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London S.W.1

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J A Jones Esq
Colonial Secretary
FAULKLAND ISLANDS

Dear Jones,

OIL CONCESSIONS

I enclose a copy of a letter written (to
the Board of Trade) by Chevron Overseas Petroleum
--- Inc. of San Francisco enquiring about oil prospect-
ing in the Falklands, together with a copy of my
reply. I should be grateful if you could send the
Company copies of the legislation they ask for, namely
the current Income Tax Regulations, and also your 1964
Mining (Mineral Oil) Regulations.

Yours ever,

Anthony Southorn

(A L Southorn)
Gibraltar and South Atlantic
Department

Mr Booth Please open sub file in P/series for
Chevron, if we do not already have one, & speak for
dictation.

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Chevron Overseas Petroleum Incorporated
555 Market Street
San Francisco
CALIFORNIA 94120 U S A

For the attention of
Mr P J Folmer

FALKLAND ISLANDS

Dear Sir,

I apologise for the delay in replying to your letter of 27 November, addressed to the Board of Trade, asking about oil concessions in the neighbourhood of the Falkland Islands. The correct procedure is for you to send any application to the Colonial Secretary, Mr J A Jones, Stanley, Falkland Islands, with a copy to the Foreign and Commonwealth Office in London. You should know, however, that no applications are being entertained at present pending completion of a study which is being carried out by the British Government of all the information available concerning the oil bearing potential of the sea areas around the Islands.

I am sending a copy of your letter, with my reply, to the Colonial Secretary, with the request that he should send you the texts of the Income Tax Ordinance and of the Mining (Mineral Oil) Regulations of 1964, although I should warn you that the latter are likely to be amended in the near future. I would also draw to your attention the fact that communications with the Falkland Islands, although regular, are infrequent, and it may accordingly be some time before you hear from them.

Yours faithfully,

A. L. Southorn

(A L Southorn)
Gibraltar and South Atlantic Department



CHEVRON OVERSEAS PETROLEUM INC.

555 MARKET STREET SAN FRANCISCO CALIFORNIA 94120

November 27, 1970

FALKLAND ISLANDS

Board of Trade
1 Victoria Street
London S.W.1 England

Dear Sir:

We are attempting to obtain a copy of the Petroleum Law and the Income Tax Law, if such exist, that apply to the Falkland Islands. The office of the British Consulate General in San Francisco suggested contacting your organization as a possible source.

We would very much appreciate your assistance in acquiring these documents, and would also appreciate any additional information, relative to the possible granting of a petroleum concession in the area, that you might have available.

Sincerely yours,

P. J. Folmer

P. J. Folmer
Tax Accountant

