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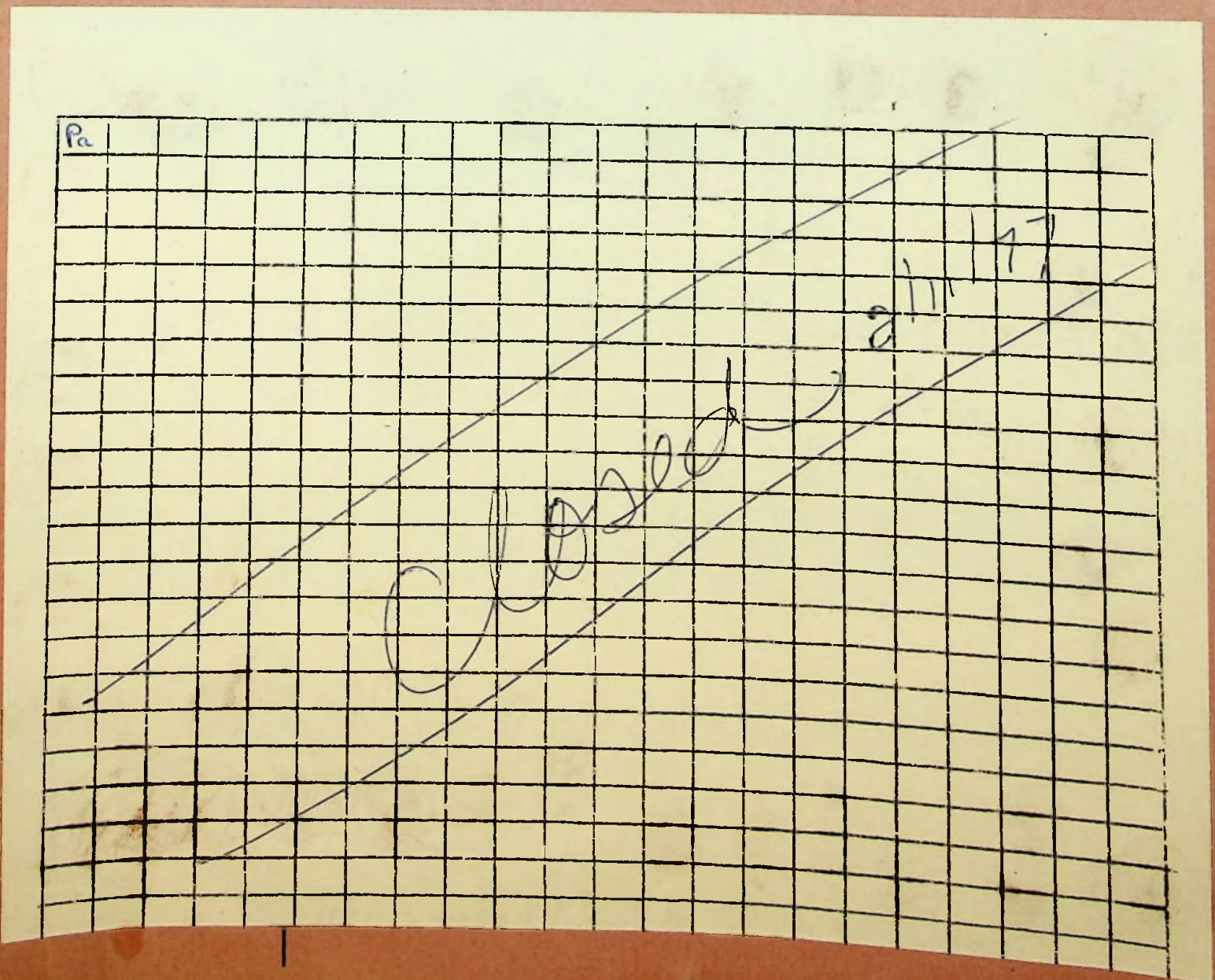
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NAVIGATION LIGHTS & BEACONS.

RADIO BEACON.

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CROWN AGENTS

FOR OVERSEA GOVERNMENTS AND ADMINISTRATIONS

W10/Sales 2101

TELEGRAMS { INLAND: "CROWN, SOWEST, LONDON"
OVERSEA: "CROWN, LONDON"

TELEPHONE: ABBEY 7730

TELEX NO. 24209



4. MILLBANK,
LONDON, S.W.1.

21st November, 1961.

Sir,

Your Ref: 1537 of the 19th May & 17th August.
Disposal of Surplus Marconi Radio Beacon.

I am directed to refer again to correspondence on the above subject and to inform you with regret that initial efforts to dispose of the Beacon to Authorities in the United Kingdom have not proved successful.

Further enquiries are being made, however, amongst the Crown Agents' Oversea Principals and details of any offers received will of course be referred to you for consideration.

I am, Sir,
Your obedient servant,

H Taylor

2242

*We can H.V for a few months
if notes materials we*

The Colonial Secretary,
Stanley,
Falkland Islands.

*could (rather than
it for a couple of years
in case racks turned up
before finally deciding to dump it*

[Signature]
G/CAHC

22/11/61

BU 18.2.62

BU Tuesday 16.1.62 for discussion S.P.

Shown to SP7.

He says would like the memo

CROWN AGENTS

He says he likes ordinary memos for

index articles & not sending them

Actually belongs to his Radio Bureau

Presumably if the memo was ever to be used

again which seems unlikely, the memo

would be put in it doesn't seem worth memos

he wants a chance

The question of having copies

31 of 1537 refers to page 83 of

FIDS 77/VOL I & we can work on

See page 4
of 83 in
FIDS 77

with the doc has been worked out by whom

This old file contains a handwritten list

should NOT combine into a new volume

Instead let us have a file for management

& a file for this because

12/1/62

No. _____

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



MEMORANDUM

17th January, 19 62.

To The Honourable, _____

The Colonial Secretary, _____

STANLEY, _____

From The Superintendent, _____

Posts and Telegraphs,
Stanley, Falkland Islands.

SUBJECT :- Radio Beacon Equipment ex South Georgia.

With the proposed move of the W/T Control to the Gymnasium in view, the two galvanised masts which form part of the above equipment would be most useful for the new receiving aerials and I am to enquire whether these masts may be transferred to this Department? If this is agreed we would like to take them over now and put them in a state of preservation - they are at present lying outside at the Naval W/T Station, Woody Valley.


Superintendent

*minutes 4
written to-day
7/1/62*

Reply at 6.

Please have copy of item 2 of 49 of FVDS 77 Vol 1
of sent it to SOT. ~~or my he in to fact for~~
his ~~transfer~~ would be how wishes to be
This was paid for for Defendant's funds
and I presume he no ^{reasonable} report
LIV has to be made for ~~Adm~~ funds to Dep
funds. no exact amount would ^{approximately} ~~presently~~
be decided to ~~workable~~ between him ^{you} 407.00

At BMS

or 24/1/62

2177/A

31st January, 62

To: The Superintendent

From: The Colonial Secretary,

Posts & Telegraphs,

STANLEY.

Radio Beacon Equipment ex South Georgia

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I am directed to refer to your memorandum of 17th January, 1962, and to enclose an extract from an invoice and to say that this is, I suppose, what you now wish to buy. As the masts were paid for from Dependencies funds I presume that some reasonable payment will have to be made from Colony funds to Dependencies funds. The exact amount could presumably be decided in consultation between yourself, HCT and A/T BAS.

82
(Sgd) RHD Manders.

COLONIAL SECRETARY

Extract from an Invoice of 12th July, 1951, reference EM.1/FIDS 537/1

filed in FIDS/77/Vol. I.

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Radio Beacons for South Georgia

<u>Item No</u>	<u>Quantity</u>	<u>Detailed description of articles</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Amount</u>
2	2	Aerial and earth equipment, to schedule items 9, 11, 12, quotation item 1.2	£4.30	£860 - -

Bu 1736

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CROWN AGENTS

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4, MILLBANK,

LONDON, S.W.1.



5th February, 1962.

Sir,

223 in 1537

Your Reference: No.1537 dd. 17. 8. 61.
Disposal of surplus Radio Beacon etc.

I am directed to refer again to the above subject and to inform you with regret that efforts made so far, to find a market for this equipment have proved unsuccessful.

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The Crown Agents have been in touch with Trinity House for sometime in the hope of being able to dispose of the Beacon in that direction, but it would now appear that it is not suitable for use by that Administration as evidenced by the attached copies of the Secretary's letter.

Further efforts will be made however, to interest other of the Crown Agents' Principals and you will be informed if any offers are received.

I am, Sir,
Your obedient servant,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Stanley", written over a horizontal line.

The Colonial Secretary,
Stanley,
FALKLAND ISLANDS.

EAG/PH.



Trinity House
Tower Hill, London E.C.3
Telegrams: Dioptric Fen London
Telephone: ROYAL 6601, ext.

Please address any reply to
THE SECRETARY

and quote: L.1596/1961
Your reference: W10/SALLES 2101

30th January 1962

Sir,

With reference to your letters dated 28th November 1961 and 5th January 1962 concerning the navigational Radio Beacon ex the Falkland Islands I am directed to inform you that owing to the Corporation's Radio Beacon Modernisation Programme the only parts of the equipment offered which would have been acceptable to us are the two transmitters had they been of Trinity House type.

2. The transmitters offered are standard Marconi Type R.B.109 which is virtually obsolete and it would be almost impossible and totally uneconomic to modify them to the Trinity House Type LA.2. The main differences between the two types of transmitter are as follows:-

- Different chassis layout
- Different coils
- Different valves (the LA.2 type uses C.V. type valves).

It is regretted that it is not possible to suggest any Authority who might be interested in the equipment offered.

I am, Sir,
Your obedient Servant,

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

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See
See 2
for Secretary

NFA at home
22/1/62

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4, MILLBANK,
LONDON, S.W.1.

9th February, 1962

Sir,

Your ref.No.1537 dated 19th May, 1961
and 17th August, 1961.

but

Disposal of Radio Beacon

I am directed to refer again to the above subject and to ask if you will be good enough to provide further information before attempts are made to dispose of the equipment elsewhere, as mentioned in this Office letter of the 5th February.

Upon re-examining the Specifications, Drawings, etc. sent under cover of your letter of the 17th August, it is noted that, in addition to the actual Transmitter, the equipment includes extra tools, paint; 60 ft. tubular masts with accessories; batteries, diesel generating plant, etc.

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As it is not clear what portion of the equipment listed is included in the sale, your assistance in clarifying this point would be greatly appreciated. Two copies of the Schedule RC.64496 are enclosed and it is suggested that, if possible, one copy be returned to this Office indicating the items available. You will note that under Section D only one set of erection gear was to be supplied for two sets of masts. Is this erection gear to be included in the sale?

As you will no doubt appreciate, an oversea buyer will require to know the weights, dimensions, etc. of cases and loose material in order that freight costs can be estimated. It will be very helpful, therefore, if you can provide this information in your reply.

It is again requested that no arrangements be made to ship the equipment to the United Kingdom, as it may take some time to locate a buyer and the Crown Agents have no adequate accommodation for a prolonged period of storage.

I am, Sir,
Your obedient servant,

Reply at 23.

The Colonial Secretary,
Stanley,
Falkland Islands.

EAG/SRJ

SPT See 11. I must ask your department
to provide the necessary information.

We should also tell him of the intention to
sell the marks to the Colonial Government.

Could you please suggest a reply to 11?

gm
8/3/62.

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H.C.S.

A list of the equipment is given at folio 206 in 1537 attached
but there are some 13 unopened cases with no details of contents. May
I suggest that a search be made for the original shipping documents and
then I think A.C.'s list could be reconciled with the Schedule enclosed
with folio 11. To open the cases and endeavour to check the contents
would be futile as we have no radio beacon experts and many of the items
would be unrecognisable.

15 8.3.62.
gm
10/3/62.

Sec Bal.

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209/210 in attached file.

I wonder if you could cause a further
search to be made. It is just possible that
the original invoices may still be traced in
your Accounting Office as I understand from
our Treasury that all Crown Agents' vouchers
& accounts were passed over to Mr. Ince when
he arrived in 1956(?).

12.3.62

R.O. (BAS)

17

Can you help, please?

18 12/3/62

Secretary BAS.

I regret that since all accounts
prior to July 1953 have been destroyed.

ACS as above. 12/3/62

12/3/62

SP7.

(think all we can do is to tell them that everything is preserved to be still there except the marks which you are buying or to give the weights & dimensions. explaining why we have not opened & examined - up individual packages.

26/3/62

21.

M.S.

Perhaps we could go a little further & say

- (i) Masts and Erection Gear
- (ii) Anti-Dreeze Mixture (no amount are listed on A.O's list)
- (iii) Paint

tools
Distilled water

These would be partially used on the one beam erected at S. Georgia & what remained will not be in the unopened cases.

22.

19.3.62.

Speken to SP7. see 206

in 1937-

We are buying Mast sections.

also (We can tell colour has

been will be 7-11 and A & B

and the boxes marked 17943

etc. — 27452 (see above)

So it ~~was~~ is not made we as open's he says as we would not be able to identify the contents - Unfortunately we have not the original list's or we wonder whether they have a coded identities contents from the numbers -

20/3/62

24th March,

62.

Gentlemen,

Disposal of Radio Beacons

I am directed to refer to your letter W10/Sales 2101 of 9th February, 1962, and to say that the following list of equipment should be offered:-

- 7. Bags lagging
- 1. Diesel Generator set complete
- 1. Air Trunk
- 1. Large fuel tank
- 1. Small fuel tank
- 1. Small package asbestos sheets
- 1. Bundle wood lathes
- 11. Batteries unpacked
 - 1. Radio Beacon Transmitter Type RB. 109
 - 1. Automatic Code sender No. 41663
 - 1. Rotary Converter Type A.52 No. 446341
 - 1. Synchronode Beacon Contactor
 - 1. Contactor unit for 55/88 volt supply
 - 1. G.E.C. Propellor fan and motor

Also the contents of boxes marked:-

17493
 17495
 17579
 17598
 17580
 17596
 1759? (Marked Fragile)
 17590
 96473
 8801-(1) 1223/1227
 8801-(4) 1228/1232
 8801-(3) 1228/1232
 27452 (06546)

2. It is not considered advisable to open these boxes as we would not be able to identify the contents without the original packing lists which unfortunately are not available. Perhaps you could enquire if copies of the invoices etc. are still available in your office or alternatively from the suppliers.

I am,
 Gentlemen,
 Your obedient servant,

(Sgd.) H.L. Bound

for COLONIAL SECRETARY.

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

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CROWN AGENTS

FOR OVERSEA GOVERNMENTS AND ADMINISTRATIONS

4, MILLBANK,

LONDON, S.W.1.

16 APR. 1962

Sir,

I am directed to inform you that the Crown Agents' have been requested by the Falkland Islands Government to assist in disposing of a Marine Navigational Radio Beacon which is surplus to requirements. The full list of equipment listed by the Government is as follows:-

7. Bags lagging
1. Diesel Generator set complete
1. Air Trunk
1. Large fuel tank
1. Small fuel tank
1. Small package asbestos sheets
1. Bundle wood lathe
11. Batteries unpacked.
1. Radio Beacon Transmitter Type RB.109
1. Automatic Code sender No.41663
1. Rotary Converter type A.52 No.446341
1. Synchronode Beacon Contactor
1. Contactor unit for 55/88 volt supply
1. G.E.C. Propellor fan and motor

In addition there are thirteen unopened boxes of stores and accessories relating to this equipment.

The equipment was originally supplied to the Falkland Islands Government in 1951/2 by Messrs. Marconi's Wireless Telegraph Co.Ltd. but, due to a shortage of technicians, it was not possible to erect and operate the beacon. It has not, therefore, been used, or even unpacked for inspection, and it is consequently presumed to be in a good condition.

It is thought that your Administration may be interested in acquiring equipment of this type, and I am to enquire whether you wish to make an offer and, if so, on what terms.

If you are interested please write to the Crown Agents, quoting reference W10/Sales 2101.

I am, Sir,
Your obedient servant,

[Handwritten signature]

*gln
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*BU 30/10/62
12/4/62*

16 KIV

31. 5. 63

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Act ~~to~~ o/c w/i Swain
to be Board of Survey.

Sw.
9/7

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CROWN AGENTS

FOR OVERSEA GOVERNMENTS AND ADMINISTRATIONS

4, MILLBANK,

LONDON, S.W.1.

26th April 1962

Sir,

23 Your Reference: 2177/A dd. 24. 3. 62.
----- Disposal of Radio Beacon -----

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--- I am directed to acknowledge receipt of your
above mentioned letter, and to enclose for your informa-
tion, a copy of a letter which has been circulated to
various Administrations for which the Crown Agents act.

You will be advised of the result in due course.

I am, Sir,
Your obedient servant,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to be "W. C. ...".

The Colonial Secretary,
Stanley,
Falkland Islands.

/PH.

2177/A

27

10th June,

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To: Mr. W. Roberts,

From: The Colonial Secretary,

Stanley.

u.f.s. Supt. Posts & Tels.

Radio Beacon

I refer to the Radio Beacon which is at present lying at the Naval Wireless Station and have to inform you that you have been appointed Chairman of a Board of Survey to inspect and submit recommendations as to the disposal of the Beacon and associated equipment.

Attempts were made by the Crown Agents to dispose of the Beacon and equipment but no offers were received.

The correspondence on the Beacon may be inspected at the Secretariat.

The other member of the Board will be Mr. D.R. Morrison.

JRM

COLONIAL SECRETARY

Copy to SPT

LS

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Rec 24/6/65
(epost)

Stanley,
23rd June, 1965.

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Dear Sir,

In accordance with the instructions contained in your memorandum of the 10th June, 1965, we the undersigned members of a Board of Survey have today inspected the acid Radio Beacon and equipment and recommend that the diesel generator together with the lead acid batteries and acid be put up for public tender and the radio spares transferred to the the Wireless Station stores.

We are
Your obedient servants

L. Roberts

Chairman

D. P. Moore

Member

The Hon Colonial Secretary,
Stanley.

Action approved

Shumma
es.

23/6/65

PUBLIC NOTICE

Tenders are invited for the following surplus stores which once formed part of a radio beacon -

1 diesel generator, vertical single cylinder, water cooled four stroke 5 B.H.P. 1500 rp.m., mounted on fabricated baseplate directly coupled to charging shunt wound generator 2.5 KW 60/82 volt complete with electric starting equipment.

6 volt batteries
and
a quantity of acid

Inspection of the items which are at the Naval Wireless Station can be arranged through the Superintendent Public Works Department.

Tenders should reach the Secretariat by the 3rd July, 1965.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Stanley, Falkland Islands.

no: 2177/A
4 June, 1965.

Bu 7765

Bu 4/7/65.
ACS No tenders

J. A. Lee.
Walker Creek,
% Clive Allan.
Stanley.

The Colonial Secretary.
Stanley.

Dear Sir,

I hereby wish to submit
tender in the sum of £30. (thirty pound.)
for surplus stores as advertised, to wit:-
2 1/4 K.W. Diesel Generator.

Yours faithfully

Sgd. John A. Lee.

Reply at 31.

S. Reply to C. Allan please.

CS

The sole applicant!

JAL
7.7.65

SPE assumes we we
cannot use any of this

Sole
Approved

SI.

8/7

17th July,

65

Dear Sir,

I refer to your tender of thirty pounds for surplus stores which formed part of a saddle horse and have to advise you that your tender has been accepted.

Payment should be made to the Treasury and arrangements made with the Superintendent of Works for the collection of the items as soon as possible.

Yours faithfully,

(D.R. Morrison)

For COLONIAL SECRETARY

Mr. J.A. Ice,
c/o Mr. G. Allen,
STANLEY.

Copy to S/W

Treasury