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UNION OF SOUTH AFRICA

DEPARTEMENT VAN BUITELANDSE SAKKE
DEPARTMENT OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS.

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SAR.467/468/1

3rd January, 1959.

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Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

E. N. ALLAN

ACTING HIGH COMMISSIONER

THE SECRETARY FOR EXTERNAL AFFAIRS,
DEPARTMENT OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS,
UNION BUILDINGS,
PRETORIA.

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DEPT. OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS DEPT. VAN BUITENLANDSE SAKE	OFFICE OF THE HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR THE UNITED KINGDOM, PRETORIA.
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J. Allan

for ACTING HIGH COMMISSIONER

To Transport pro, with a request for comment in the light of their previous undertaking not to be too careless - as was to that effect, I have copied. JJA 5/1

THE SECRETARY FOR EXTERNAL AFFAIRS,
DEPARTMENT OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS,
UNION BUILDINGS,
PRETORIA.

Kila

Note: This file has now been missing since 8/12. Reporting as searching. Feb. 15/1

DMN

102/2/6.

Mr. B...
/ Mr. B...

Mej. Peens het die hele Dept deurgegaan
maar kan gladnie 102/2/6 opspoor nie.

ES

15/1

Mr. Killen,

What now?

Feb

Mr. B...
/ Mr. B...

This is quite an important
matter, and we shall just have
to find the file. Are you sure
it is not with General Percin,
who might be dealing with
a voyage to Tristan da Cunha
on it?

See leaf reversing: 1.1.5
19/1.

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PRETORIA.

29. 1. 1959

Your Excellency,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter SAR. 467/468/1 of the 3rd January, 1959, about the introduction of livestock on Gough Island, and to inform you that the matter is being investigated. A further communication will be addressed to you in due course.

I have the honour to be,
Your Excellency's obedient Servant,

A. G. DUNN

SECRETARY FOR EXTERNAL AFFAIRS.

His Excellency Sir John Maud, G.C.B., C.B.E.,
High Commissioner for the United Kingdom,
CAPE TOWN.

JCB/ES

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PRETORIA.

29. 1. 1959

THE SECRETARY FOR TRANSPORT.

Livestock on Gough Island.

With reference to your minute A. 15/114 of the 4th September, 1958, about the introduction of livestock on Gough Island, I attach a copy of a letter No. SAR. 467/468/1 dated the 3rd January, 1959, received from the Acting High Commissioner for the United Kingdom in Pretoria.

Your early comments on the abovementioned matter would be appreciated.

A. G. DUNN

SECRETARY FOR EXTERNAL AFFAIRS.

JCB/ES

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 12 FEB 1959
 DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORT



UNION OF SOUTH AFRICA

Private Bag 193 — Telegraphic Address: "Transport" — Telephone: 3-3081 or 3-3641 Ext. 47.

TRANSPORT BUILDING — FOUNTAIN LANE — PRETORIA

In reply please quote No. WB.62/1.

Enquiries: Mr. van Rensburg.

The Secretary for External Affairs, 31. 2. 1959
 P R E T O R I A.

LIVESTOCK ON GOUGH ISLAND.

1. Your minute No.10/2/2/6 of 29 January 1959, refers.
2. As you are aware, the very small number of livestock on Gough Island is there for the sole purpose of providing fresh food for the personnel stationed on the island. No further livestock have been sent to the island.
3. Before any livestock are again introduced to the island, the requirement that the permission of the Administrator of Tristan da Cunha must first be sought, will be complied with.
4. I wish to reiterate the assurance conveyed to you in my minute of the 2nd April, 1958, that all livestock will be removed when the island is vacated.

H.P. Smith
 L. SECRETARY FOR TRANSPORT.

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102/2/6.

PRETORIA.

19. 2. 1959

Your Excellency,

I have the honour to refer again to your letter SAR. 467/468/1 of the 3rd January, 1959, about the introduction of livestock on Gough Island, and to inform you that no further livestock has been sent to the Island. Before any livestock is again introduced, the requirement that prior permission from the Administrator of Tristan da Cunha be obtained, will be complied with.

I would take this opportunity of reiterating the assurance that all livestock will be removed when the Island is vacated.

I have the honour to be,

Your Excellency's obedient Servant,

J. S. F. Botha

SECRETARY FOR EXTERNAL AFFAIRS.

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CAPE TOWN.

JCB/WML.

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SAR.467/468/1.

24th February, 1959.

Sir,

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Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

D. N. ALLAN

f: HIGH COMMISSIONER.

THE SECRETARY FOR EXTERNAL AFFAIRS,
DEPARTMENT OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS,
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PRETORIA.

EH.

SAR.467/468/1.

24th February, 1959.

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102/2/6.

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6.6-6/3

*To Pretoria
AB ad 2*

*File.
Feb 27/3.*

/ F

EH.

102/2/6-
T.V. 1/33.

DEPARTEMENT VAN VERVOER.



DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORT.

UNIE VAN SUID-AFRIKA—UNION OF SOUTH AFRICA.

Telegrafiese /
Telegraphic Ad-
dress: } "TRANSPORT" DEPT. OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

Navrae.
Enquiries. } Mnr. P. de Beer

Telefoon
Telephone } 3-3081 Uitr.
Ext. } 46

Verwysings
Reference No. } WB.8/4

12 AUG 1959

Alle korrespondensie moet gerig word aan:
All correspondence to be addressed to:

SEKRETARIS VAN VERVOER, / SECRETARY FOR TRANSPORT,
PRIVAATSAK, / PRIVATE BAG, 193.
VERVOERGEBOU, / TRANSPORT BUILDING,
FOUNTAINLAAN, / FOUNTAIN LANE.
PRETORIA.

THE SECRETARY FOR EXTERNAL AFFAIRS.

11. 8. 1959

GOUGH ISLAND: RENEWAL OF LICENCE FOR OPERATION OF WIRELESS STATION ZOE33:

1. It has come to my notice that the licence granted to this Department for the operation of wireless station ZOE33 on Gough Island has not been renewed after 31 December 1958.
2. It will therefore be appreciated if you will request the Administrator, Tristan da Cunha, to renew the licence for a further period of one year with effect from that date.
3. Please forward the original copy of the licence to this office and the duplicate to the Officer in Charge, Weather Station, Gough Island.

H. S. S. S.
1 SECRETARY FOR TRANSPORT.

W. J. S.
W. J. S.

EH.

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het onderneem om die saak verder te voer
soos opdaem in die opaal met Triestam da Cebua
(leed 74/41) d.w.s. dous H.K. houlam.

Jeb.

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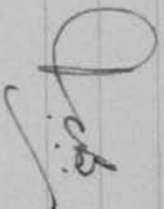
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Mr. Killen,

Ik het voorgesloten Mr. de Bess van Larren ghehoort v.v.m. die herminning van RadioLinnia ZOE 53 op Spingw Eilands. My hat drie vrag ghehoort nu ik kan alle dat byg bygheten ald mi met west die procedure is nu. Ik het hem gheza hat die accis in die vertale ghehoort is en byg het gheantwoord: "Ik wil mi answer mi, want ik die die radio-operateur op Spingw eiland het sommet alle die met met die Schmitz-station ghehoort."

Ik het hem ook gheza warom dat met die Linnia in den jaer (59/59) te kenne toe vertalen byg, "indien ikke alhoort geant kan die mitien mi 5 jaer kann west 9 00."

My ook in elk geval west by die's raadpleging en my den teingstakel en vertere byg op die zaak te metp.



12/8/59

118.30 N.M.

Nota:

Mr. de Bess hat my teingstakel en megeant dat die Linnia in 1956 uitgeroed is (Gratis a.g.v. I.G.T.) en dat nu in die eerste heb herminning daerom gheza west. (I.G.T. hat sijnk '58 den sijnke ghehoop).

Wat punt no 2 hetef, het byg melding van die jist gheant dat die Kabiniet met west beurt i.v.m. Spingw eiland en daer en kann in

Bess

102/2/6.

PRETORIA.

20 AUG 1959

The High Commissioner for the Union of South Africa,
LONDON.

Gough Island: Wireless Station ZOE.33.

At the beginning of the International Geophysical Year, the Administrator of Tristan da Cunha was good enough to grant a gratis licence to the Department of Transport for the operation, in connection with its weather station, of wireless station ZOE.33 on Gough Island for the duration of the I.G.Y.

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It would be appreciated if you would approach the appropriate British authorities for the renewal of the licence for a further period of one year from 31st December, 1958. Please send the original copy of the licence to the Department.

J.S.F. BOTHA

SECRETARY FOR EXTERNAL AFFAIRS.

THE SECRETARY FOR TRANSPORT.

For your information, with reference to your minute W.B.8/4 of the 11th August, 1959, and a subsequent telephone conversation between Mr. P. de Beer and Mr. Bosch.

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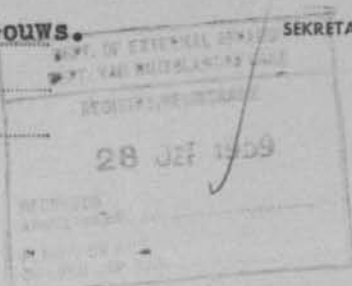
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DEPARTEMENT VAN VERVOER



DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORT.

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Telegrafiese Adres: | "TRANSPORT"
Telegraphic Address: |Navrae. | **Mr. A. Gouws.**
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FOUNTAINLAAN, / FOUNTAIN LANE,
PRETORIA.

27. 10. 1959

DIE SEKRETARIS VAN BUITELANDSE SAKE.

VOORTSETTING VAN WEERSTASIE TE GOUGHEILAND.

1. Die volgende beslissing in verband met die voortsetting van weerkundige bedrywighede te Gough-eiland is onlangs deur die Kabinet geneem :-

„Dat verkenning van Bouvet plaasvind. Voordat besluit word om Bouvet-stasie op te rig, moet saak met beraming van koste weer voor Kabinet gelê word want dan sal besluit word of beide Gough en Bouvet aangehou moet word.“.

2. Omdat die verkenning van Bouvet nie voor Februarie 1960 kan plaasvind nie, en 'n finale beslissing in verband met die voortbestaan van Gougheiland dus nie voor einde 1960 geneem sal kan word nie, sal dit waardeer word indien u asb. die Britse Regering om goedkeuring sal nader vir die voortsetting van die stasie tot Maart/April 1961.

H.P. Smith
7, SEKRETARIS VAN VERVOER.

102/2/6

PRETORIA.

- 5.11. 1959

The High Commissioner for the Union of South Africa,
LONDON.

Gough Island: Wireless Station ZOE.33.

It would be appreciated if you would let me know whether you have succeeded in obtaining the renewed licence for the operation of Wireless Station ZOE.33 on Gough Island, as requested in my minute 102/2/6 of the 20th August, 1959.

P. H. Philip

SECRETARY FOR EXTERNAL AFFAIRS.

JCB/ES

Recd 25/11
JCB
X

102/2/6

Reference P.S. 37/3

Telephone: TEHALL 4488.



Telegraphic Address:— WACT. OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
"OPPOSITELY, LESQUARE, LONDON."

OFFICE OF THE HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR THE
UNION OF SOUTH AFRICA,
Trafalgar Square,
LONDON, W.C.2.

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10th November, 1959.

THE SECRETARY FOR EXTERNAL AFFAIRS.

The High Commissioner for the Union of South Africa,
LONDON.

Gough Island : Wireless Station ZOE.33

Please refer to your minute 102/2/6 of the
5th November, 1959.

The United Kingdom authorities have informed
us that our request for the renewal of the licence of
wireless station ZOE.33 on Gough Island was forwarded to
the Administrator of Tristan da Cunha during September, 1959.
They expect that a reply will now not be long delayed.

W. Wood
Minister.

Passed to.....

CONSIDERATION
for INFORMATION
DISPOSAL

Date.....

27/11/59

initials.....

J.B.

*Mr. Wood 237/11.
copy to Mr. P. de Beer
TRANSPORT.*

file.

*Transport. (for attention Mr
P. de Beer)*

102/2/6

Reference P.S. 37/3

Telephone: WHITEHALL 4488.
Telegraphic Address: "OPPOSITELY, LESQUARE, LONDON."



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LONDON, W.C.2.

AIRMAIL
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18th November, 1959.

THE SECRETARY FOR EXTERNAL AFFAIRS.

Gough Island : Wireless Station
ZOE.33

With reference to your minute 102/2/6 of the 20th August, 1959, I enclose herewith a wireless licence for 1959 in respect of wireless station ZOE.33 on Gough Island.

W. Webb
Minister.

*Original to Japs
Feb
The. Bosch Feb. 25/59
Please pass onwards
Feb*

Passed to *Joan poA. (Attention Mr. de Beer)*
for ~~DISPOSAL~~
DISPOSAL
Date *25/11/59* initials *Jeb*

"With reference to your minute NB. 5/4 of the 11th August, 1959. A duplicate of the licence was not enclosed."

102/2/6.

CONFIDENTIAL.

PRETORIA.

3.12.1959

The High Commissioner for the Union of South Africa,
LONDON.

Gough Island: Continuation of
Weather Station.

With reference to your minute P.S.37/3 of the 29th October, 1958, I have to inform you that the Union authorities are desirous of maintaining their weather station on Gough Island for a further period beyond March/April 1960. It would be appreciated if you could again approach the United Kingdom authorities for permission for the further retention of the existing weather station on Gough Island until March/April 1961.

For your information the continuation of the weather station on Gough Island is closely linked with the question of establishing a weather station on Bouvet Island. No decision on this latter question can be taken until a further reconnaissance of Bouvet Island has been carried out, probably in January or February, 1960. Thereafter the whole position will be considered. In the meantime it is desired to keep the weather station on Gough Island in operation.

J. S. F. BOTHA
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SECRETARY FOR EXTERNAL AFFAIRS.

CONFIDENTIAL.

THE SECRETARY FOR TRANSPORT.

For your information, with reference to your minute W.B. 62/1 of the 27th October, 1959.

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SECRETARY FOR EXTERNAL AFFAIRS.

PRK/PHP/TLC.

OFFICE OF THE HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR THE
UNION OF SOUTH AFRICA.

Trafalgar Square,

LONDON.

CONFIDENTIAL.

15th January, 1960.

THE SECRETARY FOR EXTERNAL AFFAIRS.

Gough Island : Continuation of Weather
Station.

Please refer to your minute 102/2/6 of the 3rd December, 1959. The United Kingdom authorities have replied as follows to our approach in this connection:-

".... the United Kingdom Government have no objection to the Union Government continuing the operation of their weather station on Gough Island for a further year until March or April, 1961.

2. I am, however, to invite attention to the requirement mentioned in the letter from this Office of the 27th October, 1958, (my minute P.S. 37/3 of the 29th October, 1958,) that no livestock should be imported into Gough Island without first obtaining the consent of the Administrator of Tristan da Cunha, and to request that this requirement may continue to be strictly observed."

(SGD) I.F.A. DE VILLIEPS.

MINISTER. F

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to Transport

IF Awaiting
Minister.

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PRK/PHP/TLC.

102/2/6.

PRETORIA.

25 JAN 1960

THE SECRETARY FOR TRANSPORT.

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P. H. Philip

SECRETARY FOR EXTERNAL AFFAIRS.

KHP/LM

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THE SECRETARY FOR EXTERNAL AFFAIRS.

GOUGH ISLAND: LIVESTOCK.

1. Your minute No. 102/2/6 of 25 January 1960 and enclosure, refer.
2. It is desired to ship 7 sheep and 14 hens to Gough Island by the relief ship which is expected to sail for the Island about mid March 1960.
3. The livestock will be sent for the sole purpose of providing fresh food for the personnel, and the assurance is given that all livestock will be removed when the Island is vacated.
4. I shall be pleased if you will seek permission from the Administrator of Tristan da Cunha for the importation of the livestock, as required by Tristan By-law No.6 of 1953, to enable the sheep and fowls to be introduced to the Island.

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SECRETARY FOR TRANSPORT.

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THE SECRETARY FOR TRANSPORT.

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8 FEB 1960

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THE SECRETARY FOR EXTERNAL AFFAIRS.

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Your Excellency's obedient Servant,

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J. G. Stewart.

SECRETARY FOR EXTERNAL AFFAIRS.

His Excellency Sir John Maud, G.C.B., C.B.E.,
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CAPE TOWN.

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THE SECRETARY FOR TRANSPORT.

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SECRETARY FOR EXTERNAL AFFAIRS.
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Sir,

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for the P. B. LEWIS
HIGH COMMISSIONER

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~~Boyd.~~
This fits with your theory. The sheep want
the goats to themselves and are eliminating
of competition from the sheep.

Mrs. Pretorius

Stel a.u.b. vir Vervoer in kennis.

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PRETORIA.

DIE SEKRETARIS VAN VERVOER.

29 FEB 1960

Gough Eiland: Lewende Hawe.

Met verwysing na u diensbrief W.B.62/2 van 2 Februarie 1960 in verband met die voorgestelde invoer van 7 skape en 14 henne na Gough Eiland, moet ek u meedeel dat die nodige toestemming van die Administrateur van Tristan de Cunha verkry is, mits die skape gekastreerde ramme ("castrated males") is.

THE SECRETARY OF DEFENCE, 1959-60.
DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE, PRETORIA.
MILITARY SECRETARIAT,
PRETORIA.

P. H. Philip

SEKRETARIS VAN BUITELANDSE SAKE.

KP/CS.

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LOC 319
SHACKLETON ONE.

CAPE TOWN, MONDAY SAPA.

T ROYAL RESEARCH SHIP, SHACKLETON, RETURNED TO
TABLE BAY HARBOUR TODAY AFTER A QUICK RELIEF TRIP TO MARION
ISLAND. IT WS HER MAIDEN VOYAGE UNDER CHARTER TO T DEPARTMT
O TRANSPORT.

SHE IS DUE TO SAIL AGN TOMW AFTN ON HER SECOND RELIEF
TRIP, THIS TIME TO TRISTAN DAN CUNHA AND GOUGH
ISLAND, WHR T UNION GOVT ALSO HS WEATHER STATIONS.
HOK 14.3.60 1538 +

LOC 324
SHACKLETON TWO LAST (CAPE TOWN).

T SHACKLETONS MASTER (CAPT D H TURNBULL)

WHO WS FORMERLY CHIEF OFFICER O T RRS JOHN
BISCOE, SD COLON +IT WS A GOOD TRIP AND T WEATHER
HELPED US ALL T WAY.

+WE ARRIVED TR ON SUNDAY, MARCH6, AND MANAGED
TO GET T RELIEF PARTY, THR BAGGAGE AND T PERISHABLES
ASHORE IN THREE TRIPS BEFORE T WEATHER CLOSED IN.

+T WEATHER WS FINE ON T FOLLOGW TWO DAYS AND WE GOT ALL
SUPPLIES ASHORE+.

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(d) The South African programme, which has been planned in case the Union should participate in the international Indian Ocean Expedition in 1962/63, envisages a request to the United Kingdom for the British research ship, "Discovery", to carry out current measurements in the Mocambique Channel on behalf of the Union. We would expect to receive this service free of charge, but could hardly do so if the Union is to levy service charges on the United Kingdom, as would have been implied if the clause in question had been inserted in our letter to the High Commissioner.

(e) In the field of scientific co-operation generally, the Union is unable to assume its fair share of expenses, since for various reasons it cannot offer venues in South Africa for more than a very limited number of international conferences, and therefore contributes less than it would normally do to the costs of those conferences. To compensate in some small measure for this shortfall, we have taken such opportunities as are available to render services in this field free of charge to other Governments.

(f) In any case we understand that, while the transport of the Administrator and the Agricultural Officer could involve additional expenditure (e.g. in case of bad weather) it is much more likely that no extra expenses would in fact be incurred.

It is conceded that not all the points mentioned above are exact parallels with the case in question, but they all fall within the wider field of scientific co-operation and, as you will readily appreciate, must be regarded in that light; otherwise the Union's attitudes and procedures are liable to be inconsistent. This is a danger which it is this Department's specific responsibility to avoid in so far as external relations are concerned.

The foregoing paragraphs contain an amplification of the considerations which were presented to an officer of your Department and which persuaded him to concede the force of arguments advanced when he was consulted in the matter. We trust that, in these circumstances, you will agree with the action taken.

J. G. STEWART

SECRETARY FOR EXTERNAL AFFAIRS.

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31 MAR 1960

THE SECRETARY FOR TRANSPORT.

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Voyage of "Shackleton" to Tristan da Cunha and Gough Island.

In your minute No. W.B. 8/1 of the 15th March, you referred to the request which was received from the United Kingdom High Commissioner for transport facilities to Gough Island in the "Shackleton" on behalf of the Administrator of Tristan da Cunha and his Agricultural Officer, and you pointed out that, in conveying the permission requested to the High Commissioner, this Department had omitted the phrase which was included in your minute of the 4th March:

"mits die passate nie bykomende koste vir die Departement sal meebring nie".

This Department was reluctant to incorporate the phrase in question for a number of reasons, which might be summarised as follows:

- (a) Both Gough Island and Tristan da Cunha are British possessions on which the Union has been permitted to establish stations at little or no expense to the Union Government; we were accordingly hesitant to insist upon payment in this instance.
- (b) The Union and the United Kingdom were both signatories last December of the Antarctic Treaty which aims, inter alia, at co-operation and mutual assistance between states operating in the southern ocean. It was in the spirit of this Treaty that the Argentine icebreaker "General San Martin" broke a passage through the ice free of charge for the "Polarbjorn" carrying the South African Expedition to Antarctica, and it was felt that a similar spirit should influence our attitude to the British request for assistance in the case under review.
- (c) It is not customary for scientific ships such as the "Shackleton" to levy charges on services rendered to other nations, and for the Union to break this custom might create a precedent which could rebound to our disadvantage should we require similar

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DIE SEKRETARIS VAN BUITELANDSE SAKKE.

GOUGHEILAND : VOORTSETTING VAN WEERSTASIE : U 102/2/6
VAN 25 JANUARIE 1960.

1. Hierdie Departement kon tot dusver nog nie daarin slaag om 'n suksesvolle verkenning van Bouvet-eiland deur te voer nie en dit is dus noodsaaklik dat die weerstasie op Gougheiland intussen verder aangebou moet word.

2. Die geboue op Gougheiland wat tans deur die Suid-Afrikaanse personeel gebruik word, is reeds in 'n baie swak toestand en ook ontoereikend en dit word as noodsaaklik beskou dat 'n hele nuwe stasie opgerig word. Ten einde te verseker dat die uitgawe verbonde aan die oprigting van nuwe geboue en die installering van nuwe apparaat so aangewend word dat die Unie weerkundig gesproke die maksimum voordeel daaruit trek, is dit 'n vereiste dat die weerstasie vir 'n meerjarige tydperk van nog ten minste drie jaar in stand gehou word en ook dat 'n beter toegeruste stasie op 'n meer geskikte plek op die eiland opgerig word.

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F. W. LIEBENBERG

SEKRETARIS VAN VERVOER.

JBR/MC 29.8.1960.

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DEPARTEMENT VAN VERVOER. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORT.



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J. H. J. J. J.
SEKRETARIS VAN VERVOER.

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10/2/60

- (a) Extension of the Union's right to maintain a weather station on Gough Island for a further period of three years from April, 1961.
- (b) The erection by the Union of a new, fully-equipped weather station on the plateau on the South East side of the Island above "Transvaal Bay".
- (c) The construction in the bay by our authorities of a safe landing berth with facilities for unloading.

P. El. Philip

SECRETARY FOR EXTERNAL AFFAIRS.

THE SECRETARY FOR TRANSPORT.

Copy for your information please with reference to your minute W.B.62/1 of the 2nd September, 1960.

SECRETARY FOR EXTERNAL AFFAIRS.

The view of the Government is that it is not suitable for proposed future activities such as for example comprehensive survey and observations. At the present time the South East side of the Island above "Transvaal Bay", is, however, thought to be adequate for such purposes. It is regarded as necessary that permission also be sought for the right to erect the new better-equipped station at this more suitable site.

In the Memorandum and in view of the fact that the Cabinet has already agreed to the proposed continuation of the weather station it would be appreciated if you could not approach the British authorities to enquire whether they could be prepared to subsidise:-

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102/2/6.

PRETORIA.

23 SEP 1960

The High Commissioner for the Union of South Africa,
LONDON.

Gough Island: Continuation of Weather Station.

With reference to your minute P.S.37/3 of the 15th January, 1960, I have to inform you that the buildings on Gough Island presently occupied by the personnel of the South African weather station there are now not only in a very poor condition but also inadequate. It is accordingly regarded as essential that an entirely new station should be erected. If permission is granted to do so, the Union authorities would wish to abandon the existing station towards the end of 1961 and to occupy the proposed new station from about the beginning of 1962. To make this possible and to ensure that the Union may, meteorologically speaking, gain the maximum benefit from the expenditure involved in the erection of new buildings and the installation of new equipment it is necessary that application be made for our right to maintain a weather station on the Island to be extended for a further period of at least three years beyond the present authorised term which expires in March/April 1961.

The site of the present station is moreover not suitable for proposed future activities such as for example comprehensive upper air observations. As the plateau on the South East side of the Island, just above "Transvaal Bay", is, however, thought to be adequate for this purpose it is regarded as necessary that permission also be sought for the right to erect the new better-equipped station at this more suitable site.

In the circumstances and in view of the fact that the Cabinet has already agreed to the proposed continuation of the weather station it would be appreciated if you could now approach the British authorities to enquire whether they would be prepared to authorise:-

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102/2/6

PRIORITY CODE TELEGRAM.

FROM : Secretary for External Affairs, PRETORIA.

TO : S.A. High Commissioner, LONDON.

2nd November, 1960.

Gough Island Installation of Weather Station

No. 194.

My minute 102/2/6 of September 23rd regarding permission to erect buildings Gough Island.

Matter now most urgent since initial survey must be undertaken and only available transport leaves in week's time. Please inform by telegram whether authority obtained.

*Copy to Transport referring to my
conversations with Mr. Reitz. Dispatched*

PHP/MD.

3.11.60

*sl.
3/11.*

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102/2/6

DEPT. OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS DEPT. VAN SUIDELANDSE SAKE
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Received G.P.O.: 8/11/60 (11.16 pm)
 " Office: 9/11/60 (8.00 am)

PRIORITY CODE TELEGRAM.

FROM: S.A. High Commissioner, LONDON.
 TO: Secretary for External Affairs, PRETORIA.
 8/11/60 (6.30 pm)

No. 173

Your telegram No. 194.

Request re Gough Island still under consideration and although matter being expedited, United Kingdom Government regrets decision not expected (?) in time to enable the Union to make use of the transport presently available.

NVT

*Copies sent to Transport,
for attention w. Ritz.*

9.11.60

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3.6.60

102/2/6

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Handwritten notes:
A.S. G.
9.11.60
For you?
the Parker
10/11
07911/60.

NvT

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102/2/6

IMMEDIATE CODE TELEGRAM.

FROM : Secretary for External Affairs, PRETORIA.
TO : S.A. High Commissioner, LONDON.

19th November, 1960.

No. 213.

Your telegram No. 173.

Owing to inter-Departmental misunderstanding Messrs. McAll and Kotze of Public Works Department already en route to Gough in Marionette and will arrive November 26th. Please express regret to British authorities. Since these officials en route and in view of scarcity of transport facilities please ascertain whether any objection to their landing and carrying out preliminary survey without commitment or prejudice to final decision.

PHP/AN.

Copy sent to Mr. Reitz
of Transport on 21/11/60.
wm/

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102/2/6

Received G.P.O.: 22/11/60 (6.40 am)

" Office: 22/11/60 (8.00 am)

CODE TELEGRAM, LONDON

FROM: S.A. High Commissioner, LONDON.

TO: Secretary for External Affairs, PRETORIA.

21/11/60 (6.20 pm)

No. 188.

Your telegram No. 213.

Under the circumstances the United Kingdom authorities agree without prejudice to final decision.

/NVT

Copy sent to Mr. Rintz
on 22/11/60. He will
advise P.W.D.
wm!

Copy sent to Mr. Rintz
of Transport on 22/11/60
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/NVT

(1) H.S. 87
C.P.A.

22.11.60

[Handwritten signature]
in Philip
22/11

(2) re Palenstey?
For you?

Jay
22/11/60.

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102/2/6.

PRETORIA.

14 DEC 1960

The Acting High Commissioner for the Union of South Africa,
LONDON.

Gough Island : Wireless Licence.

Your minute P.S. 37/3 of the 18th November, 1959, and my evenly numbered minutes of the 20th August, 1959, and 23rd September, 1960, refer.

The Secretary for Transport has now informed the Department that if authority is granted for our meteorological station on Gough Island to be maintained for a further period it will also be necessary to approach the British authorities for a renewal of the licence to operate and maintain wireless station ZOE.33 on the island for a further twelve months as from 1st January, 1961. It would accordingly be appreciated if you could ask the British authorities to consider this matter in conjunction with the requests transmitted in my evenly numbered minute of the 23rd September, 1960.

I may add that since the beginning of the International Geophysical Year, free licences for the operation of this station have been issued by the Administrator of Tristan da Cunha, and it is presumed that no charge will be raised in respect of the desired renewal.

E. H. Philip

SECRETARY FOR EXTERNAL AFFAIRS.

THE SECRETARY FOR TRANSPORT.

For your information. Your minute A/11/45/4 of the 17th November, 1960, refers.

C. Pictorius

SECRETARY FOR EXTERNAL AFFAIRS.

KHP/PK

102/2/6.

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DRINGEND.

PRETORIA.

20 DEC 1960

Die Waarnemende Hoë Kommissaris vir die Unie
van Suid-Afrika,
LONDEN.

Gough Eiland: Voortsetting van Weerstasie.

Ek verwys na ons eneragenommerde skrywe van 23 September 1960, en na u telegram nr. 173 van 8 November 1960, in verband met die voortsetting van die Weerstasie op Gough eiland.

Die hele aangeleentheid het nou baie dringend geword, aangesien daar in die nabye toekoms 'n begin gemaak sal moet word met die oprigting van die nuwe geboue indien goedkeuring verleen word deur die Britse Regering. Dit sal op prys gestel word indien u iets kan doen om die beslissing te bespoedig.

Die redes vir die lang versuim is nie heeltemal duidelik nie en ons sal dit waardeer indien u nadere inligting in hierdie verband kan verstrek, veral of daar besondere probleme of moeilikhede betrokke is.

P. H. Philip

SEKRETARIS VAN BUITELANDSE SAKE.

DIE SEKRETARIS VAN VERVOER.

Ter inligting, met verwysing na die onlangse telefoongesprek tussen mnre. Reitz en Philip.

K. Pieterus

f SEKRETARIS VAN BUITELANDSE SAKE.

KHP/OS

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100/2/60

Reference P.S. 37/3

Telephone: WHITEHALL 4488.
Telegraphic Address:
"OPPOSITELY, LE QUARE, LONDON."



OFFICE OF THE HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR THE
UNION OF SOUTH AFRICA,
Trafalgar Square,
LONDON, W.C.2.

4 Jan 1961 AIRMAIL
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AIR MAIL
PLEASE DO NOT
OPEN UNLESS NECESSARY

29th December, 1960.

THE SECRETARY FOR EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

Gough Island

With reference to your minute no. 102/2/6 of 20th December, 1960, in connection with the South African weather station on Gough Island, I made further enquiries and was informed by the Commonwealth Relations Office that while they were considering our request, as contained in your minute of 23rd September, 1960, the representatives of the United Kingdom High Commissioner's office in Pretoria were summoned by the Department of Transport to discuss the future of the weather stations in Bechuanaland and on Tristan da Cunha.

It seemed that, at these discussions, the closing down of the weather station at Tristan was proposed by the South African authorities, the intention being to hand back the station to the United Kingdom authorities with possibly a few South Africans remaining attached to the station.

Our original proposals regarding Gough Island had therefore to be reviewed in the light of the discussions that took place in Pretoria and particularly as the proposed closing down of the Tristan da Cunha station, would cause certain complications for the Colonial Administration. Some delay was also caused by the fact that two channels, were used in raising these related matters with the United Kingdom authorities.

We were assured however that the United Kingdom authorities were considering the matter urgently and that we could expect a reply in the near future.

AA van der Merwe
Acting High Commissioner.

*fragment
Sent
Lo 6.1.60
Out 10/2/6 of 20.12.60
to boarder report*

K. Pieterus
SEKRETARIS VAN BUITELANDSE SAKE.

KHP/OS

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102/2/1

Reference P.S. 37/3



AIRMAIL

OFFICE OF THE HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR THE UNION OF SOUTH AFRICA, Trafalgar Square, LONDON, W.C.2.

16th January, 1961.

Telephone: WHIPSHALL 4499.
Telegraphic Address: "OPPOSITELY, LESQUARE, LONDON."
3 Jan 1961
Schedule

THE SECRETARY FOR EXTERNAL AFFAIRS.

Mr Philip
Presumably Transport
will approach us about this.
H/
30/11

Gough Island Weather Station.

With reference to the correspondence on the Gough Island weather station under your reference no. 102/2/6, I wish to inform you that the Commonwealth Relations Office has suggested to us informally that all further negotiations on the above matter be conducted in Pretoria. As you will recall from my letter of 29th December, 1960, Gough Island, as well as the future of the Tristan da Cunha station, has been under discussion between the United Kingdom High Commission in Pretoria and the Department of Transport, and the Commonwealth Relations Office feels that it may be better to use one channel of communication in these related matters.

Mr Stewart.

Act. I am sending you
all the previous correspondence
just in case you may find it
possible to arrange for the documents
with the U.K. office in C.T. Otherwise please
return the papers to us. *Jy 25/1/61.*

M. M. M. M.
Acting High Commissioner.
Copy sent to Transport, Pretoria (Mr de Bass) on 25.1.61. He has agreed to take matter up with Transport in Cape Town. *w/25.1.61*

W. W. W. W. W. ACTING HIGH COMMISSIONER

K. Pretorius.
f SEKRETARIS VAN BUITELANDSE SAKE.

KHP/OS

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102/2/6.

OFFICE OF THE HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR THE
UNION OF SOUTH AFRICA
100, WHITE HALL PLACE
LONDON, W.C.2

19th January, 1961.

PRETORIA.

URGENT.

21 JAN 1961

The Acting High Commissioner for the Union of South Africa,
LONDON.

Gough Island : Continuation of Weather
Station.

With reference to your minute P.S. 37/3 of the
29th December, 1960, I have to inform you that the decision
in regard to the proposed continuation of the South African
weather station on Gough is now most urgently awaited in
view of the pressing need for the planning of new buildings
as well as the necessity for arrangements which will shortly
have to be made for relieving the personnel of the Station.
In the circumstances any steps which you may possibly be
able to take to expedite the decision of the British
authorities would be much appreciated.

W. MALAN
SECRETARY FOR EXTERNAL AFFAIRS.

THE SECRETARY FOR TRANSPORT.

Copy for your information please with reference
to the telephone conversation between Messrs. de Beer and
Malan on the 19th January, 1961.

W. MALAN

SECRETARY FOR EXTERNAL AFFAIRS.

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102/2/6

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PR 187

PHILIP FROM MALAN

TRANSPORT HERE UNABLE TO TRACE THEIR CORRESPONDENCE
RE IMPORTATION OF LIVESTOCK INTO GOUGH ISLAND. CAN [REDACTED]
YOU PLEASE TELEX REFERENCE NUMBER^B_A OF THEIR CORRESPONDENCE
WITH US ON THIS SUBJECT WHICH IS PRESUMABLY ON FILE
102/2/6 NOW IN CAPE TOWN.

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102/2/6

FILE IN CAPE TOWN
LEER IN KAAPSTAD

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MALAN FROM PHILIP

YOUR PR 187

TRANSPORTS REFERENCE RE IMPORTATION OF LIVESTOCK TO GOUGH
ISLAND W B 62/2 OF FEBRUARY 2ND 1960. WE REPLIED 102/2/6
OF FEBRUARY 29TH.

*Contents of the above telex telephoned
to Mr. de Beer of Transport on 16.2.61
Wm/*

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**DRINGEND
URGENT**

102/2/6

T.V. 1/34.

DEPARTEMENT VAN VERVOER.



DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORT.

UNIE VAN SUID-AFRIKA.—UNION OF SOUTH AFRICA.

Telegrafiese Adres: | "TRANSPORT"
 Telegraphic Address: |
 Navrae: | **J.B. Reitz.**
 Enquiries: |
 Telefoon | 3-3081 Uitr. | **47**
 Telephone | Ext. |
 Verwysings | **A11/47/2.**
 Reference No. |

21 FEB 1961

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Alle korrespondensie moet gerig word aan:
 All correspondence to be addressed to:
 SEKRETARIS VAN VERVOER, / SECRETARY FOR TRANSPORT,
 PRIVAATSAK, / PRIVATE BAG, 193.
 VERVOERGEBOU, / TRANSPORT BUILDING,
 FOUNTAINLAAN, / FOUNTAIN LANE,
 PRETORIA.

20. 2. 1961

DIE SEKRETARIS VAN BUITELANDSE SAKE.

GOUGHEILAND : INVOER VAN LEWENDE HAWE : U 102/2/6.

1. Hierdie Departement is voornemens om gedurende Maart 1961 sewe slagskape met die s.s. „Shackleton” na Gougheiland te verskeep. Die skape word gestuur met die uitsluitlike doel om vars vleis aan die bemanning van die weerstasie op die eiland te voorsien. Alle vee sal van die eiland verwyder word indien en wanneer die weerstasie om een of ander rede sou ophou om te bestaan.
2. Dit sal waardeer word indien u die Administrateur van Tristan da Cunha wil nader om toestemming om die skape na Gougheiland in te voer soos beoog.
3. Al die skape sal hamels (castrated rams) wees.

Mussel
 u SEKRETARIS VAN VERVOER.

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DEPARTMENT OF 102/2/6

FILE IN 'CAPE TOWN'
LEER IN KAAPSTAD

MINISTER, SECRETARY FOR TRANSPORT
REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA
CAPE TOWN
FOUNTAIN LAKE - HONEYDEW LAKE
WESTERN CAPE

27 FEB 1961

Your Excellency,
DIE SEKRETARIS VAN WYTERLANDSE SAKE.

I have the honour to refer to your letter
No. DAR 467/468/1 of the 15th February, 1960, wherein
you kindly conveyed the agreement of the Administrator
of Tristan da Cunha to the importation into Gough Island
of livestock for slaughter purposes.

It would be appreciated if similar permission
could be obtained from the Administrator for the im-
portation into Gough Island during March, 1961, of seven
castrated rams, also for slaughter purposes.

I have the honour to be,
Your Excellency's obedient Servant,

P. H. Phillip
SECRETARY FOR EXTERNAL AFFAIRS.

His Excellency Sir John Maud, G.C.B., C.B.E.,
High Commissioner for the United Kingdom,
CAPE TOWN.

THE SECRETARY FOR TRANSPORT.

Your minute No. All/47/2 dated 20th February,
1961, refers.

P. H. Phillip
SECRETARY FOR EXTERNAL AFFAIRS.

DW/JB

Recd 3/3/61

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SAR 467/468/1

2nd March, 1961.

Sir,

I have the honour to refer to your letter 102/2/6 of 27th February about the proposed importation into Gough Island of seven castrated rams.

2. The Administrator of Tristan da Cunha is being consulted and a reply will be conveyed to you as soon as possible.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

P. B. LEWIS

for HIGH COMMISSIONER.

THE SECRETARY FOR EXTERNAL AFFAIRS,
PARLIAMENT STREET,
CAPE TOWN.

/MJT

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I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

P. S. Lewis

for

HIGH COMMISSIONER.

THE SECRETARY FOR EXTERNAL AFFAIRS,
PARLIAMENT STREET,
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CT 411

MALAN FROM WHITE

PLEASE INFORM REITZ OF TRANSPORT(EXT. 47) THAT AUTHORITY
HAS BEEN RECEIVED THROUGH UNITED KINGDOM HIGH COMMISSIONER
FOR IMPORTATION SEVEN RAMS INTO GOUGH. MINUTE CONFIRMING FOLLOWS.

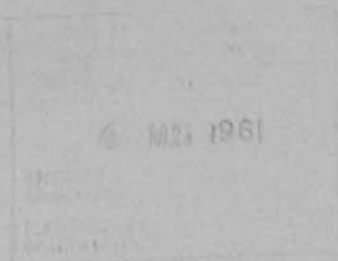
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FILE IN CAPE TOWN
LEER IN KAAPSTAD

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Contents of the above telephoned to Mr. Rantz
at 11.30 pm on 4.3.61

Wm/

File

102/2/6.

CAPE TOWN.

4th MAR 1961

THE SECRETARY FOR TRANSPORT.

Gough Island : Importation of Slaughter
sheep.

With reference to your minute No. A.11/47/2
of the 20th February, 1961, I have to inform you that
the Administrator of Tristan da Cunha has agreed to
importation into Gough Island of the seven castrated
rams during March, 1961.

ACTING SECRETARY FOR EXTERNAL AFFAIRS.

DW/WML.

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SAR.467/3

OFFICE OF THE HIGH COMMISSIONER
FOR THE UNITED KINGDOM,
CAPE TOWN.

CONFIDENTIAL.

7th March, 1961.

As you will no doubt be aware, the Union Government in a letter from South Africa House to the Commonwealth Relations Office dated 3rd October, 1960, sought the agreement of the United Kingdom Government to their maintaining their weather station on Gough Island for a further period of three years from April, 1961. At the same time, the Union Government asked permission to erect a new weather station on Gough Island at a site above Transvaal Bay, and to construct a new safe-landing berth with facilities for unloading in Transvaal Bay. Subsequently I discussed some aspects of the matter informally with the Department of Transport in Pretoria who kindly provided maps and drawings of the proposed new station and landing berth for the guidance of the United Kingdom authorities.

2. We have now been asked to inform you that the United Kingdom are prepared to extend their agreement to the Union Government operating the weather station on Gough Island for a period of three years from April, 1961, and to renew the licence to operate the wireless station for a further period of twelve months from 1st January, 1961, subject to the following conditions:

- (a) that the South African Government agree to pay to the Tristan da Cunha authorities a rental of £100 per annum for the lease of the station on Gough and £50 per annum for the wireless licence;
- (b) that in the event of the Union Government setting up a new station at Transvaal Bay they will introduce no foreign fauna or flora into the Island without first obtaining the approval of the Administrator.

3. Condition (b) will mean inter alia that no more livestock or domestic animals may be introduced into the Island and that no sheep are moved from the Glen to the new site. The sheep now grazing in the Glen would have to be progressively destroyed or shipped away. These rather stringent rules are considered necessary because the Transvaal Bay site is in a situation from which it would be almost impossible to prevent the spread of animals and plants all over the Island (whereas the steep slopes of the Glen afforded natural means of confining them). The arrangements for landing at Transvaal Bay appear to be nearly rat proof but the South African authorities will need to keep in mind (as they do now) the danger of introducing rats and mice in the stores landed. Fowls and potatoes may be kept and other vegetables for eating may be introduced if permission is sought from the Administrator.

4. If the Union authorities agree to these conditions, consideration can then be given to the drawing up of any formal agreement that may be necessary.

5. I am sending a copy of this letter to Mr. Lindhorst in Pretoria.

P. PHILIP, ESQ.,
DEPARTMENT OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS,
CAPE TOWN.

ELEANOR J. EMERY

I telephoned Mr. Rintz of Transport about this on 11.3.61 they have already received a copy direct from C.T. and will write to us about this matter.

102/2/6

SAR.467/3

CONFIDENTIAL

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CAPE TOWN/K... AD
DEPT. VAN BUI

OFFICE OF THE HIGH COMMISSIONER
FOR THE UNITED KINGDOM,
CAPE TOWN.

7th March, 1961.

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P. PHILIP, ESQ.,
DEPARTMENT OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS,
CAPE TOWN.

file.

Yours sincerely
Philip

2 copies despatched to Dept. of Transport (Mr. Gouws).

7.3.61.