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SUBJECT:

VISIT OF H.R.H. THE DUKE OF EDINBURGH

ACCOMMODATION IN STANLEY

CONNECTED FILES.

NUMBER AND YEAR.

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22nd August,

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Sir,

ROYAL VISIT - ACCOMMODATION IN STANLEY.

I am directed to refer to the forthcoming visit to the Colony of His Royal Highness the Duke of Edinburgh and to inform you that it is proposed to arrange transportation to and from Stanley for all persons from the Camp who wish to come in for the occasion.

The Royal Visit will now take place, in so far as Stanley is concerned, on Monday and Tuesday, the 7th and 8th January, 1957. The visit will be preceded by the combined sports meeting to be held on Friday and Saturday, the 4th and 5th January, with dog trials on Sunday, 6th January.

Transportation is being arranged so that people arrive in Stanley p.m. on Thursday, 3rd January and leave late in the evening of the 3th.


Accommodation poses a problem. Many people will no doubt stay with friends or relations in Stanley but there will be quite a number who have no local connections. This applies particularly to unmarried expatriates working in the Camp.

The purpose of this letter is to enquire whether you would be prepared to serve, as Secretary of the Labour Federation, on a sub-committee, of which I will be Chairman, to make arrangements for accommodating the many people who will come into Stanley for the Royal Visit. A similar enquiry has been sent to Mr. Des. Peck and Mr. Tony Hardy.

An early reply would be appreciated.

I am,

Your obedient servant,


Acting Colonial Secretary.

Secretary,

Falkland Islands Labour Federation,

STANLEY.

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A meeting of the sub-committee on accommodation in Stanley for the Royal Visit was held on Monday, 27th August.

Present: Acting C.S. Chairman,
Mr Tony Hardy,
Mr R.V. Goss
Mr Des Ockle.

After discussion, it was agreed that a circular letter be addressed to all householders in Stanley asking them, in the event of their being able to accommodate persons from the Camp, to return a form to be sent with the letter, naming persons who will in any event ~~be~~^{be} staying with them and showing what additional accommodation they can make available.

It was agreed also that, after the Royal Visit programmes had been distributed to the Camp, all farm managers be requested to send a list naming all persons who would be coming into Stanley, showing separately those who had accommodation already arranged.

The Chairman undertook to obtain the required information in the manner agreed.

J.P. 27/8

Falkland Islands Labour Federation

FORMED 28TH OCTOBER, 1943



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be addressed to the
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Telegraphic Address:
"Federation Port Stanley"
Telephone: 123.

Federation Office,
Port Stanley,
Falkland Islands,
.....25th August, 1956..

The Honourable,
The Acting Colonial Secretary,
STANLEY.

Sir,

① I have to acknowledge and thank you for your
letter No. 1765/F of the 22nd August, 1956, containing
certain information regarding the forthcoming visit to
the Colony of His Royal Highness the Duke of Edinburgh.

With reference to your last paragraph, I am fully
prepared to serve as a member of a sub-committee to
make arrangements for accommodating the many people who
will come into Stanley for the Royal Visit.

Yours faithfully,

GENERAL SECRETARY.

Ack'd L.H.
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Colonial Secretary's Office
STANLEY.

31st August, 1956.

Dear Sir or Madam,

As you know, His Royal Highness the Duke of Edinburgh is to visit the Falkland Islands on the 7th, 8th and 9th January, 1957. The Royal Visit will be preceded by the two-day Sports Meeting, organised by the Stanley Sports Association, which will be held on Friday and Saturday the 4th and 5th January. Open Shecpdog Trials will be held on Sunday, 6th January.

It is expected that about 300 persons from the Camp will wish to come into Stanley for the Royal Visit and Sports Meeting.

A Committee has been appointed to go into the question of accommodating all these people and the problem can only be solved with the co-operation of householders in Stanley who are able and willing to put up as many people as they can.

It would therefore assist the Committee in making arrangements if you would kindly complete the enclosed form and return it in the addressed envelope at your early convenience.

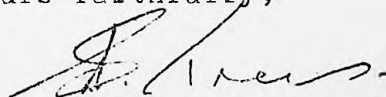
The form is in four parts. Part 1 asks you to name the persons you will be accommodating, i.e., friends or relations you know you will be putting up. In Part 2 you are asked to state how many other persons you are willing to accommodate in addition to those named in Part 1. If you can put up only those persons named in Part 1, then Parts 2, 3 and 4 should be struck out.

If you are not making arrangements to accommodate friends or relations but are able to put up one or more persons, Part 3 should be used and Parts 1, 2 and 4 struck out. Should you be unable to accommodate anyone, then Parts 1, 2 and 3 should be struck out. Will you please place your name and address in the space provided on the form.

It is expected that all persons coming into Stanley in vessels chartered by the Government will arrive during the evening of Thursday, 3rd January and leave during the evening of Tuesday, 8th January, five nights in all. His Royal Highness will be at Fox Bay on Wednesday, 9th January.

Will you please do all you can in making the visit of His Royal Highness a memorable occasion by offering accommodation to as many persons as possible.

Yours faithfully,



for Royal Visit Committee.

ANNOUNCEMENT.

It would be appreciated if all persons in Stanley who have not returned the form enquiring whether they are able to offer accommodation to Camp residents on the occasion of the Royal Visit will do so at their earliest convenience.

(Sgd) S.G. Trees

for ROYAL VISIT COMMITTEE.

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Please broadcast to Stanley only, Thursday, Friday and Saturday, 25th, 26th and 27th October.

SAME LETTER SENT TO THE AUDITOR, DIRECTOR OF CIVIL AVIATION,
 COLLECTOR OF CUSTOMS AND HARBOUR MASTER, ACTING SUPERINTENDENT
 OF EDUCATION, SENIOR MEDICAL OFFICER, CHIEF CONSTABLE, SUPT.
 POSTS AND TELEGRAPHS, SUPT. POWER AND ELECTRICAL DEPT., SUPT.
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 PUBLIC WORKS, THE HON. THE COLONIAL SECRETARY, THE
 ACTING COLONIAL TREASURER.

5th November 56.

Sir,

A circular letter was sent by the Royal Visit Accommodation Committee on the 31st August to all householders in Stanley, enquiring whether residents were able and willing to offer accommodation to persons wishing to come in from the Camp for the Royal visit next January.

Of the 360 letters sent out, 132 replies have been received to date and 75 householders have guaranteed accommodation to no less than 308 persons.

It is regretted, however, that only a small number of replies have been received from civil servants residing in Stanley and it would be appreciated by the Accommodation Committee if you would request the officers in your Department who have not returned their form to do so as soon as possible.

The urgent need is accommodation for single men employed in the Camp who have no friends or relations in Stanley.

I am, Sir,
 Your obedient servant,

for Royal Visit Accommodation Committee.

The Agricultural Officer,
STANLEY.

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Secretariat
Stanley

12th November, 1956.

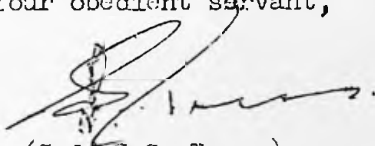
Sir,

On behalf of the Royal Visit Committee I am sending you copies of the Programme of Events on the occasion of the visit to the Colony of His Royal Highness the Duke of Edinburgh.

It would be appreciated if you would arrange for the distribution of programmes to all employees on your Station on the basis of one to each household and one to each single man. Sufficient copies are being sent to meet the requirements you furnished in response to my request for information on the number of houses and the number of single men employed. Three extra copies are also being sent.

The Royal Visit Committee is endeavouring to find accommodation in Stanley for all persons coming in from the Camp and 320 persons to date are assured of quarters in various houses here. Perhaps some of your employees, particularly unmarried expatriates without friends or relations in Stanley, would like to come in for the Royal Visit but have nowhere to stay. It is hoped to arrange barrack accommodation in such cases and it would assist the Committee in making arrangements if you would inform me by letter or telegram before the 10th December of the names of employees who wish to be provided with accommodation. No guarantee can be given, of course, that everyone will be accommodated but every effort will be made on their behalf.

I am, Sir,
Your obedient servant,


(Sgd. S.G. Trees)
for ROYAL VISIT COMMITTEE.