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D.C.S.,

Bu # 14/1/75

I have discussed the question of the Lighthouse contract with the present contractor and with the Harbour Master. We have been unable to trace the original agreement. We can now either have RSC draw up a new form of Agreement or let an exchange of letters form the agreement as appears to have been done with recent amendments to the rate.

PA

I submit, for consideration, a draft Notice calling for tenders. This should issue soon.

*[Signature]*

AS(C) 28.12.78

2.

AS(C)

Right: pl issue

*[Signature]* 28/12

3

C.S.

(98) Minutes of Board of Tenders meeting etc pl.

The previous holder of the contract was paid £500 pa. (revised in 1975), and he had a hidden subsidy as PW conveyed the fuel oil. Falkland Supplies estimates £102 to be the cost of transporting fuel so all in all £126 is a fair price. The D.O.T pay for this and not FIG.

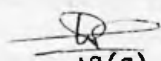
*[Signature]* 16/1/79

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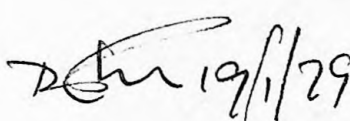
RCS thank you. I agree & minutes approved occy. *[Signature]* 16/1.

D. C. S.,

Draft letters to Dept. of Trade and Mr. P R Short re relief of Lighthouse at centre for consideration please.

  
AS(C) 18.1.79.


AS(C)

PL since  19/1/79

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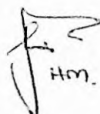
H.M.

To see recent papers on this file pl.

  
25. 4. 79.

AS (C)


Thank you

  
HM. 26/4/79

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H.M.

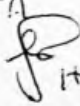
To see <sup>para 1.</sup> (11) /rel. You are quite happy about Peter Short carrying out his obligations? No further action I think?

  
8.6.79

~~AS(C)~~  
20/6

AS(C)

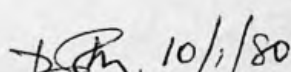
yes NFA

  
HM. 22/6

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HM

(112) How many extra drums were carried?

It doesn't on the face of it seem unreasonable to pay a further <sup>overhead</sup> £11; but grateful your views.  10/1/80

12.

Hm

11 Is Mr Short providing a good service?

Do you think his claim reasonable?

D. Short ~~21.1.80~~ 21.1.80

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DCS

11 93 drums came. This should not arise next year because the PK will only order 80 drums in future.

I am of the opinion that Mr Short is providing a good service and would recommend the payment of the extra £1 per trip

J. H.M.  
23/1/80

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Hm

(116) Pl let me know the reason

D. Short 18/3/80

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CS

93 drums were ordered by PK instead of the usual 80

J. H.M.  
19/5/80

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HMW

P. 122. For your comments pl.

J.  
for C.S.  
19. 1. 81

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Ag DCS

may I speak pl. J. HMW  
21/1/81

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DFS

P. 122. I have discussed with HMW and we feel that the increases requested are not unreasonable. For any comments you may have pl. before referring the matter to the Dept. of Trade & Industry.

J.  
for C.S.  
2. 2. 81

C.S.

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Reference P. 122 I have no objections.

J.S.  
3.2.81

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DCS Grateful if you could pl. discuss F(131)

with H.M. & let me know what you think.

J.S. 10/2

19/12/68 = 6/6 = 32p

17/5/69 = 6/6 = 32p

19/12/70 = 8/2 = 41p

12/6/71 = 8/2 = 41p

21/8/71 = 9/2 = 46p

23/8/71 = 11/5 = 57p

S/e

The above figures represent petrol increases since 1968 + have been submitted by Mr. S.C. Aldridge who transports stores relief to C. S. Lighthouse for an annual contracted figure of, I believe, £225 p.a. Some time ago an adjustment was made to his contract to bring these increased prices + now asks that similar action be taken.

Could you refer me to the file file?

24.9.71

A.C.S.

Will please.

[Signature]

24.9.71

26th October, 71

Dear Sir,

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72  
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In October, 1963, Mr. S. C. Aldridge concluded a contract with your Ministry to carry out the regular transport of stores and relief to Cape Pembroke Lighthouse for the annual sum of £150. My letter 0313/C of 4th October, 1963 refers. Due mainly to increased petrol costs and vehicle maintenance charges it was later agreed (your letter MNA 37/3/01 of 26th January, 1968) to increase the annual payment to £225. Since then there have been further increased costs, particularly in petrol which at the beginning of 1968 sold at 36p per 5 litres and now costs 62<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>p. Labour charges have likewise increased by approximately 20% and materials by perhaps 30%.

2. Mr. Aldridge continues to give excellent service and is completely reliable. I would recommend that a more realistic payment for this service would be £300 per annum, the equivalent of 33<sup>1</sup>/<sub>3</sub>% increase.

Yours faithfully,

(H. L. BOUND)  
for COLONIAL SECRETARY

Trade,  
Missions Aids Branch,  
House,  
Row,  
.1.

Reply d-83

By 15.12.71  
(r)

Department of Trade and Industry

0313/C



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The Colonial Secretary  
Colonial Secretary's Office  
Stanley  
Falklands Islands

Your reference No 0313/C

Our reference MNA 37/3/01

Date 17 November 1971



Dear Sir

Please refer to your letter of 26 October 1971 about the contract with Mr S C Aldridge for the conveyance of stores and reliefs to Cape Pembroke Lighthouse.

In view of the increased costs, and having regard to satisfactory way in which Mr Aldridge continues to carry out his contract duties, the Department approves your recommendation that his fee be increased from £225 to £300 per annum, with effect from 1 October 1971.

Yours faithfully

F Lewis



13th December,

71.

Dear Sir,

I refer to our discussion in this office on 26th October regarding your contract with the Board of Trade for the transport of stores and reliefs to Cape Pembroke Lighthouse and am pleased to inform you that the Board of Trade (now Department of Trade and Industry) have agreed to increase the annual payments for this service from £225 per annum to £300 per annum, with effect from 1st October 1971.

2. A copy of their letter is enclosed for your retention.

Yours faithfully,

(H. L. Bound)  
for COLONIAL SECRETARY

Mr. S. C. Aldridge,  
Stanley.

c.c. Harbour Master  
Colonial Treasurer

*Handwritten initials*

Hms.

Conveyance of Stores & Relief Keepers to & from CPL.

We discussed earlier.

2. Mr. Aldridge's contract is at p 71. Clauses 1 and 3 require him to transport stores each Saturday & on alternate Saturdays to provide transport for Keepers changing duties. Clause 2 provides for the conveyance of fuel. Beyond this he has no other duties with regard to the provision of transport & should he be called upon to provide additional transport he should submit a separate a/c.

3. I understand additional transport was provided on the following occasions

- 6.2.71 ~~W. Clithorne to CPL~~ G. Lyse to Stanley
- 8.2.71 M. McMullen to Stanley - G. Lyse to CPL.
- 9.2.71 C. Dettleff to CPL.
- 1.8.71 C. Dettleff to Stanley.
- 2.8.71 A. Short to CPL

You should arrange with him to submit a/c's for these items so that profit can be made.

14.12.71

C.S.

Mr. Aldridge will submit accounts for the additional keepers - due soon.

10/12

P.A.

From 1<sup>st</sup> Oct 1971

£75

Petrol

from 30<sup>th</sup> to 6.3

30 34

42. 53. 57 63 82

↓  
£300 at present

6

2 gallons  
average

Ag. b. s.

In 1963 Mr. Aldridge received £150 per annum for the carriage of stores etc to the lighthouse. This was increased by £75 to £225 in 1968 due mainly to increased petrol costs and vehicle maintenance charges. In October 1971 it was further increased by £75 to £300 due again to increased costs. Since 1971 the price of petrol has risen from 62½p to 82p per gallon, <sup>the cost of</sup> oil and spares have increased and the cost of living increased by 22%.

In view of the above I would suggest that the Department of Trade + Industry be asked to approve an increase to Mr. Aldridge of £60 per annum with effect from 1<sup>st</sup> January 1974.

J.R.  
9/11/73

DCS

letter pl

Pat  
12/11/73

Yes

17th November 73.

Dear Sirs,

Would you kindly refer to your letter MNA 37/3/01 of 17th November 1971 which conveyed your Department's approval for the fee paid to Mr. S. C. Aldridge for the conveyance of stores and reliefs to Cape Pembroke Lighthouse to be increased from £225 to £300 per annum with effect from 1st October 1971.

2. Since that date the price of petrol has risen from 62½p to 82p per 5 litres, the cost of oil and spares also increased, and the cost of living has increased by 22%.

3. I recommend for your favourable consideration that in view of the foregoing the fee paid to Mr. Aldridge is increased by £60 per annum with effect from 1st January 1974.

4. I am happy to be able to confirm that Mr. Aldridge continues to give satisfactory service and to be thoroughly trustworthy.

Yours faithfully,

(D. R. Morrison)  
AG. CHIEF SECRETARY

Department of Trade and Industry,  
Marine Division,  
Sunley House,  
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The Colonial Secretary  
Colonial Secretary's Office  
Stanley  
Falkland Islands

Your reference CUS/32/4

Our reference MNA 37/3/01

Date 7 December 1973

Dear Sir

Please refer to your letter of 17 November 1973 about the contract with Mr S C Aldridge for the conveyance of stores and reliefs to Cape Pembroke Lighthouse.

In view of the increased costs, and having regard to the satisfactory way in which Mr Aldridge continues to carry out his duties, the Department agrees with your recommendation that his fee be increased to £360 per annum, with effect from 1 January 1974.

Yours faithfully

(D C WATTS)



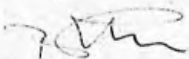
19th December

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Dear Sir,

I refer to the carriage of stores and reliefs to Cape Pembroke Lighthouse and am pleased to inform you that the Department of Trade and Industry has agreed to increase the annual payment for this service from £300 per annum to £360 per annum, with effect from the 1st January 1974.

Yours faithfully,



(D. R. Morrison)  
for CHIEF SECRETARY

Mr. S. C. Aldridge,  
Stanley.

c.c. Harbour Master  
Financial Secretary

COS/32/4

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STANLEY,  
16th December, 1974.

Dear Sir,

I respectfully request that the payment in respect of my Contract for the relief of Cape Pembroke Lighthouse be reviewed. Since the last review effective on 1st January, 1974 petrol prices have increased by 54 pence per gallon. In addition spare parts have also greatly increased in price.

I have been providing the weekly relief of the Lighthouse since 1952.

Yours faithfully,

*S C Aldridge*

(S.C. Aldridge)

The Chief Secretary,  
Secretariat,  
STANLEY.





13th January

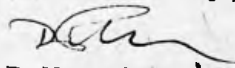
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Dear Sir,

Please refer to your letter of 7th December 1974 regarding the conveyance of stores to Cape Pembroke Lighthouse.

2. I enclose a copy of a letter from the contractor Mr S C Aldridge regarding the increased cost of transporting stores and personnel to and from the Lighthouse.
3. Petrol is now £1.36 per gallon and during the year 1974 the cost of living has increased by 24%.
4. I hope you can agree to an appropriate increase in the amount payable to Mr Aldridge who continues to give reliable service.

Yours faithfully,



(D R Morrison)  
for CHIEF SECRETARY

Reply 93

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The Chief Secretary  
The Secretariat  
STANLEY  
FALKLAND ISLANDS

Your reference

CUS/32/4

Our reference

37/3/01

Date

4 February 1975

Dear Sir

93

Please refer to your letter of 13 January 1975 concerning the contract with Mr S C Aldridge for the conveyance of stores and reliefs to Cape Pembroke Lighthouse.

In view of the increased costs and having regard to the satisfactory way in which Mr Aldridge carries out his duties the Department agrees that the amount payable for these services be increased to £500 per annum with effect from 1 March 1975.

Yours faithfully

H M TURAN

Typist  
Similar letter to (90)  
pl but making it from £360 to £500  
with effect from 1 March 1975

REF: GUS/32/4

14th February

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Mr S C Aldridge  
Stanley

Dear Sir,

I refer to the carriage of stores and reliefs to Cape Newbroke Lighthouse and am pleased to inform you that the Department of Trade and Industry has agreed to increase the annual payment for this service from £360 per annum to £500 per annum, with effect from the 1st March 1975.

Yours faithfully,



(D R Morrison)

For CHIEF SECRETARY

cc Harbour Master  
Financial Secretary



STANLEY,  
12th December, 1978.

Dear Sir,

Due to a major breakdown in the chassis of my Landrover I wish to give a months notice to terminate my contract for the transport of stores and the relief of Cape Pembroke Lighthouse.

I have undertaken this task for the past 27 years and would like to thank the authorities for their co-operation and support over these years.

I have been able to arrange for the relief of the Lighthouse by another person for the next month but would have no objection if you wished to commence another person's contract with effect from 1st January, 1979.

Yours faithfully.

*S.C. Aldridge*

S.C. ALDRIDGE.

The Chief Secretary,  
STANLEY.

Contract for the weekly conveyance of stores and relief to Cape Pembroke Lighthouse (91)

This work is carried out every Saturday afternoon leaving Stanley at 1.30 to go to Lighthouse and leaving Lighthouse to return to Stanley at 3.30.

Two men are always at the Lighthouse while the third man has a break of two weeks in Stanley changing leaf every second week. Every year each keeper is entitled to four weeks in Town, and an outside man is employed to fill his place. This is arranged by the Head Lighthouse Keeper who notifies the contractor of the change.

Every Saturday stores are collected from the homes of the two men on duty at the Lighthouse and taken down also bringing back anything they have to return to their homes. Sometimes there is stores to pick up from the Government Store but the contractor will always be notified by the Head Lighthouse Keeper.

Once a year 80 drums of oil has to be taken to the Lighthouse by the contractor. This is always arranged during the summer months while the track is dry. This is collected from the 9<sup>th</sup> 9<sup>c</sup> Jetty arranging with the Foreman for a suitable time to collect it as they load it on the lorry with their crane.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Tenders are invited for the contract for the conveyance of stores and relief personnel to Cape Pembroke Lighthouse.

The contractor is required to transport stores and relief personnel to and from the lighthouse each week on Saturday afternoon and to deliver diesel oil and kerosene amounting to approximately 80 forty gallon drums per annum.

Further details of the work involved may be had on application to the Secretariat.

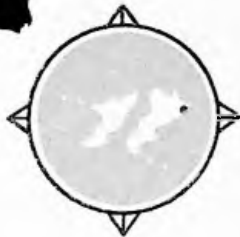
Tenders, endorsed "Cape Pembroke Lighthouse" should be submitted to the Chairman, Tender Board, Secretariat as soon as possible but not later than Monday 3th January and the successful tenderer will be expected to commence the work as soon thereafter as possible.

The Secretariat,  
Stanley.

Public Notice No. 84

28th December 1978

Ref: CUB/32/4



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# FALKLAND (E.C. & P.R. SHORT) SUPPLIES

GENERAL MERCHANTS & AGENTS, 2A, PHILMEL STREET, STANLEY, FALKLAND ISLANDS.  
TELEPHONE:- 297 - 3 rings. TELEGRAMS:- FALKLIES PORTSTANLEY.

6th January, 1979.

Chairman,  
Tender Board,  
Secretariat,  
Stanley.

Provisions Lighthouse.

Dear Sir,

I wish to make the following Tenders for the advertised post of supplying the Cape Pembroke Lighthouse with Provisions, Fuel Oil and Transport of Personell to and from the Lighthouse.

For the weekly supply of Stores and relief personell I Tender £12 per week (£624 per year).

For the annual supply of 80 drums of fuel Oil I Tender £17 per load ( 6 loads £102 per 80 drums).

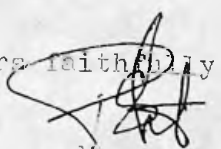
I would like to add that I have one Longwheel based and one Short wheelbased Landrover at my disposal for the weekly supply and for the transport of the fuel oil I have gained the services of a Lorry which is four wheel driven suitable for this type of work.

I understand that the fuel oil will be available for transport to the Lighthouse during the dry season and that it will not be expected to do this work during the Winter.

I hope that my Tender is acceptable and I would hope that with the ever increasing costs that this Tender may be ~~revised~~ <sup>REVISED</sup> annually.

I look forward to your reply and to inform you that I will be available to commence duties as soon as required.

yours faithfully,

  
Manager.

Minutes of a meeting of the Board of Tenders held 17.1.79.

Present: DCS Chairman  
DPS  
AS(C)

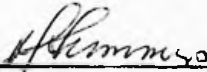
Item for consideration: Conveyance of stores and relief personnel to Cape Pembroke Lighthouse.

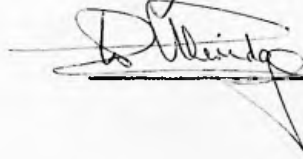
Tenders: Falkland Supplies: Stores and personnel £624 pa  
fuel £102 pa  
£726

Mr Fred Cheek: £1,000

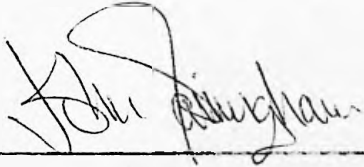
The Board considered Mr Cheek's tender to be excessive and recommend the acceptance of the tender of Falkland Supplies subject to annual review.

  
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DCS

  
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DPS

  
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AS(C)

APPROVED:

  
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CHIEF SECRETARY 16/1/79



37/3/01

25th January

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Department of Trade,  
Marine Division,  
Sunley House,  
950 High Holborn,  
LONDON, WC1V 6LP.

Dear Sirs,

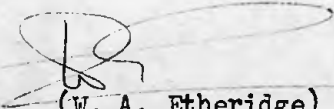
I refer to the contract, held by Mr. S. C. Aldridge, for the conveyance of stores and relief personnel to Cape Pembroke Lighthouse.

Mr. Aldridge, who has carried out this task in exemplary fashion for something like 27 years, has had to give up the task from the end of January 1979, through failure of his vehicle. We have sought tenders for the continuation of the work on the same basis as in the past and recommend the acceptance of the tender (£726 per annum) from Mr. P. R. Short, Manager of "Falkland Supplies", a local firm of General Merchants and Agents. This was the more favourable of only two tenders received (the other being for £1,000 per annum) and we are satisfied that Mr. Short has the resources and capability to carry out this task. Although Mr. Short's tender is some 45% higher than the present contract we do not consider this unreasonable in the light of inflation over the last four years since Mr. Aldridge's last review. We also consider reasonable Mr. Short's request for an annual review in this age of high inflation.

In view of the fact that Mr. Aldridge cannot continue beyond the end of January and the time factor involved in seeking your agreement to the new contractor and increased rates we have conditionally authorised Mr. Short to commence work with effect from the 1st February 1979 and I hope that you will be able to confirm these arrangements.

We shall of course be writing to Mr. Aldridge to express our appreciation for his quite outstanding efficiency and dedication in carrying out this task over so many years, often in difficult winter conditions over the roughest of tracks. You might, therefore, feel that an appreciation might also go directly to Mr. Aldridge from the Department of Trade - I am sure everyone who has served at Cape Pembroke Lighthouse over the past 27 years would endorse anything you or I can say in appreciation of Mr. Aldridge's work.

Yours faithfully,

  
(W. A. Etheridge)  
for CHIEF SECRETARY

31/3/01

1st February


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Department of Trade,  
Marine Division,  
Sunley House,  
90 50 High Holborn,  
LONDON, WC1V 6LP.

Dear Sirs,

Further to my letter of 25th January concerning new arrangements for the relief of Cape Pembroke Lighthouse I should point out that the contract total of £726 is made up of two elements: £12 per week for the routine weekly relief and £102 for the conveyance of fuel. It is proposed that the contractor should be paid the element for the conveyance of fuel as soon as the task is completed. Thus disbursements will not be made in the form of uniform quarterly payments as in the past. The fact is that the annual requirement for fuel is taken to the Lighthouse as a discrete task during the summer when the track is dry and means that if the contractor is paid a uniform quarterly amount he is not fully paid for the task until a year later.

Yours faithfully,

  
(W. A. Etheridge)  
for CHIEF SECRETARY

c.c. Treasury  
Harbour Master

us

1st February 79

The Manager,  
Falkland Supplies,  
2A Philomel Street,  
Stanley.



Dear Sir,

With reference to your tender, dated 6th January 1979, for the conveyance of stores and relief personnel to Cape Pembroke Lighthouse I am pleased to be able to advise you that your tender has been accepted subject to the approval of the Department of Trade in the United Kingdom who are ultimately responsible for Cape Pembroke Lighthouse.

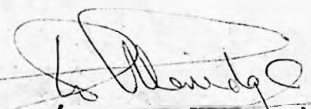
2. In consideration of payment of £12.00 per week, quarterly in arrears, you will be required to carry out a weekly relief to the Lighthouse on Saturday afternoons carrying stores, which you will be required to collect from the homes of the keepers in Stanley, and, as necessary, relief personnel. In addition you will be required to transport to the Lighthouse 80 forty gallon drums of fuel oil and kerosene per annum. For this you will be paid the sum of £102; payable on completion of the task.

1.27½ p  
per drum

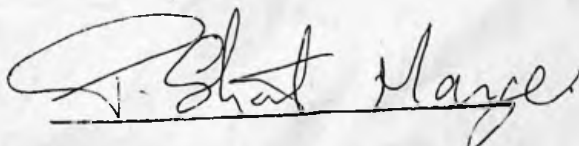
3. I propose that a copy of this letter countersigned by you should constitute an Agreement between yourself and the Government of the Falkland Islands on behalf of the Department of Trade. This Agreement, which is subject to annual review, may be cancelled by either party by giving three months notice in writing at any time. The Agreement shall be effective from 1st February 1979.

4. Kindly disregard my letter of 23rd January which is superseded by this letter and if you agree the terms and conditions mentioned above would you kindly countersign and return the extra copy of this letter enclosed herewith.

Yours faithfully,

  
(W. A. Etheridge)  
for CHIEF SECRETARY

Countersigned by P. R. Short, Esquire, Manager, Falkland Supplies





DEPARTMENT OF TRADE  
Sunley House, 90-93 High Holborn  
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Telephone: 01-405 6911

Your ref: CUS/32/4  
Our ref: MNA 37/3/01



The Chief Secretary,  
The Secretariat  
Stanley  
Falkland Islands  
South Atlantic.

28 March, 1979

Dear Sir,

CAPE PEMBROKE LIGHTHOUSE

I am replying somewhat belatedly to your <sup>(104)</sup> letters of 25th January and 1st February <sup>(105)</sup> about the contract for the conveyance of stores and relief personnel to Cape Pembroke Lighthouse. In the circumstances, I am sure you were right to accept Mr. Short's tender with effect from 1st February 1979 and our agreement with such action is confirmed. I also agree that the amount payable should be subject to annual review, and that the element in respect of the conveyance of fuel (at present £102) should be paid as soon as that requirement has been completed. Doubtless you will let us have a copy of the contract with Mr. Short in due course.

It is indeed refreshing to learn that Mr. Aldridge has given such reliable service for so many years and I should be grateful if you would kindly pass on to him the enclosed letter of appreciation from the Head of this Branch.

Yours faithfully  
E A PHILLIPS *E A Phillips*

24th April

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Mr. E. A. Phillips,  
Department of Trade,  
Sunley House,  
90-93 High Holborn,  
London WC1V 6LP


Dear Sir,

Cape Pembroke Lighthouse (107)

Thank you for your letter MNA 37/3/01 of 28th March 1979.

We have not entered into a formal contract as such with Mr. Short but have confirmed the arrangements by means of a letter, countersigned by Mr. Short, setting out the terms and conditions of the contract, a copy of which is enclosed herewith. If you require something more formal kindly let me have a pro forma and I will arrange for it to be signed by Mr. Short and Government on your behalf. I may say that the new contractor seems to be carrying out his duties entirely satisfactorily.

Yours faithfully,

  
W. A. Etheridge  
for CHIEF SECRETARY

Enc.

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24th April

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The Manager,  
Falkland Supplies,  
2A Philomel Street,  
Stanley.

Dear Sir,

This is just to confirm that we have now had confirmation from the Department of Trade that they agree the terms and conditions for the contract for the conveyance of stores and personnel to Cape Pembroke Lighthouse. It is not clear whether they will require a more formal contract document than the exchange of letters under which we are at present operating. I think not but I have sent them a copy of the letter which you countersigned and asked if this is sufficient. I will let you know the position as soon as I have had a reply.

Yours faithfully,



W. A. Etheridge  
for Chief Secretary

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Your reference CUS/32/4 ✓  
CUS/4/1  
Our reference MNA 37/3/01  
MNA 37/2/01  
Date 29 May 1979

Dear Sir

CAPE PEMBROKE LIGHTHOUSE

I refer to your letter of 24th April (CUS/32/4) about the Agreement with Mr P R Short, Manager of Falkland Supplies. The letter to him which he has countersigned is perfectly satisfactory for the purpose in question, but we do have one observation. The earlier Agreement with Mr Aldridge contained a provision which ensured that there would be a service in any event. Presumably you are satisfied that there is now no risk of a breakdown in the arrangement.

I would also refer to your letter of 26th April (CUS/4/1) about the impending retirement of Mr George Lyse, the Principal Keeper. According to information contained in our files it would seem that his pension falls to be dealt with under the relevant local legislation ie The Falkland Islands Pensions Ordinance 1965. We are looking into the matter, and will write further in due course.

Yours faithfully

E A PHILLIPS

CUS/32/4

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Chief Secretary,  
Secretariat,  
Stanley.



Falkland Supplies,  
2a, Philomel Street,  
Stanley.

5th January, 1980.

Dear Sir,

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We refer to our letter of the 6th January, 1979 and to your reply of the 1st February, 1979 Ref CUS/32/4 reference Tender for conveying Stores and Fuel to Cape Pembroke Lighthouse.

In this correspondence we agreed to transport 80 Drums of Fuel Oil to the Lighthouse each year but due to some misunderstanding in shipments this amount has become in excess of 80 Drums. On arranging to transport the drums of Diesel Oil just before Christmas it was found that the amount to be transported was in excess of that expected and to save delaying the transport we arranged to have the full amount moved.


These extra drums have made it necessary for an extra trip of the Lorry than we Tendered for and we ask if you would consider payment of one extra load which would amount to £17.

When we made our Tender last January it was agreed that the Tender should be looked at annually. We will be writing to you on this later this month when we have discussed the situation with our Lorry Driver.

Since last January Salaries have increased also Diesel Oil, Spare Parts for Vehicles along with other sundry items so it would seem justified that the Tender made last year should be looked at.

In our next letter we will detail all the increase and outline our corresponding amounts accordingly which we hope will receive your consideration.

yours faithfully,

  
Manager.



Chief Secretary,  
Secretariat,  
Stanley.



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Falkland Supplies,  
2a, Philomel Street,  
Stanley.  
16th January, 1980.

Dear Sir,

I refer to my letter to the Chairman Tender Board of the 6th January, 1979 and to your letter of the 1st February, 1979 reference CUS/32/4 in respect of the Tender offered for Transport of Stores and Fuel to Cape Pembroke Lighthouse.

I have now almost completed one years Transport to the Lighthouse and in view of many increases in costs am asking if the Department of Trade would consider an increase in the payments based on the following information.

Hourly Rates have increased during the year by 6½p per hour. Fuel Oil has increased by 9p per gallon. There are also other increases such as Old Age Pensions, Medical Services Levy and Spare Parts for the Vehicles which have experienced a substantial Increase during the year.

I think that it would be in order for me to ask an increase in the weekly transport of stores of £1 making the weekly transport £13 per week.

The transport of the 80 drums fuel oil to be increased by £1 per load from £17 to £18 making the yearly transport of the Oil which is 6 loads £106.

If the department of Trade will agree to these increases we suggest that the new rates should come in to operation as from the 1st February, 1980 but we appreciate that it will take some time to contact the Department of Trade and we do not expect to receive confirmation by the 1st February.

We look forward to hearing from you and hope that you are in agreement with these increases.

yours faithfully,

Manager.

23 January

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The Department of Trade  
Sunley House  
90-93 High Holborn  
London WC1V 6LP

Dear Sirs,

CAPE PEMBROKE LIGHTHOUSE

Please refer to your file MNA 37/3/01 about the conveyance of stores and fuel to Cape Pembroke Lighthouse.

The contractor has sent me the attached two letters claiming:

- i) an additional £17 for an extra load of oil;
- ✓ ii) an increase in the rate for conveyance of oil from £17 to £18 per load when next this arises;
- ✓ iii) an increase of £1 in the weekly rate from £12 to £13;
- iv) increases ii) and iii) to be effective from 1 February 1980.

I think Mr Short's request for increases are reasonable and I recommend acceptance.

Yours faithfully,

D R Morrison  
for CHIEF SECRETARY

cc Harbour Master

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14/3

FROM DEPT OF TRADE MARINE DIVISION LONDON

SRL NO 3904 OF 14/3/80

TO THE SECRETARIAT GOVERNOR FK

**ACTION  
COPY**

FOR MORRISON FROM ROBSON.

CAPE PEMBROKE LIGHTHOUSE.

YR LETTER <sup>(115)</sup> CUS/32/4 OF 23 JAN.

WE AGREE TO 110 AND 1110 BACKDATED TO 1 FEB 1980.

PLEASE EXPLAIN WHY MR SHORT HAD TO TRANSPORT MORE THAN 80 DRUMS

AS IN 10. HIS REASON IS NOT CLEAR.

NNNN

SENT 1405 14/3/80 DD

214 GOVERNOR FK

264084 MARBOT G

12 May 80

Mr Robson  
Dept of Trade, Marine Division  
Sunley House  
90-93 High Holborn  
London WC1V 6LP

Dear Mr Robson,

Please refer to your SRL No 3904 of 14 March about the conveyance of fuel and stores to Cape Pembroke Lighthouse.

I am sorry it has taken so long to reply to your query but I have been awaiting a reply from the Harbourmaster.

The reason for the additional load was that 93 drums were ordered by the Principal Keeper instead of the usual 80.

I hope you can now authorise the payment of the additional £17.

Yours sincerely,

D R Morrison  
for CHIEF SECRETARY

cc Harbourmaster

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13 May

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Mr P Short  
Stanley

Dear Sir,

I refer to your letter of 16 January and express regret that you have not had a reply before this.

I am pleased to be able to tell you that the Department of Trade has approved an increase in the rate for the conveyance of oil from £17 to £18 per load, and an increase in the weekly rate from £12 to £13 with effect from 1 February 1980.

The question of the payment of an additional £17 for an extra load of oil will be notified to you on receipt of the Department's agreement.

Yours faithfully,



D R Morrison

for CHIEF SECRETARY

cc Treasury  
Harbourmaster

cus/32/4

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Chief Secretary,  
Secretariat,  
Stanley.

Falkland Supplies,  
Stanley.  
26th August, 1980.



Dear Sir,

I refer to my letter to you dated 16th January, 1980 and to your reply to my letter on the 13th May, 1980, confirming the acceptance by the Department of Trade in the increase in the fees for transporting Oil and Provisions to Cape Pembroke Lighthouse as from 1st February, 1980.

One item which was contained in my letter was that of one additional load of fuel which was over and above the annual amount agreed to be transported by me. I asked if the Department would consider the additional load as it seemed pointless at the time to transport the amount agreed and leave the remainder on the Jettty until agreement was reached.

We have not heard any results of this yet and we are wondering if your office has received any information from the Department of Trade on the matter. We look forward to your reply and would ask that if you have not received correspondence from the Department perhaps you would consider a reminder to them.

yours faithfully,

Manager.

*Mr Short told that  
a reminder sent.*

*29/8/80*

CS. Ribn  
Re 3/10 (121)

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FROM DEPT OF TRADE MARINE DIV LONDON

SRL NO 5633 OF 3/10/30

TO THE SECRETARIAT STANLEY, FALKLAND ISLANDS

FOR MORRISON FROM ROBSON.  
CAPE PEMBROKE LIGHTHOUSE.

AUTHORITY GIVEN FOR EXTRA PAYMENT OF STERLING POUNDS 17 TO MR SHORT,  
AND CARDIFF ADVISED. APOLOGIES FOR DELAY.

*p Short advised  
by telephone so he  
can submit his bill.*

NNNN

SENT 1230 3/10/30 DB

214 GOVERNOR FK  
264034 MARBOT GT

*Aq Hm  
To note pl. Do you want a  
voucher prepared?*

*JCS Noted T.Y. Voucher not required  
D.H. 8/10/30  
P.M. 8/10/30*

CUS/32/4 (122)

Chief Secretary,  
Secretariat,  
Stanley.



Falkland Supplies,  
2a, Philomel Street,  
Stanley,  
15th January, 1981.

Conveyance Stores and Fuel Oil to Cape Pembroke Lighthouse.

Dear Sir,

With the approach of the end of another year on the 31st January I find it necessary to again revise the prices which we are at present conveying Stores and Fuel Oil to Cape Pembroke Lighthouse. During the past year there has been many increases in the rates of pay for workers, also there have been increases in the selling price of Petrol the latter increase being more than 10%. Over the past year I have been forced to use a Petrol Landrover. During 1981 I hope that it will be possible to make use of my Diesel Landrover after having an extensive overhaul but again it ~~XXXXX~~ would seem that an expected price increase of this fuel could be around 50%. I have also discussed the situation with my Lorry Owner who transports the fuel oil and regret that as from the 1st February, 1981 we will have to make the following increases.

Transport of 80 Drums Fuel Oil per year six Loads £120.

Transport of weekly Stores £15 per week each Saturday.

We look forward to your reply and the approval of the Department of Trade.

yours faithfully,

Manager.



9th February

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The Department of Trade  
(Marine Division),  
Sunley House,  
90-93 High Holborn,  
London WC1V 6LP.

cc: Harbour Master

Dear Sirs,

Cape Pembroke Lighthouse

Would you please refer to your file MNA 37/3/01 regarding the conveyance of stores and fuel to Cape Pembroke Lighthouse.

2. I have now received a letter from Mr. Peter Short, the contractor, requesting -

- i) an increase in the rate for conveyance of oil, from £18 to £20 per load. The total cost of transporting 80 drums of fuel for the year would thus be £120, i.e. 6 loads @ £20 per load;
- ii) an increase of £2 in the weekly rate for transporting stores, i.e. from £13 per week to £15 per week.

3. In view of rising costs in the Colony, particularly in the case of motor fuel, I think Mr. Short's request for increases is reasonable and I recommend that it should be accepted with effect from 1st February 1981.

Yours faithfully,

CHIEF SECRETARY

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Your reference CUS/32/4

Our reference MNA 37/3/01

Date 2 June 1981



Dear Mr Browning

CAPE PEMBROKE LIGHTHOUSE

Thank you for your letter of 24 April addressed to Mrs King, in which you requested a reply to your letter of 9 February about Mr Short's contract for conveying stores and fuel to the above lighthouse. Please accept my apologies for our failure to reply sooner. Mrs King was transferred to another post about that time, and has been replaced by Cyril Robinson.

We agree that the rate for conveying oil be increased from £18 to £20 per load and an increase made for transporting stores from £13 to £15 per week, with effect from 1 February 1981.

This letter, together with your letter of 9 February, is being copied to our Accounts Branch in Cardiff.

Yours sincerely

J W ROBSON

15th June

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Mr Peter Short,  
Stanley.

Dear Sir,

Depe Pembroke Lighthouse

Further to my letters EUS/32/4 of 9th February 1981 and 29th April, 1981, I am happy to be able to write to you advising you that I have now heard from the Department of Trade (Marine Division) that it has been agreed that the rate for conveying oil from Stanley to the Lighthouse be increased from £18 to £20 per load and that an increase be made for transporting stores from £13 to £15 per week, with effect from 1st February 1981.

2. This letter is being copied to the Customs and Harbour Department and to the Treasury for information and necessary follow-up action.

Yours faithfully,



for CHIEF SECRETARY.

cc. Customs & Harbour Dept.  
Treasury

Chief Secretary  
Secretariat,  
Stanley.




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Falkland Supplies,  
Stanley.  
16th June, 1981.

Dear Sir,

Thank you for your letter of the 15th June, 1981  
your Rfe CUS/32/4.

We are pleased to learn that the Department of Trade (Marine Division) has agreed to our request for the increases necessary in transporting Stores and Fuel Oil to Cape Pembroke Lighthouse.

yours faithfully,

  
Manager.

Chief Secretary,  
Secretariat,  
Stanley.



Falkland Supplies,  
Stanley.  
16th July, 1982.

Dear Sir,

I am writing to you for information regarding Cape Pembroke Lighthouse and my position in respect of transporting stores. During the Argentine occupation I did three trips to Cape Pembroke Lighthouse, one which was a normal Saturday run and the other two trips being during the week to remove our personell to safety. I must say that these trips were far from nice with the increase in that Area of Argentine weapons and security, however the Customs Officer is reluctant to accept my normal charges for these three trips which were entirely for the safety of our own personell.

In addition to this my contract clearly states that three months notice must be given from either side and on contacting the Customs Officer he will not make any payments for this period of Argentine occupation. I strongly feel that under the conditions of my contract I am entitled to three months pay in addition to the three trips which I did for the safety of our own personell.

It is correct to believe that the Lighthouse keepers were paid their normal salaries for the period of Argentine Occupation and I believe that they are in fact not required to give any period of notice under their contract, and that perhaps a months notice would be the longest required for them not to loose any money.

I would be pleased if you would let me have your views on this situation as soon as possible because we are under very heavy financial difficulties at this present time.

yours faithfully,  
  
 Manager.

Chief Secretary,  
Secretariat,  
Stanley.

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Falkland Supplies,  
Stanley,  
Falkland Islands.  
25th November, 1982.

Dear Sir,

I refer to my letter to you of the 16th July, 1982 reference Cape Pembroke Lighthouse to which I have not had a reply. Since writing the letter to you I have been paid for the three trips which was done by me to Cape Pembroke during the Argentine Occupation, but nothing has been forthcoming in respect of Government on behalf of the Board of Trade acknowledging my signed Contract.


My Contract states that I am contracted for one weekly trip to Cape Pembroke each Saturday and that this Contract can only be terminated by either side in writing and that three months notice must be given.

To date my Contract has not been terminated and in view of the fact that perhaps the Keepers could still be on pay I feel strongly that at least three months of my contract should be acknowledged.

I did endeavour through your Deputy, several weeks ago to arrange an appointment with you to discuss the situation but I believe that at that time you were extremely busy, and this could still be the case, but this is a very important matter to me as I am unable to accept other work of this nature whilst this contract is unacknowledged and I am unaware of the situation. It also makes me very reluctant to enter into any other form of contract with either this Administration or the Board of Trade.

I look forward to your earliest reply to the situation.

yours faithfully,

  
Peter R. Short, Manager.

