

C. S. O.

(Formerly)

SUBJECT :

0183

6183

Requirements of Diesel Oil from Montevideo.

CONNECTED FILES.

NUMBER AND YEAR.

No.

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

MINUTE.



10th May,

19 47

From Supervisor E & T Dept.,

To Hon Colonial Secretary,

Stanley.

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

newsp.

I have to report that for some time now this Department has been trying to get Diesel Oil from Montevideo through the Falkland Islands Company. On each of four occasions we have asked the Company to order Diesel Oil and each time the agents in Montevideo have sent Gas Oil.

The Falkland Is Co have specially telegraphed to Maclean and Stapleton asking that Diesel be sent but it appears that the agent in Montevideo is not interested and as a result we must take what they send because our own drums are being used.

We pay a handsome price as commission to Macleans and I would be grateful if the question of the supply of Diesel Oil can be taken up through the British Minister in Montevideo because to apply to the present agent is just a waste of time.

A. Mercer

Supervisor E & T Dept.

E.H. 0131 office

Put up in pp very Agency house

with the cases of household utensils

45 in 0488

e.g. G.H. fine: 0131 As. Dept. sleep

165 in 2277/36

lauri equipment etc.

SEE 6.

Ade
10.5

See 9

2183

12th May,

47.

Sir,

L I am directed by the Governor to inform you that the Supervisor, Electrical and Telegraphs Department reports:-

"I have to report that for some time now this Department has been trying to get Diesel Oil from Montevideo through the Falkland Islands Company. On each of four occasions we have asked the Company to order Diesel Oil and each time the agents in Montevideo have sent gas oil.

"The Falkland Islands Company have specially telegraphed to Maclean and Stapledon asking that Diesel be sent but it appears that the agent in Montevideo is not interested and as a result we must take what they send because our own drums are being used."

2. I am to ask you to be good enough to furnish me with your observations in this connexion.

I am,
Sir,
Your obedient servant,

(Sgd.) A. B. MATTHEWS

Colonial secretary.

Reply at 4

BL 16/5 98/15

The Manager,
The Falkland Islands Company Limited,
STANLEY.

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The Falkland Islands Company, Limited.

(INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER 1851).

REGISTERED 1902.

AGENTS FOR LLOYDS.

TELEGRAMS "FLEETWING PORTSTANLEY" & RADIO.

Recd. 14/5/47

Stanley

14th May, 1947.

Sir,

3 I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your letter No. 0183 dated the 12th instant, quoting a report from the Supervisor, Electrical and Telegraph Department regarding shipments of Gas Oil in place of Diesel Oil from Montevideo.

2 The following are extracts from Stores Letters to Messrs Maclean and Stapledon:-

22nd January, 1947.

49 x 44 gallon drums } Marked ET to be filled with light Diesel Oil.
12 x 80 " " }
16 steel barrels }
X

15th February, 1947.

8 x 80 gallon drums }
23 x 40 " " } Marked ET to be filled with Light Diesel Oil.
35 steel barrels }
X

22nd March, 1947.

Diesel Oil. Please ensure that Light Diesel Oil not Gas Oil is shipped in drums marked ET.

3 On the 12th February a telegram had also been sent as follows:-
"Ensure Diesel Oil shipped in drums marked ET by next voyage".

4 No explanation has yet been received stating why Gas Oil is being repeatedly shipped. It is surmised that Light Diesel and Gas Oil may be synonymous.

5 A telegram has been sent to Messrs Maclean and Stapledon in the following terms:-

"Referring to our letters dated 22nd January, 15th February, our telegram of 12th February and our letter dated 22nd March reiterating our request that Light Diesel as ordered should be shipped not repeat 'nd Gas Oil. Telegraph explanation failure to comply".

I am, Sir,
Your obedient servant,

John Robert
Manager.

See 861.

The Honourable,
The Colonial Secretary,
STANLEY.

SLT.

4 f.y.o. 1/1

2. x is it?"

Has C5

2 X No.

Abe
15.5

In any last year we asked for light Diesel oil and received light Diesel oil which is much heavier than

5 gas oil. I know that gas oil is used in light diesel engines but a reply to the last para of 4 is awaited

AM. SE.T
15/5/47

SE.T

Notes. Re. let me know the upshot when we act on 1 §³.

AB
16/5

Am 25.

The F.I.C. will advise us the result of their test in due course. Meanwhile you may want this file in connection with your remarks on bottom of 1? AM. SE.T 19.5.47

*for 25/5/47
con AB*

No.

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



0183
MINUTE.

6.

19 47

29th May,

To Hon Colonial Secretary,

Stanley

From Supervisor E & T Dept,

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

regd.

1. Further to my Minute of 10th May, 1947., on the subject of diesel oil, I have to report that through the agents in Montevideo supplying us with Gas Oil instead of Diesel oil, we are now obliged to purchase Admiralty Boiler Fuel Oil to mix with Gas Oil in order to be able to use our heavy machines.

To get the fuel oil I applied to the Public Works and the work was started, but it took a whole day to rig the pump and fill eight drums, and the day finished with the pump broken.

A second pump was fitted up and yesterday five men managed to fill three drums only and came ashore with the second pump broken.

The PWD scow which is used to collect the oil is in such a bad condition that the man from this department, G. Osborne had to spend the whole time baling water out of the scow to keep it afloat long enough to get the oil ashore. This is not satisfactory, and in view of the excessive time taken by getting ordinary labour, where I am sorry to say the 'Fair days work for the fair days pay" theory is not practiced, I seek your approval for our own departmental staff to get the oil at a fixed rate per drum of 5/-.

The matter is very urgent.

A. Mercer

Supervisor E & T Dept.

29th May 1947

*Copy to 0279
P.W.D. Comptants*

4 Supervisor E & T Dept.

APPS ABLE 29/5

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~~ST. & T.~~

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To note appl. of You

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2/6.

Hon CS.

Thank you. The oil has been obtained
in men filled 20 drums and landed same in
one day.

~~Att.~~ ST. & T.
5/6/47

A & B extracted to 0279
(P.W.D. Complaints)

~~Ans.~~

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④ Ch. Storerkeeper informs that Macstaple have
replied in the sense that we are not programme
for diesel oil & therefore none was available - but
pl. see (195) & x on (202) in 135/41 attached.

B
2/6.

135/41
2/6.

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Ans

Re. part the position to F.I.C. w.r.t.
 (95) and (202): enquire when - reply to
 #4 may be expected: say that x
 or 4 is not the case.

2. Let me see draft. Then 6 is
 to go to E.E. for report.

AB
9/6

Ans

Draft a front cover, P.

AB
9/6.

0183

b

10th June, 1947.

Sir,

4 I am directed by the Governor to refer to your letter of the 14th of May, 1947, regarding diesel oil and to enquire whether a reply has been received to the telegram you addressed to Messrs. Maclean and Stapledon. Serious inconvenience and expense have been caused.

2. I am to observe that Government submitted their annual requirements of diesel oil as distinct from gas oil to the Chief Storekeeper on the 14th of October, 1946, for transmission to Messrs. Shell-Hex. Light diesel and gas oil are not synonymous, and it is not understood why Messrs. Maclean and Stapledon continue to send gas oil when requested to do otherwise.

I am,
 Sir,
 Your obedient servant,

Sgd/A. B. MATHEWS

Colonial Secretary.

The Manager,
 Falkland Islands Company Limited,
 Stanley.

VP.

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Copy

Copy filed on 0014. Supplies
of Petrol, Paraffin, etc.

9.
Electrical & Telegraphs Dept.,
Stanley.
9th June, 1947.

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Dear Sir,

I would be grateful if you will telegraph today to Macleans Montevideo, asking them to fill as many of the 176 drums landed from the Trepassey, as are considered by Shell-Mex to be fit to carry oil, with Diesel Fuel Oil having a density of 0.8996 to 0.9., and to ship by this voyage of the Fitzroy.

I am

Sir,

Your obedient servant

A. Neeson
Supervisor E & T Dept.

The Chief Storekeeper,
The Falkland Islands Co Ltd,

Stanley

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E.E.
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a min & variance with B in 7. above

A. Bla
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B above reply at 3 in 0279 (P.W.D complaints)

Restracted to 0279
(P.W.D complaints)

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The Falkland Islands Company, Limited.

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REGISTERED 1902.

AGENTS FOR LLOYDS.

TELEGRAMS "FLEETWING PORTSTANLEY" VIA RADIO.

Entered in Register



Stanley

11th June, 1947.

Sir,

8/6 100
I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your letter No. 0183 dated the 10th instant.

Messrs Maclean and Stapledon replied to our telegram of the 14th May as follows:-

"Failure to comply due to reasons mentioned in our letters 25th May and 22nd August 1942 and at our request towards the end of each year since 1942 for your requirements for the coming year and also only Diesel stored in Montevideo is that of the density mentioned in our telegram of the 24th instant stop Please forward specification of light Diesel Oil required and will endeavour make arrangements for shipping same with Shell Mex" ends.

The letters referred to deal with Colony's various requirements of oils. Crude oil has to be imported into Uruguay in bond and refined in bond especially for transhipment to the Falkland Islands, the export of oils being prohibited from Uruguay.

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We enclose copy of the Chief Storekeeper's letter of the 5th October, 1946 to Messrs Maclean and Stapledon detailing requirements to the end of 1946 and for the year 1947.

As will be seen 10,000 gallons of Light Diesel oil was specified for in addition to 10,000 gallons of Gas oil for 1947.

Their telegram quoted above does not explain failure to notify us of any reason why Gas Oil was repeatedly being sent.

X
We are writing for further explanation.

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At the request of the Supervisor Electrical and Telegraph Department, we have telegraphed for up to 176 drums to be filled with Diesel of the specified gravity of 89 to 91, 90 to 91 being the density of ordinary Diesel Oil.

Handwritten: I am, Sir,
Your obedient servant,

John Robins
Manager.

The Honourable,
The Colonial Secretary,
STANLEY.

11/6

By fax

*7/7 Abe
16/6*

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5th October, 1946.

Messrs Maclean & Stapledon, S.A.
Montevideo.

Dear Sirs,

FUEL OILS

With reference your letter of 16th September regarding the above we beg to amend our requirements for the remainder of 1946 and our estimated requirements for 1947 as follows:-

Balance required for 1946.

	<u>Petrol.</u>	<u>Paraffin.</u>	<u>Gas Oil</u>	<u>Light Diesel Oil</u>
FIC	12,000 gls.	4,500 gls.	NIL	NIL
Government.	3,420 gls.	NIL	3,000 gls.	3,000 gls.
Navy	2,500 gls.	NIL	13,000 gls.	NIL

Estimated requirements for 1947

	<u>Petrol.</u>	<u>Paraffin.</u>	<u>Gas Oil</u>	<u>Light Diesel Oil.</u>
FIC	25,000 gls.	12,000 gls.	10,000 gls.	NIL
Government	12,000 gls.	NIL	10,000 gls.	10,000 gls.
Navy	9,000 gls.	400 gls.	50,000 gls.	NIL

In addition to the above the Navy will require 750 gallons Lubricating Oil for the balance of this year and 3,000 gallons during 1947.

The Naval Authorities also say that their 1947 estimate may have to be amended later as, owing to new machinery being installed during the year, it is very difficult to estimate their requirements.

Yours faithfully,

Chief Storekeeper.

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12/17 20/17 24/17 35/17

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Abel
Ch. Stockport D. I. Co. informs
that diesel oil is now being supplied pl

Abel
31.7.

B

SET

Am I m satisfied?

Abel
1.8

C

Hon cs.

Diesel oil was supplied last voyage of
Fitroy and although this oil seemed Lighter
in density instead of heavier, which we
expected, the machinery ran satisfactorily.

What I want is the specification which will
include the Specific Gravity, so that future
orders can be quoted in terms understood by
all parties concerned.

2. I am satisfied with the oil supplied
by last Fitroy.

Abel SET
1/8/47.

D

SET

R. ask F.I.C to supply or sell it.

Hon cs

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This will be done.

Abel SET 1/8/47

Abel
1.8

Abel
1.8

No.

It is requested
that, in any refer-
ence to this memo-
randum the above
number and the
date may be quoted.



MEMORANDUM.

13

5th July

19 49

From, Officer in Charge,
E & T Dept.

To. The Hon Colonial Secretary,
STANLEY.

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

SUBJECT :- Gas Oil.

I have to request that a telegram be sent to McLean & Stapledon, Montevideo, for gas oil.

We are sending 150 empty drums by this next trip of the Fitzroy, and in order to have enough to keep going, it will be necessary to ask McLean and Stapledon to have 75 drums ready for the return of the Fitzroy, obtaining drums in Montevideo before they receive our empty ones. The boat may not be there long enough to have our own filled and returned by the same trip.

Unfortunately there are restrictions on exporting drums from Uruguay at present, so it will be necessary to inform ~~them~~ ^{them} that our 150 empty drums will arrive by the same trip.

The F I C have agreed to take the empties.

H. E. Slade
O. I. C.

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GOVERNMENT TELEGRAPH SERVICE.

FALKLAND ISLANDS AND DEPENDENCIES.

SENT.

Number	Office of Origin	Words	Handed in at	Date
				6. 7. 49.

To

MACSTAPLE MONTEVIDEO.

Grateful you place order for one hundred and fifty drums gas oil stop
One hundred and fifty empty drums being shipped to you this Fitzroy
but as unlikely vessel will remain Montevideo long enough for these
to be filled grateful you endeavour obtain release of sufficient number
from authorities to allow seventy five drums to be shipped coming voyage
as stock of gas oil very low stop Remainder could then be shipped
by later voyage.

Reply at 15

COLONIAL SECRETARY.

Q/c. Co. 2.

To note 14 pt.

W.H. for C.S.
6/7/49

Don C.S.
Noted thank you
HES.

Time

8-11-49
PA 651817

DECODE.

No. 6.-

TELEGRAM.

From Messrs: MacLean & Stapledon, Montevideo.

The Colonial Secretary.

Despatched : July 11th 19 49 Time : 10.55.

Received : July 12th 19 49 Time : 09.30.

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Your telegram 7th. Please ship 150 empties without fail as same
were granted to change for another 150 now being filled.

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MACSTAPLE.

P/L.
LJH.

Off. S.Y.T.

~~Please arrange according to~~
 D. Jones
14.7.49

A.C.S.

The Sup. Power House has attended to the collecting
and delivery of the drums to the P.C.

HES.

17-7-41

MACLEAN & STAPLEDON S.A.

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SCOTT'S 10TH EDITION
BENTLEY'S

CASILLA DE CORREO 193

TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS
MACSTAPLE MONTEVIDEO
TELEPHONES: 86382
85042

MONTEVIDEO
(URUGUAY)

July 11th. 1949

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Sir:-

150 DRUMS GAS OIL

We have to acknowledge receipt of your radiogram dated the 7th instant, reading as follows:

"GRATEFUL YOU PLACE ORDER FOR ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY DRUMS GAS OIL STOP ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY EMPTY DRUMS BEING SHIPPED TO YOU THIS FITZROY BUT AS UNLIKELY VESSEL WILL REMAIN MONTEVIDEO LONG ENOUGH FOR THESE TO BE FILLED GRATEFUL YOU ENDEAVOUR OB-TAIN RELEASE OF SUFFICIENT NUMBER FROM AUTHORITIES TO ALLOW SEVENTY FIVE DRUMS TO BE SHIPPED COMING VOYAGE AS STOCK OF GAS OIL VERY LOW STOP REMAINDER COULD THEN BE SHIPPED BY LATER VOYAGE"

contents of which merited our careful attention and in this respect immediately contacted Messrs. Shell-Mex. Also we applied to the corresponding authorities, and after some transactions were authorized to exchange the 150 empty drums arriving by the next "Fitzroy" for another 150 drums which are now being filled by Shell-Mex.

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We therefore telegraphed you today as follows:

"YTEL 7TH RELEASE SHIP 150 EMPTIES WITHOUT FAIL AS SAME WERE GRANTED TO CHANGE FOR ANOTHER 150 NOW BEING FILLED"

The above operation has been made possible thanks to the good disposition shown by the local Authorities as well as the collaboration rendered by Messrs. Shell-Mex (Uruguay) Ltd., we trust these arrangements will meet with your requirements.



Yours faithfully,
MACLEAN & STAPLEDON, S. A.

Colonial Secretary
PORT STANLEY

J.M.D/vd.

E.E. to
R.M.

O/c. Ex. 3
2. y.o.p.

W.H. for C.S.
12/8/49

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MACLEAN & SONS LTD.

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GENERAL

Hon C.S.

We received the 150 drums of gas oil in good condition and are grateful to Messrs MacLean and Stapleton for their efforts in obtaining release of the drums.

We will endeavour to return the drums next trip of the Fitzroy.

HES

16-8-49

B.

Mr. Slade spoken. He will hold the drums until he requires more gas oil

W. J. Slade
17.8.49

P. J. M.
17.8.49

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MACLEAN & STAPLEDON S.A.

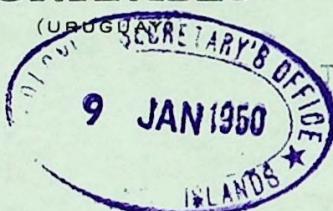
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MONTEVIDEO

TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS
MACSTAPLE MONTEVIDEO
TELEPHONES: 86382
85042



January 2nd. 1950

Sir:-

With reference to our letter dated the 7th July last, we now beg to enclose herewith two copies of accounts received from Messrs. Shell-Mex, in respect of the 150 drums shipped on that occasion.

You will note that they are charging the cost of the empties shipped and crediting with the money obtained from the sale of the 150 drums received from your good selves.

The difference between these two operations is represented by the condition of the empties shipped and received, which amount of £1.155.90 Urug. Ocy., is being debited in our account dated the 31/12/49.

Trusting that everything will be found in order, we beg to remain,

Yours faithfully,
MACLEAN & STAPLEDON, S. A.

E.E. Colonial Secretary
PORT STANLEY

Encl.
JBD/vD.

RINCON 438 - 3ER. PISO
TELEF. 8 51 01 - 8 51 04
DIRECCION TELEGRAFICA: "MEXPRODUX"

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Form. C. 4 B
10.000 - 4 - 947



PRODUCTOS
DE PETRÓLEO

SEÑOR ES RACLEAN & STAPLETON S. A.

Corrito 317

CIUDAD

NOTA DE DEE

21 de Diciembre

DE 19

N.º Re. 500

A SHELL - MEX URUGUAY LIMITED

DEE

FECHA		IMPORTE	
			\$ M/N.
Diciembre 1949	Venta de 150 tambores vacíos de 200 lts. de nuestra propiedad, embarcados en el mes de Julio de 1949, a \$ 12.00 c/u		\$ 1,800.00

SON: MIL OCHOCIENTOS PESOS M/N.

CONDICIONES DE PAGO NETO AL CONTADO

NOTA - ROGAMOS SE SIRVAN ABONAR ESTE IMPORTE CON CHEQUE A
NUESTRA ORDEN.

EXIJASE EL RECIBO EN EL FORMULARIO OFICIAL DE LA COMPAÑIA
QUIEN NO RECONOCERA NINGUN OTRO

PREPARADO POR

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"MEXPRODUX"
TEL. 8 51 01 AL 8 51 04

The Shell logo, featuring the word "SHELL" in a bold, sans-serif font inside a stylized sunburst or shell-shaped frame.

PRODUCTOS DE PETRÓLEO

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MONTEVIDEO,
RINCON 438 - 3ER. PISO

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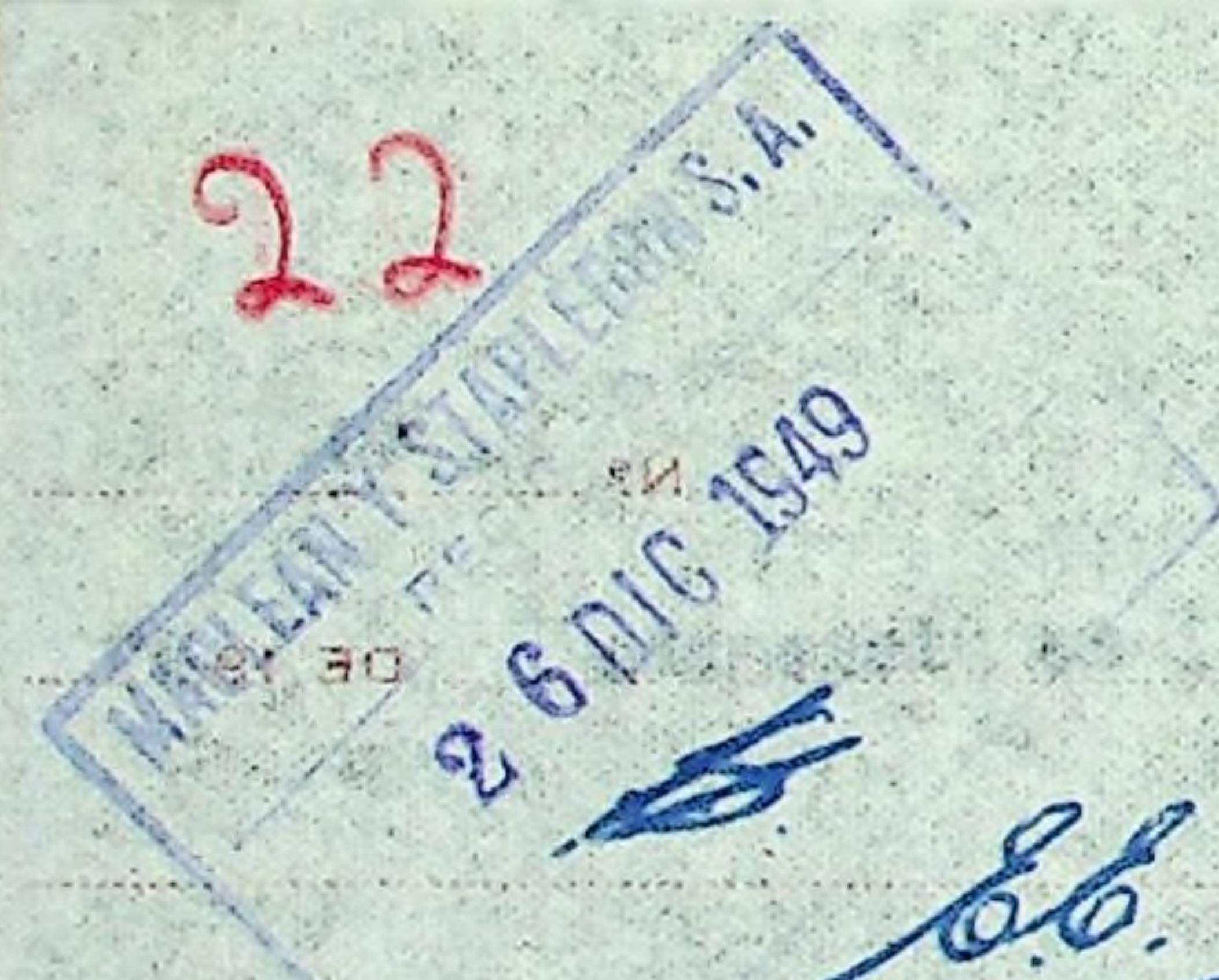
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20 MAR 1950

ISLANDS

March 2nd. 1950

Sir: -

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For your information and guidance we beg to enclose herewith copy of a letter received from Messrs. Shell-Mex Uruguay Limited, dated the 25th ultimo, relative to their new prices for products for shipment to your port, which you will find to be self explanatory.

Kindly acknowledge receipt of this letter and enclosure in due course and oblige.

Yours faithfully,
MACLEAN & STAPLEDON, S. A.

Colonial Secretary
PORT STANLEY

Encl.
JMD/vD.

21 MAR 1950

ACS.

Ackd. for T.E.E. f.

23 MAR 1950

Ackd. by I. A.
20/3/50
J.P.

COPY OF LETTER RECEIVED FROM MESSRS. SHELL-MEX URUGUAY LTD.

Montevideo, February 25th. 1950

Messrs. Maclean & Stapledon
Cerrito 317
City

20 MAR 1950

Dear Sirs: -

In confirmation of the telephonic advices given on 23rd inst. to your Sr. Dominguez, we append below our new prices for products for shipment to the Falkland Islands, according to our amended costs, which come into operation immediately:

	Per 1,000 Lbd.
Gasoline	\$ 22. 0. 9
Kerosine	\$ 20. 2. 9
Gas Oil	\$ 18. 4. 9

The above prices are for products placed in customers' privately owned drums, F.A.S. La Feja wharf, and do not include charges for cleaning of or repairs to drums or unloading and loading of the same, which will be invoiced, separately as heretofore. We are pleased to advise you that we shall continue to recognize a commission of 5% on the above prices for your good-selves, as formerly.

We further have to advise you that all supplies of products will in the future be invoiced by us for payment in sterling, which should be made by sight draft made out to the favour of Shell-Mex Uruguay Ltd. on a London bank for forwarding to this office for endorsement and onward transmission.

Yours faithfully,
Shell-Mex Uruguay Limited.

(signed) Acting Manager.

(cc. to Port Stanley Office)

"Weybridge"

Colonial Secretary, Port Stanley.)

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23-24 f.i.p

W. for B.S.
24/3/50.

H.C.S

noted by.

Biff. 27. 3. 50.

EE
Noted. Thank you
27/3/0

MACLEAN & STAPLEDON S.A.

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CASILLA DE CORREO 193

MONTEVIDEO
(URUGUAY)



25
May 6th. 1950

Sir:-

EMPTY DRUMS

From time to time we used to receive instructions from that Government with regard to empty drums arriving per one of the "Fitzroy" trips, to be returned by the same voyage.

The filling operation requires at least from 8 to 10 days and naturally it is rather difficult to comply with your wishes in this respect.

We would therefore suggest - if at all possible - that say about 50 to 100 empties be on hand here in Montevideo, thus enabling us to arrange satisfactorily for any special requirement from that Government.

Awaiting your comments on the subject, we remain,

Yours faithfully,
MACLEAN & STAPLEDON, S. A.

Colonial Secretary
PORT STANLEY

JMD/vD.

66a
J.C.
123 MAY 1950
Clemente

S/F.
Mr. Smith (F.I.G.A.S.) Murch
E.C.

G. y. i. pl.
J. C. Gaskins
29. 5. 50.

3/5/50