

27/10/67

10 bags coal

MR G. DIXON

5/10/67

5 bags coal

A.O. SOUTH GEORGIA

11/10/67

4 bags coal

F.J. BIGGS.

11/10/67

2 bags coal

DR. SLESSOR

16/10/67

13 bags coal

GARDENERS COTTAGE.

19/10/67

10 bags coal

10/11/67

5 bags coal



R.W. HILLS.

21/10/67

13 bags coal

STUDIO

1/11/67

5 bags coal

GAOL FURNACES

2/11/67

60 bags coal

11/10/67

60 bags coke

WIRELESS STATION.

5/10/67

60 bags coke

7/11/67

60 bags coke

G.H. GARDENS

7/10/67

17 bags coke

10/11/67

17 bags coke

P.W.D. STORE

27/10/67

4 bags coke

BLACKSMITH

2/11/67

7 bags coke

GOVERNMENT HOUSE

12/11/67

20 bags coke

Total Stock:-

COAL :- 991 bags

COKE :- 981 bags

*Hoening*.....

Fuel Officer.

11/11/67



DECODE.

TELEGRAM.

*From* ..... Macstaple, Montevideo .....

*To* ..... Colonial Secretary, Stanley .....

*Despatched :* 11th November, 1967 *Time :* 1128

*Received :* 13th November, 1967 *Time :* 0945

4441  
Your telegram No 41. As coke ordered for  
November Darwin we did not ship will do next trip

Macstaple

P/L : ER  
Intld. H.L.B.  
Copy to Peat Officer

443  


444

Y.E.:

I have been having a long term look at the peat situation, and it appears to me that

- (a) there is enough peat;
- (b) more and more it will become a personal fuel for homes and less and less a bulk fuel for installations;
- and (c) as far as persons are concerned the difficulty lies not so much in cutting ~~but~~ in carting.

We now have two and one half effective hauliers with between them three lorries dating back to the war or beyond. These lorries are held together by pieces of string and there is very little likelihood that they can last more than another couple of seasons. The cost of a replacement lorry in new condition, with freight, can be anything up to £1,800 - a figure quite out of reach of our peat contractors.

I can think of no better use for some of our Development Fund than to make grants of up to fifty per centum of the purchase price of new lorries where they are used exclusively for peat carting in Stanley. The more I think of it the more I believe that Government has a duty to guarantee delivery of fuel to keep the home fires burning.

If this could be agreed at the time of the next Estimates the lorries might arrive in early 1969, but, if present delivery standards are anything to go by, it is almost certain that they would miss the 1968/1969 peat season and effectively they would not be of any use until the 1969/1970 season. If the hauliers' present lorries last that long I shall be very surprised.

61.  
C.S. 14:11:67

pnc.

445

C.S. I think that your idea has much to recommend it. Please discuss when you & C.T. come to see me on Monday 27<sup>th</sup>. I should like to know C.T.'s views as a person much concerned with peat.

CH 28/11



30 November

67

Dear Sirs,

I shall be grateful for your personal advice on one aspect of the future of peat supplies for Stanley.

Please could you meet me in my office at 9.30 a.m. on the 6th December.

Yours faithfully,

(W.H. Thompson)  
COLONIAL SECRETARY

H.L. Bound Esq., J.P.,  
STANLEY.

S. Bennett Esq.,  
STANLEY.

D.L. Browning Esq.,  
STANLEY.

pmc.

*See 447  
meeting held 6.12.67  
S.H. 10.1.68*

I discussed the provision of aid to peat hauliers with the A.C.S., S. Bennett and the Fuel Officer on the 6th December. The following emerged:

They all agreed that as long as peat exists and as long as it remains the cheapest fuel it will have to be hauled.

There are 420 peat banks in use and the present hauliers divide these fairly equally although Keith Stewart seems to have the edge with 121 "contracts".

The present condition of peat lorries is as follows:-

Triggs - not working, spares not available;

Morrison - not working, broken chassis;

Clive Allan - no work this season;  
(in hospital with T.B.) *long way home.*

Keith Stewart - running.

Agreed that Government should, as a matter of urgency, devise some means of importing, or underwriting the import of, peat lorries.

I have discussed with R.V. Goss in his capacity as an M.L.C. who agrees with the views set out above.

*S.*

C.S. 12:12:67

pmc.

*on 1/4/68*



0032/11

448

11th January,

68

To: Fuel Officer,

From: The Colonial Secretary.

STANLEY.

u.f.s. Superintendent Public Works,

Maintenance of Fuel Stocks

I refer to our recent conversation concerning coal and coke stocks.

Based on actual quantities used, and taking into account the probable future effect of all firing conversions, you are to maintain a coal and coke reserve as follows:

Coke 1,000 bags (present stock in hand 832 bags)

Coal 500 bags (present stock in hand 924 bags)

Our regular bi-monthly examination of fuel stocks and users measures of economy control will continue.

Copies: H.E.  
C.T.  
S.P.W.  
AA

*Supplies Officer*

  
COLONIAL SECRETARY



449

12th January, 1968.

Dear Consul,

I wonder if you can help us. We have a fuel problem and remarkable as it may seem we are forced to import coke and coal. Although we are told that Uruguay is eager to export we just cannot obtain satisfaction of our orders.

For example: in June 1967 we ordered forty tons of coke. This was received.

In July we ordered eighty tons but none of this was delivered and, despite enquiries nothing has been heard of this.

Finally in November a telegraphic plea for eighty tons brought a delivery of only ten tons.

Is Uruguay in fact able to deliver coke at all or must we look to the United Kingdom for our supplies?

If this question can be answered we shall at least know where we are.

Yours faithfully,

601

(H. H. Thompson)  
COLONIAL SECRETARY.

H.B.M. Consul,  
MONTEVIDEO.

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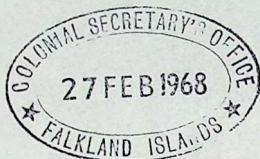
Reply at 450.



(17/3)  
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BRITISH EMBASSY,  
MONTEVIDEO.



23 February 1968.

Dear Acting Governor,

449.

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4/3

Please refer to your letter 0032/II of 12 January about your fuel problems.

2. I am not sure that our enquiries have really got to the bottom of the problem at this end, but the following information may help you to reach a decision on your future procurement policy for coke. Uruguay cannot supply coal. The Gas Company is the sole supplier of coke and although they are not at present in a position to import any more coal they have stocks of coke, and have told us that they would be ready and willing to supply 20 to 30 tons per Darwin sailing, provided they are given sufficient warning to prepare the coke for shipping. Apart from this it is necessary for an export licence to be obtained from the Ministry of Industry and Commerce, and at least two months notice is desirable in view of the bureaucratic intricacies through which the application has to pass

3. There may be further problems which our enquiries have failed to bring to light, but Maclean and Stapledon are proposing to ship if possible by the sailing which carries this letter or failing this by the next once, a trial consignment of coke for which they have a valid export licence. You might therefore like to give the Montevideo route another month or two's trial, but if it continues to prove unreliable then I fear you may have no choice but to order direct from the United Kingdom.

Yours sincerely,

K. F. Burns

(K. F. X. Burns)

W. H. Thompson, Esq.,  
Officer Administering the Government,  
FALKLAND ISLANDS.

0032 /11

451

5th March

63.

Dear Sirs,

Will you please continue to ship ten tons of coke per voyage of R.M.S. Darwin, chargeable to this Government,

We hope very much that you will be able to obtain the required export permits.

Please let me know if you cannot do so.

Yours faithfully,

(W. H. THOMPSON)  
COLONIAL SECRETARY

MacLean & Stapledon, S.A.,  
Casilla de Correo, 193,  
Montevideo,  
URUGUAY.

Copies: SPW  
Peat Officer.

Reply at 452

AA



# MACLEAN & STAPLEDON S.A.

FUNDADA EN 1901

CODIGOS  
NEW BOE CODE WITH "Q" LIST  
BENTLEY'S SECOND PHRASE CODE

CASILLA DE CORREO 193

COLON 1486-90

**MONTEVIDEO**

TELEX: 770 MACSTAP CX

DIRECCION TELEGRAFICA  
MACSTAPLE MONTEVIDEO  
TELEFONOS 974 74/78  
T. T. 27

(URUGUAY)

13th. March, 1968

Colonial Secretary  
PORT STANLEY



61 25/3

Dear Sir:-

We acknowledge receipt of your favour dated 5th instant, contents of which were noted. 451

In reply, please note that per this "Darwin" opportunity we are shipping 70 tons carbon coke chargeable to that Government and therefore would appreciate your advice as to whether if besides this amount you wish to receive 10 tons per each voyage of the "Darwin".

In respect of the required export permits, there will be no difficulty in obtaining same.

Awaiting your reply as soon as possible in order to prepare the 10 tons for the April shipment, we remain,

Yours faithfully,  
MACLEAN & STAPLEDON, S. A.

*Wamail*

GAM/vd.

GOVERNMENT TELEGRAPH SERVICE

FALKLAND ISLANDS

SENT

P2538 P4776/32/401381 500 11/66 R. Ward 843

Number	Office of Origin	Words	Handed in at	Date
	STANLEY			25.3.68
To	LTP MACSTAPLE MONTEVIDEO			HOA/C

452  
No 11 Carbon Coke yourlet 13th March stop 70 tons  
enough for time being will re-order in 10 ton lots  
later

Secretary

Time

AA

Bu 25.4.68



0032/11

454

2nd May

68.

To: Fuel Officer,

From: The Colonial Secretary.

Public Works Department,

STANLEY.

Copies : S.P.W., Mr. F. Lomax.

This is to advise you that the Colonial Secretary has authorised the sale of coal from Government to Mr. Frank Lomax of the British Antarctic Survey, Stanley.

(R. BROWNING)  
for COLONIAL SECRETARY

AA.

fa

24th May

455  
68

From: The Colonial Secretary,

To: Fuel Officer,  
Public Works Department,

STANLEY

Copies to: SPW and Mr. T. Alazia

Sale of coal

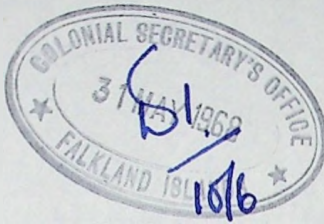
This is to advise you that the Colonial Secretary has authorised the sale of coal from Government to Mr. Tony Alazia of the Public Works Department, Stanley.

(R. Browning)  
for COLONIAL SECRETARY

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Falkland Islands Defence Force Club,

STANLEY.

30th May, 1968.

The Honourable  
The Colonial Secretary,  
STANLEY.

Dear Sir,

I have been instructed by the committee of the F.I.D.F. Club to write to you regarding the heating, or rather the lack of it, in our Club rooms.

The boiler that we have is one of the large type as it supplies both the Canteen and the Drill Hall. The Caretaker assures me that it would use six bags of coke per day to maintain a reasonable heat through the day and for banking down at night.

The present supply of coke, 30 bags per month is sufficient only for use in the small open grate and for lighting the boiler once a week, usually Drill nights, this also serves to air the F.I.D.F. equipment to a small extent.

During the summer our good Caretaker started putting coke aside for the winter but this excellent scheme was defeated by a conscientious Fuel Officer, who, instead of giving 30 bags per month only gave enough to bring the total up to 30.

We would be grateful therefore if you would give kind consideration to increasing our coke issue to at least ~~120~~ 150 bags per month.

Yours faithfully,

Reply at 457

*John W. W.*

Secretary,

F.I.D.F. CLUB.

10th June, 68.

Dear Sir,

450.  
Thank you for your letter of the 30th May concerning heating of the Club rooms.

I regret I am unable to accede to your request for a supply of 150 bags of coke per month at a cost of 26/- per bag. At such a ration scale the entire Colony's stock would not last more than a year.

Looking back on my files I see that in a similar period last year your consumption was at the rate of  $12\frac{1}{2}$  bags per week. For reasons of economy your caretaker was instructed not to exceed 32 bags per month.

As a special measure I am prepared to allow you 12 bags a week to a total of not more than 48 bags per calendar month. By copy of this letter, the Fuel Officer is instructed to increase delivery.

I must point out to you that a similar boiler to that used by your caretaker can be kept alight, and doing a good job, on one and a quarter bags of coke per day. With careful stoking my own boiler at Sullivan House can be managed on something like 24 bags a month.

I shall be glad if you will refer me to the original authority whereby Government undertook to supply the Club with fuel free of charge.

Yours faithfully,

(W.H. THOMPSON)  
COLONIAL SECRETARY.

N. Watson, Esq.,  
Secretary,  
F.I.D.F. Club.

c.c. Fuel Officer.

SC

see 459



10th June,

68.

Superintendent, Public Works Department

Colonial Secretary.

c.c. Fuel Officer.

Will you please arrange for the Fuel Officer to take over the balance of Miss Battrick's fuel when she leaves her flat, handing it over to Miss Swanick. The Fuel Officer should agree the price with Miss Battrick who will then collect the money from Miss Swanick.

I realise this is a somewhat unusual arrangement.

(W.H. THOMPSON)  
COLONIAL SECRETARY.

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459

FALKLAND ISLANDS DEFENCE FORCE CLUB,

STANLEY,

23RD JULY, 1968.



S.I. 29h  
422

DEAR SIR,

457  
THANK YOU FOR YOUR LETTER OF THE 10TH JUNE,  
1968 GRANTING AN INCREASE IN OUR COKE ISSUE.

WE APPRECIATE THAT A COKE ISSUE OF 150 BAGS  
PER MONTH WOULD BE A VERY EXPENSIVE ITEM AT 26/- PER  
BAG. AND, ON REFLECTION, THE ESTIMATE GIVEN US BY THE  
CARETAKER GAVE NO THOUGHT TO COSTS.

WE WOULD LIKE TO POINT OUT THAT THE BOILER HAS  
A VERY LARGE CIRCUIT TO COVER, THE F.I.D.F. CLUB UPSTAIRS  
AND DOWNSTAIRS, THE DRILL HALL, ARMOURY, EQUIPMENT STORE  
AND OFFICES. ONE OR MORE OF THESE APARTMENTS (EXCLUDING  
THE F.I.D.F. CLUB) IS USED ON PRACTICALLY EVERY DAY OF  
THE WEEK BY SUCH ORGANISATIONS AS THE DEFENCE FORCE,  
ROYAL MARINES, BOYS BRIGADE, LIFE BOYS, SMALL BORE RIFLE  
CLUB, SCHOOL-CHILDREN AND THE ARMOURER. AT THE MOMENT  
MR CLIFTON IS FINDING IT IMPOSSIBLE TO KEEP THE BUILDING  
WARM FOR EVERYONE.

TO EASE THE HEATING PROBLEM AND RESULTING  
COMPLAINTS, THE FIDF CLUB COMMITTEE REASSERT THAT THE  
INSTALLATION OF OIL FIRING IS GIVEN EARLY ATTENTION.

WITH REFERENCE TO YOUR FINAL PARAGRAPH, I AM  
UNABLE TO TRACE THE ORIGINAL AUTHORITY WHEREBY GOVERNMENT  
UNDERTOOK TO SUPPLY THE CLUB WITH FREE FUEL.  
ON APPROACHING SOME OF THE CLUB VETERANS I WAS TOLD THAT  
THIS HAD BEEN THE PRACTICE SINCE TIME IMMEMORIAL.

YOURS FAITHFULLY,

Neil Watson.  
SECRETARY.

THE HONOURABLE,  
THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,  
STANLEY.

Reply at 461.



29th July,

68.

Superintendent,

Colonial Secretary.

Public Works Department.

Oil Firing - F.I.D.F.

Can you give me an approximate estimate of completion date?

(W.H. THOMPSON)  
COLONIAL SECRETARY

SC

Reply at 462 + 462a

29th July,

68.

Dear Sir,

459

Thank you for your letter of the 23rd July, concerning coke.

I am investigating the oil firing situation and will do all I can to help matters along.

Yours faithfully,

(W.H. THOMPSON)  
COLONIAL SECRETARY.

Secretary,  
F.I.D.F. Club,  
Stanley.

SC

See. 6. 8. 68.



COL. SEC.



3rd Aug. 68

462

W1  
8/8

F. i D. F.

As we are starting to break out the concrete base Monday 5th. I instructed only sufficient cote be issued for the weekend instead of the normal monthly issue.

Shd.

No. PWD 065.

It is requested that, in any reference to this memorandum the above number and date should be quoted.

MEMORANDUM

3rd August, 1968.

To: The Colonial Secretary,

From: Superintendent of Works, P.W.D.

STANLEY.

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

SUBJECT:-

Oil Firing - F.I.D.F.

Reference your letter 0032/II dated 29th July, 1968.

Latter part of this month.

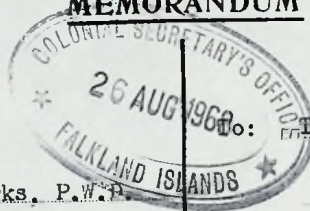
*J. W. Lyons*  
Supt. of Works.



No. PWD 065.

It is requested that, in any reference to this memorandum the above number and date should be quoted.

MEMORANDUM



22nd August, 1968. 463

To: The Colonial Secretary,

From: Superintendent of Works, P.W.D.

STANLEY.

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

SUBJECT :-

F.I.D.F. Heating.

Work will be complete today - test firing hoped for this afternoon.

*Sturges*  
Supt. of Works.

464  
Work now complete and in operation  
*Sturges* 24/8

*Wi* 26/8

Recd 25.10.68  
XIV 466.

*Pa*

46-

25th February, 69.

Superintendent, Public Works  
Department.

Colonial Secretary

Peat Carting

The Government House peat is now ready for carting. Please arrange.

As you only have one lorry how do you propose to move the other Government  
peat?

(W.H. THOMPSON)  
COLONIAL SECRETARY

129



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

It is requested that, in any reference to this memorandum the above number and date should be quoted.



466

3rd. June, 1969.

To: Colonial Secretary,

STANLEY.

From: Superintendent of Works, P.W.D.

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

SUBJECT :-

COKE & COAL.

Remaining in stock are

600 bags of Coke

300 bags of Coal

The expected Winter demand has been met and it would be reasonable to suggest the Col. Sec. authorise 15 bags of Coke and 5 bags of Coal for the Doctor's use at Cable Cottage, to cover the period June 1st - October 31st.

*J. W. Lyons*

Supt, of Works.

Reply of  
f. 467

0032/11

4th June

69

~~466~~  
467

To: Supt. Public Works Dept.,

From: Colonial Secretary,

STANLEY.

Copy to: S.M.O.

Issue of Coke and Coal.

466  
Thank you for your memo. of 3rd June 1969 regarding the issue of fuel to Cable Cottage. I am accordingly authorising the issue of 15 bags of coke and 5 bags of coal to cover the period 1st June to 31st October.

The account for this delivery should be submitted to the Senior Medical Officer.

(H. L. Bound)  
for COLONIAL SECRETARY.

MR.

P.P.



00321

XXX

468

No. G/C53

## MEMORANDUM

It is requested that, in any reference to this memorandum the above number and date should be quoted.



7th July, 1969. 19

To: The Assistant Colonial Secretary

From: The Supplies Officer  
Central Store,  
Stanley, Falkland Islands.

Secretariat,

Stanley.

SUBJECT:- Coke from Montevideo.

I understand that the "Forrest" is to make a voyage to Montevideo during August. If this is correct, could reserve space be held on her return voyage for 50 tons of Coke.

Would you please advise me in ample time if space is available so that I can place an order with Maclean & Stapledon by next outgoing mail.

469

Supplies Officer.

Am. Can you confirm earliest that space will be available. In addition to above we expect a fair quantity of heavy mail + 60 drums avgas.

8.7.69

470

C.S. MR. Solis has spoken to ACS, regarding above.  
9.7.69 J. J. H. M.

17th July,

69

To: The Supplies Officer,

Central Store,

From: The Colonial Secretary,

STANLEYCable from Montevideo

Your Memorandum G/C53 of the 7th July, 1969.

468

2. I have now discussed this matter with Mr. Sollis and it is agreed that provided sufficient space is available after loading essential food stuffs, mail and Avgas, this can be allocated to your order. By copy of this Memorandum I am asking Mr. Sollis to keep you advised.

(H. L. BOUND)  
for COLONIAL SECRETARY

P



0032/II

472

1st September 69

To: The Superintendent,

From: The Colonial Secretary.

Public Works Department,

STANLEY.

Copy to: S.M.O.

Issue of Coke and Coal

I should be grateful if a further supply of 15 bags of coke and 5 bags of coal could be delivered to Cable Cottage.

2. The account for this delivery should be submitted to the Senior Medical Officer.

(H.L. BOUND)  
For COLONIAL SECRETARY

P. 2

HRB.

No.

It is requested  
that, in any refer-  
ence to this memo-  
randum the above  
number and date  
should be quoted.

## MEMORANDUM

5th. September, 19 69.

To: Acting Colonial Secretary,

STANLEY.

From: Superintendent of Works, P.W.D.

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

SUBJECT :-

PEAT.

I recommend that tenders be called for a limited amount of peat cutting this season.

The Supplies Officer informs me that there is doubt of obtaining further supplies of Coke.

Assistance for new arrivals requiring a load or two on repayment, and as is the case, of the Aviation and Agricultural team free issues.

I suggest 300 yards, the Fuel Officer assures me there is a bank adequate for this.

C.T.  
Do you agree pl?

26.9.69

ACI. approved. L.G. 8/9/69

Supt. of Works.



SPW

474

To note approval of request at J. 473.  
Wd. for pl. prepare a notice for issue.

12.9.69

A.C.S.

475

Re cutting & rickling of

Tenders are invited for <sup>cubic</sup> 300 yds of peat cutting and rickling. Information relating to the peat bank can be obtained from the 'fuel officer,' P.W.D. anytime during normal working hours.

Tenders should be marked 'Peat cutting' and addressed to the 'Chairman' Tender Board, Secretariat <sup>to reach him</sup> and to be in not later than the 30th Sept.

Government does not bind itself to <sup>accept</sup> the lowest or any tender.

Sd/- 16/9/69

PUBLIC NOTICE

476

Tenders are invited for the cutting and rickling of 300 cubic yards of peat. Information relating to the peat bank can be obtained from the 'Fuel Officer' Public Works Department anytime during normal working hours.

Tenders should be marked 'Peat Cutting' and addressed to the Chairman, Tender Board, Secretariat to reach him not later than the 30th September.

Government does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any tender.

Colonial Secretary's Office,  
Stanley, Falkland Islands.

Ref: 0032/II  
18th September, 1969.  
RRB.

Please broadcast on the following evenings -

Thursday	18th Sept.	13.45
Monday	22nd Sept.	14.45
Friday	26th Sept.	16.15
Monday	29th Sept.	

copy to: S.P.W.

Bu 30-9-69



478

Port Stanley.

19th September, 1969.

The Chairman,  
Tender Board,  
SECRETARIAT,  
PORT STANLEY.

Dear Sir,

I refer to your broadcast announcement regarding Peat Cutting &  
& Rickling.

I hereby tender for the following:-

- (a) Cutting 300 yards Peat @ 3/- per yard.
- (b) Rickling 300 yards Peat @ 1/- per yard.

Yours faithfully,

..... Violet Teltan .....  
For  
A. T. Teltan.

477

20th September, 69.

To: Superintendent Public Works,

From: Colonial Secretary

Stanley.

Fuel for Dentist Hughes

Would you please arrange for ten bags of coke and two bags of coal to be delivered to Mr Hughes' residence on Ross Road West at an early stage on Monday the 22nd.

2. Cost will be recoverable from Mr Hughes.

(H.L. BOUND)  
for COLONIAL SECRETARY

ARA.

Bu 30-9-69  
(Kiv 476)



480

Officer Commanding  
Royal Marines  
Naval Party 8901  
~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~  
Moody Brook

RM/FALK/PEAT

22nd September 1969

The Chairman  
Tenders Board  
Secretariat  
Port Stanley

300 YARDS PEAT

Reference: A. Announcement on Falkland Islands Broadcasting  
Station.

1. Members of the Royal Marine Detachment will undertake to  
cut the above amount of peat at the following rates:

Cutting	-	3/- per yard
Rickling	-	8d per yard

*M. L. A. Macleod*

(M.L.A. MACLEOD)  
Captain RM

Reply to 485

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No. 1. Hodson Villas (East)

STANLEY.

23rd. September, 1969.

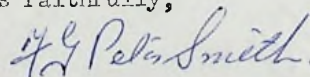
Dear Sir,

I hereby submit tender for cutting and rickling of  
300 cubic yards of peat, as follows:-

Cutting, 2/11d. per yard

Rickling, 1/-d. per yard.

Yours faithfully,



(F.G.P. SMITH).

Chairman, Tender Board,

Secretariat,

STANLEY.



481

C.S.

The Tender Board (HCS, AT & others) considered the tenders at App 478/480 & recommended for yr. consideration that a contract for 300 cubic yards cutting & trucking be offered to Peter Smith @ 3/11 per yd. and a similar contract be offered to A.T. Feltan at 4/- per yd.

Although the named tender was for a lesser amount (3/8 yd) the Board did not consider they were experienced enough in this task to accomplish a satisfactory contract.

1.10.69

A.C.S.

482

Approved. Please ask S.P.W.

W. A. Y. M. P.

to ensure that contracts are entered into setting out the manner in which cutting is to be done - size of road etc, and that full officer exercises

careful supervision.

Also, provided to you

how the money he may

H.C.

make the contracts for

3/10/69

"not less than 300 yards".

3rd October,

69

To; The Superintendent,

From: The Colonial Secretary,

Public Works Department,

STANLEYPest Gutting

The tenders submitted by Peter Smith at 3/11d. per yard and A. T. Felton at 4/- per yard have been approved.

2. Would you please ensure that contracts are entered into setting out the manner in which cutting is to be done - size of sod etc., and that Fuel Officer exercises careful supervision. Also, provided you have the money you may make the contracts for "not less than 300 yards".

(Sgd.) H. L. Bound.

for COLONIAL SECRETARY



0032/II

484

7th October 69

To: The Superintendent,

From: The Colonial Secretary.

Public Works Department,

STANLEY.

Copy to: S.M.O.

Issue of Coke and Coal

I should be grateful if a further supply of 5 bags of coke could be delivered to Cable Cottage.

for COLONIAL SECRETARY

RRB.

7th October

69

Dear Sir,

480

I refer to your letter of 22nd September and have to inform you that your tenders for cutting and rickling peat were unsuccessful.

Yours faithfully,



for COLONIAL SECRETARY

The Officer Commanding,  
Naval Party 8901,  
MOODY BROOK.

RRB.



0032/II

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8th October 69

To: The Superintendent,

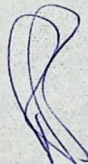
From: The Colonial Secretary.

Public Works Department,

STANLEY.

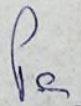
Issue of Coal and Coke

I should be grateful if a further supply of 30 bags of coke could be delivered to No. 44 Davis Street.



for COLONIAL SECRETARY

RRB.



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17th November

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To: Superintendent of Public Works.

From: Colonial Secretary,

STANLEY.

Coal for 44, Davis Street.

Please arrange to have ten bags of coal delivered to 44, Davis Street early this week.

The issue should be debited to Head II : 10 Investigation Team.

(H.L. Bound)  
for COLONIAL SECRETARY.

AR.

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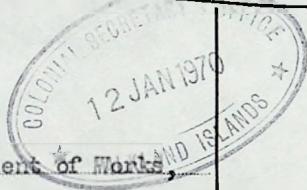


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URGENT

MEMORANDUM



476 488  
12th January 1970.

To: Colonial Secretary,

STANLEY.

From: Superintendent of Works,

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

SUBJECT :-

PEAT CUTTING.

I have the honour to request that the tender for peat cutting be repeated. Tenders to be handed in by 17th January.

To be broadcast evenings of 13th and 14th.

*M. Roy*

SUPERINTENDENT OF WORKS.

*Discussed with C.T.  
If for resale it can be changed to U/S  
otherwise direct to the Consumer Dept.*

*13/1*

*S/C*

*Re. arrange broadcast tonight closing FRIDAY 16th*

*13/1*

489

PUBLIC NOTICE.

Tenders are invited for the cutting and rickling of 300 cubic yards of peat. Information relating to the peat bank can be obtained from the 'Fuel Officer' Public Works Department anytime during normal working hours.

Tenders should be marked 'Peat Cutting' and addressed to the Chairman, Tender Board, Secretariat to reach him not later than the 17th January.

Government does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any tender.

Colonial Secretary's Office,  
Stanley, Falkland Islands.

Ref: C032/II

13th January 1970.

Please broadcast on the following evenings -

Thursday 13th Jan.

Wednesday 14th Jan.

Friday 16th Jan.

AR.



Cut

490

Cut rickled & stacked.

$3/6$  ' 1/-  $1/6$ .

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g. Short.

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200 yds.

1, Dean Street,

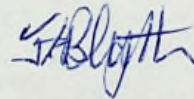
STANLEY.

17th. January, 1970.

Dear Sir,

With reference to your recent broadcast regarding the cutting and rickling of 300 yards of peat. I would be prepared to cut and rickle 100 yards for the sum of 5/-d. (Five Shillings)

Yours faithfully,



Mr. K. Blyth.

Chairman,  
Tender Board,  
SECRETARIAT.



C.S.

The Under Board consisting of ACS (chair), SPW. + A/T met this morning & recommended for yr. consideration that Mr. Short's offer at £.490 be accepted & that SPW be authorised to negotiate separately with K. Blyth (£.490) with a view to securing a second contract at 3/6 per yard cutting + 1/- per yard rickling for the remaining 100 yards.

The Board noted that 3/- per yard is the highest authorised rate for cutting of Gort peat but it is accepted that additional work will be involved in producing peat from this particular area (i.e. trenching & deep de-frosting of the old cutting face) & for this reason the additional 6d p.s.y. is recommended.

J. 19.11.70

A.C.S.

I appreciate the urgency. Nevertheless I would like to know the reason for the deletion from the current estimate of the item in respect of fuel supply. PFE (? Exco.) must have had good reason for deleting the item, & it won't be possible to reach a decision which may in fact disconcert their design unless I have the full picture.

C.S. I discussed this with C.T. who explained that the back item of fuel requirement shown under PWR was withdrawn & fuel requirements are now shown separately under the consuming Heads. When fuel is produced for in-sale, as this almost certainly will be, it can be net from the other items & the same ap. is ordered in-sale.

J. 19/11

J. 19.11.70

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A.C.S.

T.Y.

2 The Tender Board's recommendations are approved.

P/20/1



20th January,

494  
70.

To: Superintendent Public Works,

From: Colonial Secretary

Stanley,

Copies: C.T., Audit.

Peat Cutting Contracts

This is to confirm that Mr G. Short's tender of 3/6d per yard cutting, 1/- per yard rickling and 1/6d per yard stacking of 200 cubic yards of peat is accepted.

The rate of 3/6 per yard for cutting is authorized on the understanding that additional work is involved particularly with regard to trenching and deep defrosting of the old cutting face.

<sup>also</sup>  
You are ~~therefore~~ authorized to negotiate at the same rates for the remaining balance of 100 yards.

H.L.B.

for COLONIAL SECRETARY

ARA.

Pa  
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1760/A/11

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17th March

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To: The Supt. Public Works Dept.,

From: The Colonial Secretary,

STANLEY.

Fuel for 44, Davis St.

Please issue eight bags of Coke to 44, Davis Street.

(H. L. Boud)

COLONIAL SECRETARY.

AR.



3rd April

70

To: The Supt. Public Works Dept.,

From: The Colonial Secretary,

STANLEY.

Fuel for 44 Davis Street.

Would you please issue sufficient coke to 44, Davis Street to cover the next 14 days.

(H. L. Bound)

COLONIAL SECRETARY.

AR.

497

EXTRACT FROM MINUTES OF EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING NO. 5/70

HELD ON 17th, 18th, 20th, and 22nd to 30th April, 1970

(4) Supply of Fuel to Government Stations in the Camp

Some concern was expressed regarding the cost of fuel supplied to the Government stations at Darwin and Fox Bay. Although peat was becoming progressively more expensive to produce it was accepted that a substantial saving could be effected if a means could be found to provide peat to those buildings which currently depended on coal and anthracite.

Record

CLERK OF COUNCIL

Discussed with A.G.C.S.

This subject will need to await the outcome of enquiries that are being made i.e. w. the future of D.B.S., the Darwin Doctor + the Govt. Station at Fox Bay.

30.6.70

BU 31.12.7



25th June

70

To: Superintendent of Works,

From: The Colonial Secretary,

STANLEY

Fuel for 44, Davis Street

You are hereby authorised to issue 5 bags of coal and  
5 bags of coke to 44, Davis Street, for use of Dr. P.A.  
Wright.

(H.L. Bound)  
for COLONIAL SECRETARY

PA

BU 31.10.70 (197)

17th July

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To: Superintendent of Works,

From: Acting Colonial Secretary,

STANLEYPeat for B.M. Grant

This is to set out the details of the arrangements under which the above named is to be provided with some peat.

2. The Town Council agree that their small supply in the Army Camp can be borrowed. Please deliver this to Grant's home charging him now for

- (a) the cost of moving it;
- (b) the cost of replacing it from Government stocks in the spring.

3. Please ensure that the peat is replaced when the weather is suitable for bringing in peat stacked on the bogs.

(L.C. Gleadell)  
ACTING COLONIAL SECRETARY

(497)  
BU 31.10.70



21st July

70.

To: Superintendent of Works.

From: The Colonial Secretary

STANLEY.Fuel for 44, Davis Street.

You are hereby authorized to issue 5 bags of coal and 5 bags of coke to 44, Davis Street, for use of Dr. P.A. Wright.

( R. Browning )  
for COLONIAL SECRETARY.

15 12 70  
By 31 12 70.  
(497)

No. PWD 079

It is requested that, in any reference to this memorandum the above number and date should be quoted.

MEMORANDUM

From: Superintendent of Works

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

19th. November, 19 70.

To: Colonial Secretary.

STANLEY.

SUBJECT :-

Request for Tender.

I have the honour to request that the following be put out for tender:-

Tenders are invited for the cutting, rickling and stacking of approx. 340 cubic yards of ~~Government~~ peat. Further details may be had from the Supt. of Public Works during normal office hours.

Tenders should be addressed to the Chairman, Tender Board, Secretariat, and should reach him by noon on Saturday 21st. November.

Government does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any tender.

*Stokoyane*  
Superintendent of Works.



502

PUBLIC NOTICE.

Tenders are invited for the cutting, rickling and stacking of approximately 340 cubic yards of peat. Information relating to the peat bank can be obtained from the 'Fuel Officer' Public Works Department anytime during normal working hours.

Tenders should be marked 'Peat Cutting' and addressed to the Chairman, Tender Board, Secretariat to reach him not later than noon on Saturday 21st November.

*Monday 11.11.70*

Government does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any tender.

Colonial Secretary's Office,  
Stanley, Falkland Islands.

Ref: 0032/II

19th November 1970.

AC.

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19th November

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Superintendent, Public Works.

Colonial Secretary

Peat for 44 Davis Street

Would you please arrange with the Fuel Officer to have 100 cubic yards of peat available for issue to 44 Davis Street later this season.

2. Cost of this will be met from unallocated stores.

(H. L. Bound)  
for Colonial Secretary

cc Colonial Treasurer  
Superintendent of Education

A.C.S.,

Three tenders at b.c. pl.

23.11.70.

23.11.70.

Bu. 23.11.70.  
(502)



20th. November, 1970.

Dear Sir,

With reference to your broadcast announcement, re:  
cutting rickling and stacking of approx. 340 yards of peat,  
I wish to submit a tender of 3/6 for cutting, 1/-d for  
rickling and 1/6d. for stacking.

Yours faithfully,

Bryan May

Reply at 509

b/-

18, James Street 505  
Stanly.

20/10/70.

Dear Sir,

I am applying for the tender  
of cutting, rickling and stacking of 340 <sup>cubic</sup> yards  
[approx] of Peat.

my tender for the <sup>lot.</sup> ~~lot~~ is 5/3 per  
cubic yard.

yours faithfully  
Alastair Biggs

Reply at 508



Tender Board  
Secretariat,

Dear Sir,

I wish to put a tender  
in for Government peat cutting,  
rickling, and stacking.  
at 6/- per yard.

Yours faithfully  
Sydney Smith

Reply at 509

No. PWD 010

MEMORANDUM

506(a) 504

It is requested that, in any reference to this memorandum the above number and date should be quoted.

20th. November, 19 70.

To; Colonial Secretary,

STANLEY.

From; Superintendent of Works.

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

SUBJECT :-

Peat - 44 Davis Street.

Steps are being taken in securing the 100 yards of peat requested.

*Th. Ryan*

Superintendent of Works.

S/E

10 Sec  
24.11.70



507


A.C.S.,

Three tenders (at f.504-6) were received in response to the notice at f.502. These were considered by the Ag. C.T., the S.P.W., and the Senior Clerk CSO. The S.P.W. explained that he wanted the job completed quickly in view of the fact that the peat season was already well advanced and asked that this point should be taken into consideration by the Board.

The Board provisionally selected Mr Alastair Biggs as the most suitable applicant, subject to confirmation that he would be able to complete the work by the end of the year. The S.P.W. made enquiries and then informed the Board that Mr Biggs intended to take the balance of his local leave and cut the peat then, if he should get the contract.

The Board now confirms its recommendation that the contract be awarded to Mr Alastair Biggs.

S.f.c. please.



24.11.70

S/c

The Board's recommendation is approved.

Re. inf. S/c today so that the necessary contract can be completed & the job put in hand without delay.

The unsuccessful candidates will need to be advised early as well.

25.11.7.

25th November

70

Dear Sir,

I refer to your letter of 20th October 1970 and have to inform you that your tender was successful for the cutting, rickling and stacking of approximately 340 cubic yards of peat, at the rate of 5/5d per cubic yard.

2. I should be grateful if you would contact the Superintendent of Public Works so that arrangements can be made for the necessary contract to be drawn up.

Yours faithfully,

(Sgd) H.L. Bound.

For COLONIAL SECRETARY

Mr Alastair Biggs,  
18, James Street,  
STANLEY

Copies to: Treasury  
Audit  
S.P.W.

FA

*DLR* 25/11/70.



25th November

70

Dear Sir,

504

I refer to your letter of 20th November 1970 and have to inform you that your tender was unsuccessful for the cutting, rickling and stacking of approximately 340 cubic yards of peat.

Yours faithfully,

(Sgd) H.L. Bound.

for COLONIAL SECRETARY

506

Mr Bryan Key,  
STANLEY

Mr Sydney Smith,  
STANLEY

FA

S/AS

To note from 503 pl. & withdraw  
copy of 508 from b.c. and take n.a.

S. J. C. S. 11.70.

Noted by

S/W at  
508

By 15.12.70  
497

6032/11

510

5th December

70.

To: The Supplies Officer.

From: The Colonial Secretary,

Copies to: S.F.O., Transport & Fuel Off.,  
S.M.O., C.T.

Fuel for Mr R. M. Watson - Camp Dentist.

The Camp Dentist will be required to work in Stanley for some weeks and will require fuel for the quarter previously vacated by Mr J. Quinn. Would you please arrange for no less than two bags of coke and 1 bag of coal for this purpose. Mr Watson will meet the expense and a bill should be submitted to him accordingly.

(H. L. Bound)

FOR COLONIAL SECRETARY.

Ag CS.

P. 497<sup>etc</sup>

DBS<sup>etc</sup> is shut in the machine pot. Is there anything we can do at this stage?

31.12.70

By S. 12. 70.  
(1497/500)



6th January

71

Dear Sir,

A constant cause for concern to Government is the very high cost of providing fuel for the caretaker at Darwin Boarding School. Fuel is supplied in the form of coal and costs about £600 per annum. I have been asked to enquire - and this may be a repetition of a previous similar enquiry - whether it would be possible for peat to be supplied by Goose Green farm. It is appreciated that there are labour problems on the farm and to overcome this to some extent it might be possible to arrange cutting and rickling privately with the farm contribution limited to providing a bank and transporting the dried fuel.

Any help you may be able to give would be greatly appreciated.

Yours faithfully,

(L. G. Gleadall)  
Ag. Colonial Secretary

See 517

The Manager,  
Falkland Islands Company, Limited,  
Stanley.

JB

7th January

71

Dear Sir,

A constant cause for concern to Government is the very high cost of providing fuel for the Doctor, Wireless Operator and Caretaker at Fox Bay. Fuel is supplied in the form of coal and costs over £1,000 per annum. I have been asked to enquire - and this may be a repetition of a previous similar enquiry - whether it would be possible for peat to be supplied by Fox Bay farm. It is appreciated that there are labour problems on the farms and to overcome this to some extent it might be possible to arrange cutting and rickling privately with the farm contribution limited to providing a bank and transporting the dried fuel.

Any help you may be able to give would be greatly appreciated.

Yours faithfully,

(L.C. GLEADELL)  
AG. COLONIAL SECRETARY

The Manager,  
FOX BAY EAST.

Reply at 513

CLA

Bu 4. 2. 71.

(v. 45 511/2)



513

Extract from a letter received from Mr J.R. Cockwell,  
Manager, Packe Bros & Co., Ltd., dated 28th January, 1971.

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512

The Colonial Treasurer has written to inquire whether it would be possible for Packes to supply peat for the Government settlement. I very much regret that this would be impossible; we are very short of peat on this section and would be very hard put to allocate any bogs for Government use within six miles. We also would not be able to undertake to cart the peat as our own machinery and labour is stretched to the limit to carry out our own peat carting and other work that has to be done at that time of the year.

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C.S.

Submitted pl. We await yet a reply to p.511.

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C.T. To see & make p/b done.

L.G.  
8/2/71

6.2.71. J/K  
11/8/2 to p.511.

in a number

11/8/2

5th February

71

Dear Sir,

SII I am directed to refer to the Acting Colonial Secretary's letter 0032/II of 6th January 1971, regarding the provision of peat for the caretaker at Darwin Boarding School, and to enquire whether you are now able to give a reply.

Yours faithfully,

(H.L. Bondā)  
for COLONIAL SECRETARY

see 517

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

FA

by 22.2.71. (r.)



No. PWD 085

MEMORANDUM

It is requested that, in any reference to this memorandum the above number and date should be quoted.

17th. February, 19 71.

To; Assistant Colonial Secretary,

STANLEY.

From; Superintendent of Works,

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

SUBJECT :-

Request for Tender.

I have the honour to request on behalf of the Central Stores that an advert be broadcast.

'Wanted to purchase urgently from 1 to 6 loads of peat. For full details please contact Supplies Officer during normal office hours.'

*Govt. Central Store*

*W. Layane*  
Superintendent of Works.

*S/c*

*Discussed with C.T. + S.O.*

*Please issue.*

*18.2.71*

516

PUBLIC NOTICE

Wanted to purchase urgently, from one to six loads  
of peat.

For full details please contact the Supplies Officer,  
Government Central Store, during normal office hours.

Colonial Secretary's Office,  
Stanley, Falkland Islands.

19th February 1971.

Ref: 0032/II

✓  
FA

A.C.S.,

This file was returned  
by C.I. today, who had  
it i.c.w. next year's Estimates.  
Nothing further in relation to  
the above pl.?  $\pounds$  12,371.

By 27.2.71.

(XIV above &  
p. 18 511/4)



517

# The Falkland Islands Company, Limited.

(INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER 1851.)

AGENTS FOR LLOYDS.

TELEGRAMS "FLEETWING PORTSTANLEY" RADIO



*Stanley,*

12th March

1971

C/13

The Colonial Secretary  
STANLEY

Dear Sir,

PEAT - DARWIN SCHOOL

514 With reference to your letters of 6th January and 9th February 1971 (0032/II), we have now heard from the Camp Manager at Darwin Harbour. He advises us that this year the peat situation at Darwin is reasonably satisfactory and that he is willing to supply up to 200 cubic yards of peat at 50p per yard. This figure includes carting from the bog to the School but does not cover stacking the peat.

Mr. Vinson points out that peat supply for Goose Green Settlement often presents quite a problem and in view of this and Mr. Vinson's impending departure, he does not wish to commit his successor to supplying peat annually. We propose to ask Mr. Hardcastle to look into this matter when he has settled in at Darwin Harbour.

x | Please let us know as soon as possible whether you wish to avail yourselves of Mr. Vinson's offer for this season.

Yours faithfully,

*C. Tura P.E.*

COLONIAL MANAGER

c.c. Mr. Vinson  
Mr. Hardcastle

C.S. *Must think you, I should  
that not go to S.E. and S.P.?*

*Submitted  
with 511-4 pl.*

*18.3.71*

*B. 20-3-71*

518

C.T. via P/E.  
P.517.

Provided 200 yds. is adequate, and which you will know better than we, I suggest we accept this offer, cost £600, at a saving of £500 on fuel for the caretaker: the transaction to be incorporated in the 1971/2 Estimates finance-wise; but there is nothing to prevent P/E closing with the offer now.

J/23/3

C.S. via C.T.

Glad to accept immediate purchase of 200 yds delivered to Caretaker's house.

Item 13. Heat, light, power may be reduced by £514; estimated expenditure for 1970/1 ~~increased~~ may be reduced by £500.

Salut fuel on order for this year will be cancelled. S/B 24/3.

C.S.  
519 order placed 24/3/  
letter appended. S/B.

L.H.  
24/3/71.



519.

Ref. No. C/13

24th March 1971

Dear Sir,

Peat - Darwin School

I refer to your letter of March 12th to the Colonial Secretary and confirm that the Education Department wishes to make an immediate purchase of 200 cubic yards of peat to be delivered to the caretaker's house, Darwin School, at a delivered price of £0-50 per cubic yard.

The offer is greatly appreciated.

Yours faithfully,

(D. J. Draycott)  
Superintendent of Education

A. Sloggie, Esq.,  
Colonial Manager,  
Falkland Islands Company Limited,  
Stanley.

L.G. 27/3/71

C.T. / P/E

You will be mentioning this in Exco. i.d.c., I take it -  
in connection with the reduction in the amount of provision  
headed for this item. My suggestion - provided it  
continues in future years, which is, of course, the 64 dollar  
question & on which there can be no guarantee. However, the  
FIC are to take the matter up with the new Camp Manager &  
P/E will need to note this & make an enquiry about it in  
a few months' time.

18.2.71

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# The Falkland Islands Company, Limited.

(INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER 1851.)

REGISTERED 1902.

AGENTS FOR LLOYDS.

TELEGRAMS "FLEETWING PORTSTANLEY" VIA RADIO.

*Stanley,*

24th March

19 71

C/13

Superintendent of Education  
Education Department  
STANLEY

Dear Sir,

PEAT - DARWIN SCHOOL

We acknowledge receipt of your letter dated <sup>519</sup>24th March 1971.

The Camp Manager has been advised accordingly.

Yours faithfully,

*W. Hoggie*

COLONIAL MANAGER

Ag. S/E.

Please see later pages on  
this file, and for action as at  
y/ on p. 519.

f C.S.  
24.8.71

By 23.8.71.  
(1510 - 519)  
- 519 on 519 )

By 2.10.71  
(KIV)

C.S. Have written to Murdoch asking whether he will continue the last  
years arrangements and supply the peat this season. Ldtb 26/8/71



9/E

Post for Hampton, D.A.S.

I had a phone call this afternoon from Mr. Pearson asking if we were accepting his offer to supply 200 yds. of paper. I informed him that we were & that a letter to that effect was in the post.

2 News have this paper appropriately filed.

J.S.

Done: S.C. as at 2. please.

521

Acknowledgment from Mr. Shoggy.

4/6. 25/3.