

C.S.

DEFENCE FORCE.

WHALING & SEALING.

NAT/SEA/3 # 7

1929.

No.

121/29.

Sec. Sealing Co.

SUBJECT.

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21st March. 1929

Previous Paper.

FALKLAND ISLANDS SEALING CO. REQUEST

LOAN OF 303 AMMUNITION FROM DEFENCE FORCE.

MINUTES.

Letter from Secretary, Sealing Co. Ltd. of 21.3.29.

17/6/29
jud

21. 3. 29.

2. Letter to the Secretary, Falkland Is. & Dependencies Sealing Co. Ltd.
of 22nd March. 1929

Mye
22.3.29

3. Letter from Secretary, F.I.D. Sealing Co. 24/7/29

7/8. Submitted for approval on understanding
that cost of ammunition is deposited in
Treasury before order is sent home.

2. I did not previously know of the
existence of this paper which shows that
former order was confirmed in writing.

Subsequent Paper.

Capt Watson had lost record of this
correspondence and was under
the impression that the arrangement was
only verbal.

G.R. H.
Aq. H.S.
26. VII. 29.

14th C.S.

Approved. Put up in den transfer
complete & new minutes received.

$\frac{30}{7} 29$

Letter to Sec. Sealing Co. 31st July 1929.

Hon. Sec. Sec.
To note.

A.D. J.
6/8/29.

Hon. Col. Sec.

Noted.

M. Craigie Barker,
Trans.
9. 8. 29.

Letter from Sec. I.D. & Dep. Sealing Co. 19/8/29

bf. 15/9/29.
13/8/29.
(5)

G.B.
Submitted. I find there is not
quite 10,000 rounds of mark VI
available. The remaining quantity is
9,800 rounds. Your Excellency will

approve the sale of all this
ammunition to the Sealing Co
on the usual condition i.e. that
the cost of its replacement by the
same quantity of Mark VII. is
deposited in the Treasury before
the order is sent.?

Edw. B.
A.C.B.
6. IX. 29

Hon C.S.

yes. I am glad to be able
to get rid of old Mark VI
ammunition on these conditions.

A.H.

6.29
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Letter to Secretary, F. Is. + Dependencies Sealing Co. 7/9/29.

P.H.
10/9/29.

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Letter from Sec. F Is + Dep. Sealing
Co. 24/9/30

H.C.B.

At a meeting at Government House
in May, ¹⁹³⁰ at which Lieut. Allan and myself
were present Mr Excellency authorized the sale
of the remaining stock of Mark VI ammunition
to the Falkland Islands Sealing Company

at the rate of £5 per 1000 rounds.

regret I cannot find the paper dealing
with the notes I took of that meeting but I
have to-day verified the decision arrived at
with Lieut. Allan, who is of opinion that the
price offered is reasonable for old marks
or stock which he would be glad to see
sold

Sgt
A.C.S.
25. IX. 30

Y. E.

Schulth \rightarrow approval

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25. 9. 30.

Approved. \rightarrow be
made on Sept 30th.
25/30
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Letter to Captain D. B. Watson, 26/9/30.

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O.C. Defence Force
Hon. Treasurer

Please note

J.M.
29. 9. 30. for necessary action accordingly.

J.M.
26. 9. 30.

Hon Col Sec

The sum of £25
in respect of the 5000 rounds of
ammunition was paid by the
7th & Dec's Sealing Coy today.
vide Treasury Rec No 7790, & credited
to H. Musc. Rev.
6. Sale of Ammⁿ. Awd Bf

Yr Col Treas^r
30/9/20

10/9/20

30. 9. 20

⑨ Minute from adjutant, 7 JDF 8/6/33

1. I suppose that the 6,220
rounds of Mark VI ammunition
be offered to the Sealing Coy.
at £2-10-0 per 1000 rounds.

2. I am glad to say that
the Sealing Coy expect to commence
operations again on 1st July
for 3 months. This will help
to give work.

Hon Atty C.S.
noted & approved

12.6.33

M. (Major) Kachata
ag. C.S.
9.6.33

Letter to Capt. D.R. Watson, of 12/6/33.

10.

Captain Watson came to see me and exclaimed that the Mark VI ammunition was of no use to the Defence Force and later would have to be destroyed. Apparently some of it was landed here in 1915.

P.A.
13/6/33

M.C.H.
13. 6. 33.

H.E. the Governor spoken. H.E. approved that the ammunition in question be sold at 25/- per 1000 rounds, being the price originally suggested by me to Lieut. Allan.

M. Craigie Hadden
A.Y.C.S.
14. 6. 33.

Letter to Capt. D.R. Watson of 14/6/33.
Minute to Lieutenant, Defence Force of 14/6/33.

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12.

Hon. Treasurer.

To note.

M. Craigie Hadden
A.Y.C.S.
16. 6. 33

Hon. Col. Secretary.

Noted.

Des. J.
for Col. Treas.
16. vi. 33.

b.f. 30/6/33.
a. 16/6/33.

C.S.O. No. 121/29

Inside Minute Paper.

Sheet No. 3

- (13) Letter from Capt. D.R. Watson 13/6/33
14. Letter to Capt D.R. Watson of 27/6/33.
15. Minute to Adjutant, F.I. Defence Force. 27/6/33.
16. Letter to Manager, F.I. Co. Ltd 19/6/33

P.A.
29/6/33

- (17) Letter from Manager, F.I. Co. Ltd 27/8/33

Adjutant, Defence Force

For your recommendations please.

C. J. Jones
28/8/33.

Hon Colonel Secretary

The only .303 ammunition I have available is 21,422 rounds of Mark VII. This ammunition is still serviceable for machine gun practice (See Red (9))

Wm Allen Lt + Col
F.I.D.F.

2/6.

? The ammunition may be sold to the selling Company at the same figure as previously 25/- per 1000.

C. J. Jones
24/8/33

Hon. Col. Sec.

Approved. I expect the
Company would like to have
the ammunition to despatch
on the 28th inst.

MCH

25. 8. 33

Letter to Manager. I.D. Co. 25/8/33

(18)

Adjutant, Defence Force.

To note and will you
please issue ammunition
to I.D. Co.

A. J. J. J.
24/8/33

Hon. Col. Sec.

Noted, will issue the ammunition
on demand.

A. M. A.
25. 8. 33

Hon. Treasurer.

To note.

A. J. J. J.
24/8/33

Hon. Col. Sec.

Noted.

Aut. J. J. J.
for Col. Treas.
26. 8. 33

P. A.
24/8/33

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C.S.O. No. 121/29.

Inside Minute Paper.

Sheet No. 4.....

Adjutant, Defence Force,

The Sealing Company have made application for a further 3,000 rounds of ammunition.

Will you please say whether you can spare this amount?

A. J. J.
for 12/9/33

The Hon Colonial Secretary

Yes. I can spare it

W. M. Allen
12/9/33

(19) Letter to Manager, Galk. Is. Co., of 13/9/33.

Adjutant, Defence Force,

To note and will you please issue ammunition to I. Is. Coy.

A. J. J.
for 13/9/33

The Hon Colonial Secretary

Noted thank you, I will issue the ammunition

W. M. Allen
13/9/33

Hon. Treasurer,

to note.

C. J. J. J.

13/9/33.

Hon. Sec.

Notes. The J.C. paid the sum
of £3.15.0 in respect of
purchase of ammunition on
Jn Rec. No 2517 of 12.9.33.

Ans for Hon. Sec.
13.9.33.

Letter from Capt. D.R. Watson

P.T.
14/9/33
29/4/35

(50)

Asst. Dir. Defence Force.

For your observations
Please

C. J. J. J.
30/4/35

Hon. Colonial Secretary

In the magazine I have 1,575 Rounds of
Mark VII date of manufacture 1918, and 3,996
Rounds Mark VII date of manufacture 1923 Both lots
being over 10 years old is only useful for machine
Gun purposes, Total rounds available 5,571

W. M. Allan Cass
1-5-35

J.H.

Red 20 submitted. I do not know why 5000 rounds of .303 is required since the conditions require that the rook rifle type of firearm should be used and the .303 only under certain conditions.

The Coy. telegraphed for rook rifles but these cannot get here until early June, meantime they want to commence operations 15th May or thereabouts. I should think 2,000 rounds ample — this can be spared at £2-10-0 per 1,000 (old ammunition)

The Manager (Capt Watson) has already made up his mind that the Sealing will be a failure if the rook rifle has to be used. It must be put to proper test and it will be for the Sealing Officer to report whether it is a

failure or not.

McH
CS.
1. V. 35

I. agree

~~W.H.~~ 2/1/35

Letter of to Manager. J. J. Deps Sealing Co. (27)

Hon. Treasurer,
Adjutant, Defence Force.

Out of the Treasurer
3. 5. 35

to note.

A. J. J.
for CS.
3/5/35

Hon Colonial Secretary

noted - thank you

W. M. Allan
4. 5. 35

P. H.
4/5/35

Minute to Adjutant. J. J. Deps. 11/5/35

(27)

Hon. Treasurer,

to note.

The S. I. Co. will settle the
account for the additional 3,000
rounds of ammunition sold to
the Sealing Co (Red. 22) at 7. 10. 0

A. J. J.
for CS.
13/5/35

Hon Col Sec.

Noted. Thank you.

Recd for Col Secy

13. 5. 35

P. A.
121/5/35

(248) Letter from Managers. F&S Co 10/7/35

O. C. Defence Force.

Can any ammunition
be spared either on loan
or payment.MCH
CS
10. 7. 35

Hon. Col. Secy,

At the present time there is no surplus ammunition in the magazine available for disposal to the Sealing Company, and I understood from Captain Allan before his departure from the Colony that Captain Watson was aware of this fact.

In 1930 the Imperial Defence Committee laid down that a Reserve of Ammunition should be built up in the Colony by setting aside a fixed number ^{of rounds} /each year. During the past it has not been possible to carry this out because our commitments have exceeded our purchases.

The number of rounds in stock is 68,294 of which 65,200 form the Reserve, leaving 3,094 for training purposes during the year. This number, however, will

not be sufficient and it will be necessary to draw on the Reserve to the extent of 4,886 rounds to meet our requirements for 1935. If the Sealing Company is granted 5,000 rounds this number will have to be drawn from the Reserve still further depleting it and making a shortage of 9,886 at the end of 1935.

I am reluctant to recommend that the Reserve should be depleted in this manner but in the circumstances I would submit as a special case that the Sealing Company be loaned not more than 2,600 rounds of 1933 ammunition subject to a guarantee from the Falkland Islands Company that immediate steps will be taken to replace it by ammunition of equal quality.

I understand that .303 ammunition suitable for use by the Sealing Company can be purchased at Montevideo.

C. J. Gower

Ag. O. C. Defence Force,
10th July, 1935.

Letter to Manager. Hs Co 10/7/35 (26)

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11/7/35*

Letter from Manager. Hs Co 11/7/35 (27)

O. C. Defence Force.

To note ref 27.

*Please arrange for
delivery of the ammunition.
Hs. Coy could send their lorry
for it.*

*MCH
CS.*

15.7.35

Hon. Col. Secy.

Noted. Thanks you.

I will arrange for the
delivery of the ammunition on
Monday the 15th instant.

A. J. S.
Ag. O.C., S.S.
13/7/35.

(28) Letter to Manager. H.S. Co 13/7/35

PA
10/7/35

(29-30) Letter from Manager. H.S. Co 17/7/35

Yr. Submitted. It is difficult
to understand why the Sealing
Co. does not obtain supplies
of ammunition from the M.A.
In July the Co. applied to the
Govt. for 5000 rounds of .503
ammunition. 2600 rounds was
loaned from reserve on the
H.S. Co. Ltd., understanding to
replace it with equal quality
ammunition from the M.A.

(24)

(26-7)

The Company were informed that
the ammunition was loaned
as a special case and I
find it difficult to recommend
that the reserve should further
be depleted by a temporary loan.
I note in ref 29 that the
Manager, Leasing Coy states
he will have to close down
unless he can get 303 ammunition.

MCH
CS.
13.8.55

What is the fin of this? How
many rounds do they apply for?
This grossly unbusinesslike neglect
is quite discreditable in the last degree
but I will allow further depletion
of our stock for what is essential to
continue the industry a still better
plan be sent to the + I.C.

TTTTT 12/5

O.C. Defence Force.

The Inf. Coy inform me
3 boxes of ammunition are
required - this will be
3,900 rounds?

MCH
CS.
13.8.55

H.C.S.,

three boxes of ammunition
(3,900 rounds) will be withdrawn
from the Reserve and delivered
to the S. & L. Co., on behalf of the
Sealing Coy.

C. Stewart
ag. S.C. Defence Soc.
13/8/35.

Jh. The S. & L. Co. on behalf of
the Sealing Coy asked for
3 boxes (3,900 rounds) on loan.
Will Jh. approve, subject to the
ammunition being replaced
with as little delay as possible.

mcH
14.8.35

Yes replaces from U. K. The order
being sent by cable
14/8/35

3. Letter to Manager S. & L. Co., Ltd., of 17/8/35.

O.C. Defence Force.

To note recd 31.

mcH
cs
14.8.35

Council Secy.

Noted.

C.I.S.
ag 14/8/35

Letter to Dr. Watson. Esq 14/8/35 (32)

O.C. Defence Force

C.I.S.
ag 12/8/35

To note recd 35 please

mcH
cs
15/8/35

Letter from Manager, R.C. 15/8/35 (33)

O.C. Defence Force.

To note.

mcH
cs
16.8.35

Council Secy.

Noted.

C.I.S.
ag 16/8/35

PA

Letter from manager, R.C. 23/8/36

Y.E.

W. r. t. (34) several applications have been received for ammunition in the past.

2. In view of Y.E.S. minute dated 13 Aug 29 and on the back of sheet 7. and para 2 of rec (32) I am empowered at this further application from the J.I.C.

3. As of. defence force I should like to express an opinion as to the probable reason for this application - all previous loans of ammunition has been replaced. The replacement consisted of a very high grade and expensive ammunition and it seems to me that in an endeavour to obtain cheaper ammunition of an inferior make the London Office have been unable to ship a consignment to meet requirements as early as it is required.

4. I would not be prepared to recommend a loan of 10,000 rounds in any case as we have not reached the total required for our reserve.

5. I should be glad to have the instructions of Y.E.

J.E.S.
26/5/36.

The instructions from the
last part of my minute of 13 Aug.
do not appear to have been carried out
has they been previously this was not
have occurred.

Will you please ascertain definitely

(1) how much the feeling by has?

(2) Date when replacement can be effected.

We must be sure that the ammunition
designed to replace any lost has actually been
shipped before sending word. 27/5/36

Letter from Galk. Is. Col. J. 2/6/36.

(36)

T.E.

The information in red (36) was obtained in accordance with T.E.'s minute dated 27 May - overleaf. It would be necessary to draw any amount authorized by T.E. from our Reserve.

J.R.S.
3/6/36

When advised that the replacement ammunition has been shipped a further quantity can be sent

~~TTTTT~~ 3/6/36

Adjutant, Defence Force.

Will you please arrange to loan the Coy. 4,000 rounds of .303. ammunition.

A.H. M.
8/6/36.

Letter to Manager, H. Is. Co., 9/6/36.

(37)

Colonial Secretary

I will issue the ammunition on demand. Wm. Allen Capt.

Adjutant. L. J. D. J.
10.6.36

14
9/6/36

(38)

Letter fr. Manager, Halk. Is. Colln. of 10/6/36
B.F. 15/8/36
J. 21/6/36

(39)

Letter fr. Manager, Halk. Is. Colln. of 15/6/36

Adjutant, Defence Force.

to note Rea (39) for necessary
action.

G. I. J.
Secy.
20/6/36.

The Colonial Secretary
noted - thank you

W.M.G.
20.6.36

P.A.
20/6/36

(40)

Letter from Capt. D.K. Watson of 15/5/39.

Adjutant Defence Force.

Can you supply the
ammunition on the conditions
suggested.

MCA
16.5.39.

A.C.S.

The stock of ammunition in the magazine at this date amounts to 127,530 of which 115,700 forms the Reserve loading 11,830 for training purposes during 1939.

2. I am not in favour of disposing of any ammunition at the present time but if the application of the Sealing Company is refused presumably they will be unable to commence operations.

3. As a special case therefore I recommend with some reluctance that the Company be loaned 5,000 rounds of 1936 ammunition subject to a guarantee from the Falkland Islands Company Ltd. that immediate steps will be taken to replace it by ammunition of the same quality.

4. I would prefer that we were first assured that the ammunition to replace that loaned has actually been shipped before the loan is made.

C. J. & J.
Adm. 16/5/39.

YH. Submitted. (Untraced loan subject to a guarantee from the F.I. Co. that it will be immediately replaced?)

MCH
CJ
16.5.39.

17/5

C.S.O. No. 12/29.

Inside Minute Paper.

Sheet No. 11.

Adjutant F. I. D. F.

To note.

M.H.

17.5.39.

41. Letter to Secretary, F.I. & Deps. Sealing Co., 17.5.39.

H.C.S.

Noted.

28/5/39.

(42.) Letter from F.I. Co. of 18/5/39.

Adjutant F. I. D. F.

To note

M.H.

19.5.39.

H.C.S.

Noted.

25/5/39.

P.A.
25/5/39.

A.C.S.

I wish to place on record that
the ammunition loaned to the
Sealing Company ~~was~~ has been received
in the Colony but it is not of the quality
or the same mark as that supplied by
the Defence Force. In fact it is obsolete mark
VI. ammunition. I have refused to accept
it and the J. Selby have called for a fresh
supply of mark VIII.

A. J. P.
A. J. P.
16/8/39

Yh.

Submitted for information.

with

CS

16.8.39.

~~16/8~~ 16/8

P.A.
16/8/39.

KELVIN STORE

PORT STANLEY.

March 21st 1929. 19

The Hon,
The Colonial Secretary,
Stanley.

Sir,

I am requested by the directors of the Falkland and Dependencies Sealing Company Ltd, to ask if you will oblige by letting us have 10,000 Rds, .303 Mk.VI ammunition from the reserve stock of the Defence Force.

If convenient to the Government we will replace the above with Mk.VLL ammunition,

I am

Sir,

yours obediently,

W. L. Watson

Secretary Sealing Company Ltd.

121/29.

22nd March, 29.

Sir,

I am directed by the Governor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 21st of March, 1929, and to inform you that His Excellency has been pleased to approve of the grant being made to your Company from the reserve stock of the Defence Force of 10,000 rounds of Mark VI .303 ammunition on the understanding that it is replaced by that of Mark VII.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

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Colonial Secretary.

The Secretary,
The Falkland Islands &
Dependencies Sealing Company, Limited,
S T A N L E Y.

KELVIN STORE,

PORT STANLEY.

July 24 th, 19 29

The Falkland & Dependencies Sealing Company Ltd.

To, The Honourable,
The Colonial Secretary,
Stanley.



Sir,

I beg to ask if the Government will sell to the Sealing Company Ten Thousand rounds of the old Mk vl. .303 ball ammunition.

The Sealing Company are prepared to pay the cost of new mk.vll ammunition to replace the Government stock,

I have the honour,

to be

sir,

yours obediently,

D.R. Watson

Secretary Sealing Co, Ltd.

121/29.

31st July,

29.

Sir,

I am directed by the Governor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 24th of July, 1929, and to inform you that His Excellency has been pleased to approve of the grant being made to your Company from the reserve stock of the Defence Force of 10,000 rounds of Mark VI .303 ammunition on the understanding that it is replaced by that of Mark VII and that the cost of the ammunition is deposited in the Treasury before it is ordered.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

G. H. Brown

Acting Colonial Secretary.

The Secretary,
The Falkland Islands &
Dependencies Sealing Company, Limited,
S T A N L E Y.

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KELVIN STORE,

PORT STANLEY.

September 5th, 1929 19

(The Falkland & Dependencies Sealing Co., Ltd.)

Honourable Colonial Secretary,
Stanley,

Sir,

I beg to ask if you will kindly consider allowing the Sealing Company to draw from the Government stock of Ammunition a further 10,000 Rds of Mk.vl.

The above to be supplied on the basis of a deposit being made in the Treasury of the cost to replace to the Government the same quantity of Mk.vll ammunition.

I have the honour,

to be,

Sir,

yours obediently,

B.R. Woodcock

Secretary Sealing Co., Ltd.

121/29.

7th September,

29.

Sir,

I am directed by the Governor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 5th September, 1929, and to inform you that His Excellency has been pleased to approve of the grant being made to your Company from the reserve stock of the Defence Force of 10,000 rounds of Mark VI .303 ammunition on the understanding that it is replaced by that of Mark VII and that the cost of the ammunition is deposited in the Treasury before it is ordered.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

W. H. Brown

Acting Colonial Secretary.

** as quantity available*

The Secretary,
The Falkland Islands &
Dependencies Sealing Company, Limited,
S T A N L E Y.

KELVIN STORE,

PORT STANLEY.

September 24th 1930. 19

The Hon.
The Colonial Secretary.
Port Stanley.

Sir,

The Falkland & Dep. Sealing Co. Ltd.

I beg to ask if the Government will sell to the above Company 5,000 rds of the old Mk. VI. ammunition at the price previously discussed of £5 per 1000.

The payment for above can be made in the Treasury on the 30th September.

I am,

Sir,

yours obediently,

B. R. Woods Esq.

Secretary Sealing Co. Ltd.

121/29.

26th September,

30.

Sir,

With reference to your letter of the 24th of September, 1930, I am directed by the Governor to inform you that this Government is prepared to sell to the Falkland Islands and Dependencies Sealing Company, Ltd., 5000 rounds of .303 Mark VI ammunition at the price of 25 per 1,000 rounds, payment to be made on the 30th of September, 1930.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

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Colonial Secretary.

Captain D. R. Watson,
Secretary,
Falkland Islands and Dependencies
Sealing Company, Ltd.,
STANLEY.

MINUTE.

8th June 19 33

To

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

From

The Adjutant

Falkland Islands Defence Force

S T A N L E Y

SUBJECT:- MARK.VI. .303. S.A.AMMUNITION FOR F.I.SEALING COY LTD.

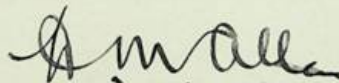
Sir, With reference to your letter of to-days date, I have available in the Magazine 6,220 rounds of Mark.VI. ammunition which I recommend should be disposed of to the Manager of the Sealing Company.

2. The ammunition which was part of a consignment which arrived in the Colony about 1918 although obsolescent for modern rifle shooting is still in a very serviceable condition.

3. The Sealing Company previously paid £5 per thousand rounds for this ammunition. I would suggest that the ammunition be sold at 6d per packet of 10 rounds-- £2-10 per thousand rounds.

4. In addition to the above I have available in the magazine 21,422 rounds of Mark VII .303.S.A. ammunition which is 15 years old and is only suitable for Machine Gun Practice within the Defence Force, but would be most suitable for Sealing Company purposes. I would recommend that this ammunition be disposed of at £5 per 1,000 rounds.

I am, Sir, yours obediently

 Lieut & Adjutant
F.I. Defence Force.

121/29.

12th June, 33.

Sir,

With reference to your verbal request to be allowed to purchase for your Company certain Mark VI ammunition, I have the honour to inform you that the Governor has approved the disposal of 6,220 rounds at the price of £2. 10s. 0d per 1,000 rounds.

2. Perhaps you will inform me, in due course, whether you desire to purchase the whole or part of the ammunition at the price stated.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

M. Craigie Hackett
Acting Colonial Secretary.

Captain D. R. Watson,
Secretary,
Falkland Islands & Dependencies
Sealing Company,
STANLEY.

121/29.

14th June, 33.

Sir,

With reference to my letter No. 121/29 of the 12th inst., I have to inform you that as a result of your verbal representations, the question of the sale of certain ammunition has been reconsidered. I am now to inform you that the Mark VI. ammunition referred to will be disposed of at the price of 25s/- per 1,000 rounds, instead of at 50s/-, the price previously quoted.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

M. George Halliday

Acting Colonial Secretary.

Captain D. R. Watson,
Secretary,
Falkland Islands & Dependencies
Sealing Company,
STANLEY.

No. 121/29.

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

MINUTE.

14th June, 1933.

From

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

To

The Adjutant,

Falkland Islands Defence
Force,

STANLEY.

With reference to your Minute of the 8th inst., on the subject of the sale of 6,220 rounds of Mark VI. ammunition, I have to inform you that His Excellency the Governor has approved of the sale of the ammunition in question to the Falkland Islands & Dependencies Sealing Company at the rate originally suggested by me viz: 2s/6d per 100 rounds.

You will be notified in due course whether the Sealing Company wish to purchase the ammunition.

M. George Harrison

Acting Colonial Secretary.

(13)

3 Jubilee Villa
Port Stanley.
23rd June 1933.

Sir, (Reference No. I2I/29).

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 14th inst,. I have to inform you that the Falkland & dep, Sealing Co.Ltd will be pleased to take over the Mark VI, ammunition at the price of 25s/- per 1,000. The payment for this will be made by the Falkland Islands Co,Ltd.

I am,

Sir,

Yours obediently,

H. R. L. L. L.

Secretary,
Sealing Co.Ltd.

The Honourable,

The Colonial Secretary,

Stanley,

121/29.

27th June, 33.

Sir,

With reference to your letter dated the 25rd inst: I have the honour to inform you that the Adjutant Falkland Islands Defence Force has been instructed to hand over to you the 6,220 rounds of Mark VI. ammunition referred to.

2. It is noted that payment will be made by Messrs: the Falkland Islands Company, Ltd.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

M. Inipi Kachon

Acting Colonial Secretary.

Captain D. R. Watson,
Secretary,
Falkland Islands & Dependencies
Sealing Company, Ltd.,
STANLEY.

No. **121/29.**

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

MINUTE.

27th June, 1933.

From

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

To The Adjutant,

Falkland Islands Defence Force,

STANLEY.

Will you please arrange to hand over to Captain Watson of the Falkland Islands and Dependencies Sealing Company the 6,220 rounds of Mark VI. ammunition referred to in my Minute No. 121/29 of the 14th June, 1933.

M. Maji Hadden
Acting Colonial Secretary.

Ref.No. 589/1927

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Stanley, 29th June, 1933.

Sir,

With reference to the Sealing licence recently issued to the Falkland Islands and Dependencies Sealing Co., Ltd., for the period 1st July to the 30th September 1933, I have the honour to inform you that the Secretary of the above named Company informed me that you would pay on his behalf the fee of £33--6--8, for the licence together with a further sum of £7--15--6, in respect of 6,220 rounds of Mark VI. ammunition purchased by the Company at the rate of £1--5--0 per 1,000 rounds.

2. I have to request that you will be so good as to cause the total sum of £ 41--2--2 to be paid to the Colonial Treasury.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant.

(sgd) M.CRAIGIE-HALKETT

Acting Colonial Secretary.

The Manager,

The Falkland Islands Company, Limited,

Port Stanley.

The Falkland Islands Company, Limited.

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AGENT FOR LLOYDS.

AGENTS FOR
THE PACIFIC STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

Stanley

TELEGRAMS "FLEETWING PORTSTANLEY" VIA RADIO.

22nd August, 1933.

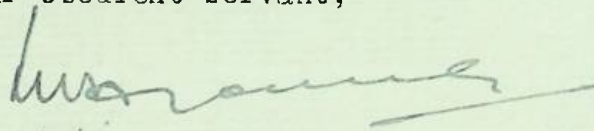
Sir,

I beg to apply on behalf of the Falklands and Dependencies Sealing Co. Ltd. to purchase 3,000 rounds of .303 ammunition for use at Albemarle Station.

I am,

Sir,

your obedient servant,



Manager.

The Honourable

The Colonial Secretary.

Stanley.

121/29.

25th August,

33.

Sir,

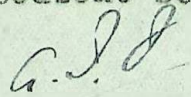
With reference to your letter of the 22nd of August, 1933, I am directed by the Acting Governor to inform you that His Excellency has approved the disposal of 3,000 rounds of Mark VII, .303 ammunition to the Falkland Islands and Dependencies Sealing Company, at a total cost of £3. 15. 0. and to request that you will cause payment of this amount to be made to the Treasury.

2. I am to add that the ammunition will be issued on application being made to the Adjutant, Falkland Islands Defence Force.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,


for Colonial Secretary.

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

121/29.

15th September, 33.

Sir,

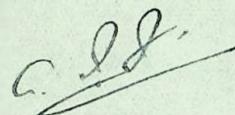
I am directed by the Acting Governor to inform you that His Excellency has approved the disposal of a further 3,000 rounds of Mark VII, .303 ammunition to the Falkland Islands and Dependencies Sealing Company, at a total cost of £5. 15. 0, and to request that you will cause payment of this amount to be made to the Treasury.

2. I am to add that the ammunition will be issued on application being made to the Adjutant, Falkland Islands Defence Force.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,



for Colonial Secretary.

The Manager,
Falkland Islands Company, Limited,
STANLEY.

The Falkland & Dependencies Sealing Co.Ltd.

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Kelvin House,
Stanley,

April 29th 1935.

Sir,
I beg to ask if you will sell to the above Company
a quantity ~~up~~ to 5000 rounds of .303 ammunition from
the stocks of the F.I.Defence Force. I have been informed
by the Adjutant that there is still some of the old
stock as supplied to the above Company in 1933.

I am,

Sir,

Yours obediently,

D.R. Houston

Secretary Sealing Co.Ltd.

The Honourable,
The Colonial Secretary,
Stanley.

121/29.

2nd May,

35.

Sir,

With reference to your letter dated the 29th April, 1935, I am directed by the Governor to inform you that His Excellency has approved of the disposal of 2,000 rounds of Mark VII, .303 ammunition to the Falkland Islands and Dependencies Sealing Company, at a total cost of £5. 0. 0, and to request that you will cause payment of this amount to be made to the Treasury.

2. I am to add that the ammunition will be issued on application being made to the Adjutant, Falkland Islands Defence Force.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

h CH

Colonial Secretary.

The Manager,
The Falkland Islands and
Dependencies Sealing Co, Ltd.,
STANLEY.

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MINUTE.

No. 121/29.

11th May, 19 35.

From

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

To The Adjutant,

The Falkland Islands

Defence Force,

STANLEY.

Will you please arrange to hand over today to Captain
Watson of the Falkland Islands & Dependencies Sealing Company,
Ltd., an additional 3,000 rounds of .303 Mark VII ammunition.

By 10.0

MCH

Colonial Secretary.

No. 121/29.

MINUTE.

11th May, 19 35.

From

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

To The Adjutant,

The Falkland Islands

Defence Force,

STANLEY.

Will you please arrange to hand over today to Captain Watson of the Falkland Islands & Dependencies Sealing Company, Ltd., an additional 3,000 rounds of .303 Mark VII ammunition.

Hon Col Sec.

M. (Muir) Hardman
Colonial Secretary.

*Ammunition handed over to Capt. Watson
as suggested. Wm. Allan, Capt.
Adjutant F.I.D.F.
14/5/35*

(M)

The Falkland Islands Company, Limited.

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AGENTS FOR LLOYDS.

TELEGRAMS "FLEETWING PORTSTANLEY" VIA RADIO.

Stanley.

16th July, 1935.

Sir,

I beg to enclose herewith copy of telegram received this morning from Mr. Watson, requesting urgently a supply of 5000 rounds of .303 ammunition.

I am informed by Lieutenant A.I. Fleuret, O.C. F.I. Defence Force, that he has no spare ammunition on hand, except a certain amount in reserve, which he is unable to supply without His Excellency The Governor's sanction. I beg to request in view of the urgency that His Excellency would graciously sanction the withdrawal of this ammunition from reserve, in order that I may forward it to Fox Bay on the 17th inst.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

L. F. Hodgson
for Manager.

The Honourable,

The Colonial Secretary,

Stanley.

LH/JT.

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GOVERNMENT TELEGRAPH SERVICE.

FALKLAND ISLANDS AND DEPENDENCIES.

RECEIVED
SENT

Number	Office of Origin	Words	Handed in at	Date
6	Foxbay	14	11,00	9/7/35.

To

Fleetwing Stanley.

Urgent send by Lafonia **five** thousand 303 loan or purchase from government.

Watson.

Time

121/29.

10th July,

35.

Sir,

With reference to your letter of this day's date applying on behalf of the Falkland Islands Sealing Company, Limited, for 5000 rounds of .303 ammunition, I have to inform you that there is at present no surplus ammunition available for disposal but in the circumstances, and as a special case, the Government is prepared to loan not more than 2,600 rounds from the reserve, provided you will undertake to take immediate steps to replace it by ammunition of equal quality to be obtained from England.

2. I have to add that it is understood that .303 ammunition suitable for use by the Sealing Company may be purchased at Montevideo.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

WCH

Colonial Secretary.

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

(4)

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AGENT FOR LLOYDS.

AGENTS FOR
THE PACIFIC STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

TELEGRAMS: "FLEETWING PORT STANLEY" VIA RADIO.

Stanley

11th July. 1935. 19

121/29.

Sir,

In reply to your letter of 10th July I have to thank you on behalf of the Sealing Company for your offer to lend them 2600 rounds of Service Ammunition.

(2) Shipment to Fox Bay is desired on 17th inst. and I shall be glad if you will advise me where and when we should collect the boxes, or whether you will have them delivered at our warehouse by Government Transport.

(3) A telegram has today been despatched to our Head Office to ship by first opportunity a replacement of ammunition of equal quality.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

H. Lane
for Manager.

The Honourable,

The Colonial Secretary,

Stanley.

121/29.

13th July,

35.

Sir,

With reference to your letter dated the 11th July, 1935, on the subject of the loan of 2,600 rounds of .303 ammunition to the Falkland Islands Sealing Co, Ltd., I have the honour to inform you that the Officer Commanding Defence Force will arrange for the delivery of the ammunition on the 15th instant.

2. It is noted that you have asked your Head Office in London to ship by first opportunity a replacement of the ammunition in question.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

McH

Colonial Secretary.

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

• The Falkland Islands Company, Limited.

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AGENTS FOR LLOYDS.

TELEGRAMS "FLEETWING PORTSTANLEY" R. RADIO.

Stanley.

12th August, 1935.

Sir,

With reference to the enclosed telegram received this morning from Capt Watson, we beg to state that owing to lack of .303 ammunition in Buenos Aires, we purchased under instructions from the Manager of the F & D Sealing Co Ltd 2, S and Wesson .44 Pistols, and 4000 rounds ammunition.

As these pistols appear useless, we respectfully beg on behalf of the F & D Sealing Co, Ltd a further loan of .303 ammunition from the Colonial Government.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

L. F. Hodgson

for Manager.

The Honourable,

The Colonial Secretary,

Stanley.

LH/JT.

COPY OF TELEGRAM RECEIVED FROM MR. WATSON 11th August, 1935.

Guns from Monte failure unless can get 303
will have to close down communicate with Grierson
if obtained can Lafonia land on way to Magallanes.

121/29

14th August,

35.

Sir,

With reference to your letter dated the 12th of August, 1935, applying on behalf of the Falkland Islands Sealing Company, Limited, for a further loan of '303 ammunition, I have the honour to inform you that the Government is prepared to loan a further 3,900 rounds from the reserve, provided you will undertake to replace it by cabling to England for Ammunition of equal quality.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant.

W. CH

Colonial Secretary.

The Manager,

The Falkland Islands Company, Ltd.,
STANLEY.

121/29.

14th August,

35.

Sir,

With reference to recent applications made to this Government by your Company for supplies of .303 ammunition I am directed by the Governor to inform you that His Excellency regrets to note the very unbusinesslike methods employed by your Company in failing to arrange for adequate supplies through commercial sources.

2. I am to make it clear that this Government is not prepared in future to supply your Company with ammunition.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

McH

Colonial Secretary.

D.R. Watson, Esq.,
Managing Director,
The Falkland Islands
& Dependencies Sealing Co., Ltd.,
ALBEMARLE,
WEST FALKLAND.

The Falkland Islands Company, Limited.

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AGENT FOR LLOYDS.

AGENTS FOR
THE PACIFIC STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

TELEGRAMS, FLEETWING PORT STANLEY, RADIO.

Stanley

15th August, 1935. 19

121/29.

Sir,

With reference to your letter of 14th August I have to advise you that this Company is telegraphing to England for .303 ammunition to replace the further 3,900 rounds which the Government is lending to the F & D. Sealing Company.

2. I confirm that this makes a total of 6,500 rounds to be replaced to the Government.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

[Signature]
for Manager.

The Honourable

The Colonial Secretary,

STANLEY.

(34.)

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AGENTS FOR LLOYDS.

TELEGRAMS "FLEETWING PORTSTANLEY" VIA RADIO.

Stanley

23rd May, 1936.

Sir,

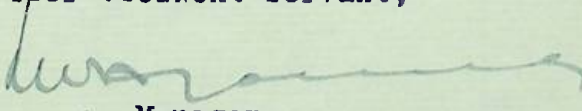
Owing to non shipment per m.v. "Losada" of 10,000 rounds of .303 ammunition, ordered for the Sealing Company, I hereby request the loan of 10,000 rounds from the reserve of the Falkland Islands Defence Force.

I have again cabled and written to my Head Office instructing them to forward this ammunition without fail by first opportunity.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,


Manager.

The Honourable

The Colonial Secretary

Stanley.

I.H./J.T.

121/29.

30th May,

36.

Sir,

Red 34

I am directed by the Governor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 23rd of May, 1936, and to request that you will inform me of the number of rounds of .303 ammunition which the Sealing Company has in stock at present and in the event of the Government granting the loan of a quantity of ammunition to the Company, the date when replacement can be effected.

2. I should also be pleased to know the make of ammunition which has been ordered.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,



Acting Colonial Secretary.

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

(36)

The Falkland Islands Company, Limited.

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AGENTS FOR LLOYDS.

TELEGRAMS "FLEETWING PORTSTANLEY" VIA RADIO.

Stanley.

2nd June, 1936.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your letter No.121/29 of May 30th, and to inform you that the Sealing Company's stock of .303 ammunition is reported to be running low. My Company only has 1500 rounds available until the arrival of 10,000 rounds ordered from England, which should arrive at the latest by 1st August.

With reference to your second paragraph, indents for ammunition are placed with the Imperial Chemical Industry.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

B. W. Cook

for Manager.

The Honourable

The Colonial Secretary

Stanley.

121/29.

9th June,

36.

Sir,

Red 36 .
With reference to your letter of the 2nd of June, 1936, and to previous correspondence on the subject of the supply of .303 ammunition to the Falkland Islands and Dependencies Sealing Company, Limited, I am directed by the Governor to inform you that this Government is prepared to loan 4,000 rounds provided your Company undertake to replace it by the earliest possible opportunity with ammunition of equal quality.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

[Signature]
Acting Colonial Secretary.

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

(38)

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AGENTS FOR LLOYDS.

TELEGRAMS "FLEETWING PORTSTANLEY" VIA RADIO.

Stanley.

10th June, 1936.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your letter No. 121/29 of June 9th, and to thank you on behalf of the Falkland & Dependencies Sealing Company for the generous loan of 4,000 rounds of .303 ammunition.

I guarantee to replace this loan with ammunition of equal quality at the earliest opportunity.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

N. W. Roberts

for Manager.

The Honourable

The Colonial Secretary

Stanley.

LH/JT.

(39.)

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AGENTS FOR LLOYDS.

TELEGRAMS "FLEETWING PORTSTANLEY" VIA RADIO.

Stanley

18th June, 1936.

Sir,

With reference to the 4,000 rounds of .302 ammunition loaned to the Falkland & Dependencies Sealing Co.Ltd, I have the honour to inform you that owing to the arrival today of our consignment from England, your ammunition will not now be required. Arrangements are therefore being made to return this ammunition immediately.

On behalf of the Falkland & Dependencies Sealing Co.Ltd, please accept our grateful thanks.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

B.W. Power.

for Manager.

The Honourable

The Colonial Secretary

DH/JT.

Stanley.

The Falkland & Dependencies Sealing Co.Ltd.

Kelvin House,
May 15th 1939.

Sir,
I beg to ask if you will kindly consider a loan
to the above Company of 5000 rounds of ammunition from
the stock held by the Defence Force.

I regret having to apply for the above but under the
conditions of short notice that we were able to work this
season it was impossible for us to import same.

The Falkland Islands Company will cable for a stock
to arrive by july boat when the 5000 rounds could be
returned to the Government.

I have the honour,

to be,

Sir,

yours obediently

J.R. Watson

The Honourable,

The Colonial Secretary,

Stanley.

121/29.

17th May,

39.

Sir,

Red Ho.

With reference to your letter of the 15th of May, 1939, I am directed by the Governor to inform you that His Excellency has authorised the loan to your Company by the Falkland Islands Defence Force of 5,000 rounds of .303 Ammunition subject to a guarantee from the Falkland Islands Co., Ltd., that it will be immediately replaced by ammunition of the same quality.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

WCH
Colonial Secretary.

The Secretary,
Falkland Islands & Dependencies
Sealing Co., Ltd.,
STANLEY.

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AGENT FOR LLOYDS

AGENTS FOR
THE PACIFIC STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

TELEGRAMS: "FLEETWING PORTSTANLEY" VIA RADIO.



Stanley.

18th May, 1939.

Sir,

3,200
C.H.

With reference to your letter No. 121/39 dated 17th May, 1939 addressed to The Falklands & Dependencies Sealing Co. Ltd., I have to advise you that 5,000 rounds of .303 ammunition loaned to that Company by the Falkland Islands Defence Force will be replaced from their new supply due to arrive on 11th July next.

I am,

Sir,

your obedient servant,

Don Mack

Manager.

The Honourable

The Colonial Secretary,

Stanley.