

C.S.O.

(Formerly)

SUBJECT :

FALKLAND ISLANDS DEFENCE FORCE.

Summer Training Camp.

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CONNECTED FILES.

NUMBER AND YEAR.

20/37

Summer Camp for the F.I.D.F.

0232/L

Palkland Islands Defence Force,
Headquarters,
Stanley.

22nd December, 1955.

To, Lt. Col. Denton-Thompson. M.C.
Commandant,
P.I.D.F.

Sir,

I have the honour to submit for approval that the proposed Summer Training Camp for members of the Defence Force held at the Royal Marine Barracks (Naval W/I Station) from Saturday the 18th February to Wednesday the 29th February, 1956, and that I may be authorised to proceed with the necessary arrangements.

I have suggested the dates mentioned above owing to "Pitzroy" arriving in Stanley on the 1st of March and the next Charter Vessel during the first week in March. The arrival of these vessels would prevent members employed by the P.I.D.F. from attending.

W. Jones

File

Adjutant

*Ask Adj. to speak with Mr. Jones - has
been with him about the papers
to finance the scheme. He fines?*

*Mr. J.
This Adjutant will be in to discuss
above Tuesday morning
2nd Jan 56*

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8 F.R.

12 days inclusive
of weekend

Adj. requested for estimates of cost on 3/1

2. Com. F.R. is not very enthusiastic
about releasing F.R. even owing to the
laxness situation & the work he has
on hand during the summer months.

B
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Is Adj. going with the
3 B's. this year?

B
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not

not this year. 12/11

Adj.

I can take no further action on this
until I receive detailed estimates of cost.

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BU 3/1/56 H.

F.I.D.F.
Headquarters.

23rd January, 1956.

To,
Acting Col Secretary.
Stanley.

Sir,

As requested I submit an estimate for the proposed Training Camp for members of the F.I.D.F.

<u>Victualling.</u>	88 members @ 5/- per day,	558-----8-----0
<u>Wages.</u>	Members not employed by Government, 18 @ 2/4d per hr.	110-----10-----0
<u>Cook.</u>	@ 50/- per day.	12-----
<u>Transport etc.</u>		19-----2-----
		<u>599-----</u>

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

W. D. Jones.

Adjutant.

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J.H.

We spoke re Training Camp - from the Defence Force point of view I agree it is a good thing & indeed the best way to knock something into the Force that will stick.

Page 1, wh. is addressed to the G.O., was handed in just prior to his departure - although it was not my business at that stage I knew it would eventually be referred to Govt. or Mr. Jones, so I made it my business to go discuss the matter with the G.O. I made the assumption that only £30 was voted for 'Defence Exercise' in the current estimates & this could not possibly cover the cost of a camp - extra provision would therefore be required. He asked me to approach the F.C. about releasing their men - this I did. The Manager is not enthusiastic & said that although there was not likely to be a ship in on the anticipated dates (see para. 2 of 1) it must be remembered that cargo from previous ships would not be cleared up & he would require all his labour. He held out no hopes of releasing his men. The Manager however was not altogether against a camp & said his company would be in a better position to release men during the winter.

Regarding the Adjutant's estimate of cost (see page 2), i.e. £210 - to this must be added about £200 to cover Govt. employees wages. In all the camp will cost over £400. In the absence of an S.F.C. I do not feel inclined to recommend to H.E. that he approves expenditure which might cause him embarrassment when the new Legislature is formed. Legislatures since the war have

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257 been to happy some expeditions in respect
of the F.I.D.F.

Q

1/2

Adj. Co.

1. At the end of last training season the men were told that the Co. had approved a camp this summer. The morale and esprit de corps in the force has improved but to cancel the camp can have no other effect than a serious ~~swing~~ swing the other way.

2. The stumbling block appears to be financial. The Adjutant has suggested borrowing from the Co.'s funds this year in anticipation of eventual provision in the Estimates from which repayment shall be made in due course. If the camp is to be annual, and that is the idea, this suggestion in effect means double provision in the next Estimates. Your views on the practicability of this proposal would be appreciated.

3. An alternative which may not satisfy the men, who will think that we are continually putting them off, is to hold the camp at the end of the training season each year, when employers are more likely to release their employees. This course is only practicable if the Wireless Station barracks can be used since camping in winter under canvas is not to be recommended. The value of a winter camp would be less owing to short hours of daylight and inclement weather.

4. If the members of Reg. Co. consider that the best interests of the Colony will be served by disbanding the Force and leaving the Colony without protection then they are at liberty to proceed accordingly. If they want an effective Force they should be prepared to spend money on it. There are no half-way measures.

H.L. 8/2/56

Higher
inequality
!

Y.E.

1 with 4 and 5.

While I consider we shd. maintain the Defence Force at a high a standard of efficiency as possible, the matter of holding a camp during the current financial year should have been planned well in advance & included in the current Estimates.

2. In the absence of an S.F.C.

I am not prepared to recommend that Y.E. authorises expenditure to the tune of £400 - to do so may cause embarrassment at a later date. Legislatures since the war have been sceptical in the matter of expenditure on the Defence Force.

3. Conclude for Y.E's. direction in this matter.

Q
9/2.

I'll sign a V/W. MA 9/2

Aq. C.T.

Aq. Co. F.I.D.F. informed
9/2

To note - the S/Warrant has been submitted separately.

Hones

Q
9/2.

A.C.I.

Sw. signed and passed to you pt. - have you received
Nov 20.

2. Y.

15th February, 1956.

Acting Col. Secretary,
Stanley.

Sir,

I respectfully request that Government send a Telegram to Admiralty requesting permission for the Falkland Islands Defence Force to hold a Training Camp at the Naval W/T Station from the 16th March to the 28th March, 1956, inclusive.

I am,
Sir,

Your obedient servant,

File pt

R. Jones.

Adjutant. F.I.D.F.

*Ref. with a/c to
C.O. Porters on similar See 71 in 0946*

*lines to me regarding
accommodation for Airline
Survey - I think this is
too late to do. B. J.*

GOVERNMENT TELEGRAPH SERVICE

FALKLAND ISLANDS

SENT

Number

Office of Origin

Words

Handed in at

Date

To

C.O. PROTECTOR

H.M.A/C

GOVERNOR HAS APPROVED DEFENCE FORCE HOLDING SUMMER TRAINING CAMP 16TH -28TH MARCH BUT SUITABLE ACCOMMODATION NEAR STANLEY DIFFICULT TO FIND STOP GRATEFUL IF YOU COULD OBTAIN PERMISSION TELEGRAPHICALLY FOR FORCE TO USE R.M. BARRACKS AT NAVAL W/T STATION FOR PERIOD STATED.

COLSEC.

Reply 9

BU 22/2 X
no reply BU 24/2 X
Reply in BU 27/2 X

DECODE.

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TELEGRAM.

From C.O. PROTECTOR

To COLONIAL SECRETARY

Despatched : 25th February, 19 56 Time : 1225

Received : 25th February, 19 56 Time : 0900

8. Your telegram of 18th February. Following has been received begins:-

"From Commander-in-Chief, America and West Indies to "Protector" approved provided no cost to Naval votes is incurred!"

C.O. PROTECTOR

Adj. informed

P.A.

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27.2.

P/L:IMR



1st March, 1956.

Sir,

11- I respectfully request that application be made for the release of the attached list of members of the Defence Force for the purpose of attending the Training Camp to be held at the Naval W/T Station from the 16th March to the 28th March 1956, inclusive.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

A. Jones.
Adjutant.

Acting Col. Secretary,
Stanley.

*Drop in K. Jones & letter
to C. M. F. R.*

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FALKLAND ISLANDS DEFENCE FORCE

TRAINING CAMP

1956



NAME		RANK	EMPLOYED	MONTHLY OR WEEKLY	REMARKS
Courts Hardy	x F	Pte. -	P.W.D. (Hansen)	Weekly	
Johnson	x P.	Pte. -	" (Hansen)	"	
Livermore	x T.	Pte. -	"	"	
Rowlands	x J.	Pte. -	"	"	
Peck	x T.	Pte.	"	"	
Johnson	x H.	Mr. -	" (Mr. Weir)	"	Cook
Alazia	x W.	Pte.	"	Monthly	
Hansen	x P.B.	Pte. -	"	"	
Skilling	x R.	Pte. -	"	"	
Courts McSkill	x S.	Pte. -	Ag. Dept.	Weekly	Gov. House.
Hansen	x D.	Pte. -	" "	"	" Garden
Williams	x G.	Pte. -	" "	"	" Garden
Richards	x W.	Pte.	W/T Station	Monthly	
McLeod	x P.	Pte.	" "	"	
King	x V.	Cpl. -	Printing Office	"	
Peck	x P.	Pte. ✓	Gov. House	"	Orderly
Goodwin	x N.	Pte. -	Power House	"	
Peck	B.	Pte.	Light House	"	
Newing	x J.	Lt/Cpl. -	Met. Station	"	
Bennett	x H.	Cpl. -	Supreme Court	"	Registrar
Jones	x W.	Lt. -	Police	"	
Mills	x K.	Pte.	F.I.C. West Store.	"	
Jones	x R.	C/Sgt.	F.I.C. " "	"	
Goss	x R.	C.S.M.	Labour Federation	} No application required	
Duncan	x H.	Pte.	Butchery		
Biggs	x J.	Pte.	F.I.C. Jetty	Weekly	
Pauloni	x R.	Pte.	F.I.C. " "	"	
Ford	x H.	Pte.	F.I.C. " "	"	

March, 7th,

56

Sir,

With a view to improving the efficiency of the Defence Force His Excellency has approved the holding of a training camp at the old Naval Wireless Station from 16th March, 1956 to 28th March inclusive. It is hoped that as many members of the Force as possible will attend and I am directed to enquire whether the following employees of your Company could be released for the camp:-

As arranged.

C/Sgt. R. Jones
 Pte. J. Bliggs
 Pte. H. Ford
 Pte. K. Mills
 Pte. R. Pauloni C. Pack
 Pte. J. Paulson
 Pte. J. Paulson

2. Wages for the period of release will be paid by Government.

*Release fixed between
 Adjutant + F.I.D.F. Staff*

I am,
 Sir,
 Your obedient servant,

The Manager,
 Falkland Islands Company Ltd.,
Stanley.

(Sgd) J. Bound.

Acting Colonial Secretary

Y.E.

Has Y.E. any
objection to Beck
attending the F.I.O.F.
Training camp during
period Y.E. is on
tour pe?

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5/3.

No. Certainly not

Ans

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Res.

Pl. inform
Aspirant that the
application for
release of F.I.C.
man for F.I.O.F. Camp
has to wait
Mr. Barton's return
some 14th.

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Informed.

File pl.
Shu
9/3/56

No. 6838/L.

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

MEMORANDUM.

10th March, 19 56

To: All Heads of Departments,

From: Acting Colonial Secretary.

Stanley.

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

SUBJECT:-


E.I.D.F. Training Camp.

With a view to improving the efficiency of the Defence Force His Excellency has approved the holding of a training camp at the old Naval Wireless Station from 15th to 28th March, inclusive. It is hoped that as many members of the Force as possible will attend and I am to ask you to release the following members from your Department for the camp.

(See below).

2. Persons so released will be regarded as being on special leave and normal leave will not be affected.

3. It should of course be borne in mind when considering release that essential public services must be maintained.


ACTING COLONIAL SECRETARY

Civil Engineer.

F. Courts
P. Johnson
H. Johnson

Head Printer

V. King

Public Works Department.

D. Hardy
T. Livermore
J. Rowlands
R. B. Hansen
R. Skilling
W. Alazia
T. Peck

Agricultural Department

D. Hansen
S. McAskill
G. Williams
Registrar General
H. Bennett

Power and Electrical Installation.

N. Goodwin

Chief Constable

W. Jones.

Chief Met. Officer

J. Newing.

Post and Telegraphs Department

W. Richards
P. McLeod

Note: B. Peck, lighthouse can not be released.

W. Jones
12/3/56

B. Peck 14/3/56

26th March,

56

To: Adjutant,

From: Acting Colonial Secretary.

Falkland Islands Defence Force,

Stanley.

F.I.D.F. Training Camp.

I am directed to refer to the visit of His Honour the Governor's Deputy to the Falkland Islands Defence Force Training Camp on Saturday morning and to convey to you and all ranks His Honour's congratulations on the very smart appearance and drill of the Guard of Honour.

2. His Honour was also greatly impressed by the military atmosphere prevailing in the camp together with the excellent cooking (some of which he sampled) and the general cleanliness of the Barracks.

(Sgd) J. Bound.

ACTING COLONIAL SECRETARY

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LM 1/5
20/3/56

Falkland Islands Defence Force,
Headquarters,
Stanley.

6th February, 1957.

Lt. Col. Denton-Thompson. M.C.
Commandant,
F.I.D.F.

Sir,

I have the honour to submit for approval that the Annual Training Camp for members of the Defence Force be held at the Naval W/T Station for a period of 14 days commencing towards end of February, 1957, and that I may be authorised to proceed with the necessary arrangements.

HCS/

I would like Mr. Jones
to come and see me on Monday
evening. He should arrange things

Mr. Jones.

EJF

8.2.57.

~~W. Jones.~~

Adjutant.

Off. Re. inform Mr. Jones re. acc.

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Adjutant informed

filed

9/2/57

at

FALKLAND ISLANDS DEFENCE FORCETRAINING CAMP1967

<u>NAME</u>	<u>RANK</u>	<u>EMPLOYED</u>
McAskill	S. Pte.	Agricultural Dept. Gov. Garden
Hansen	"	" " " "
Williams	E.	" " " "
Alazia	W.	P.W.D. Blacksmith Shop
Peck	E.	" Plumber
Willis	"	F.I.C. West Store Hardware Dept.
Peck	B.	" " " Mineral Plant
Jones	R. Acting C.S.M.	" " " Driver
Biggs	J.	" Jetty
Rowlands	J.	" Works Store
Pedersen	M.	" Carpenter Shop
Peck	P. 1/Cpl.	Government House, Orderly & Caretaker
King	V. Sgt.	Printing Office
Summers	P. Sgt.	P.W.D. Office
Cheek	J. Pte.	Met. Station
Goodwin	N. 1/Cpl.	Power House
Jones	W. Lt. Adj.	Police & Prisons

Application for release not required.

Goss	R.	Lt.	Labour Federation
Ferguson	E.	Pte.	Private Contractor
Duncan	E.	"	" "

✓ indicates no need to seek release

1-1185 hush

hourly paid
by military
weekly & monthly
by present employers

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Y. 11

Reverse

Adjutant called & ask for the usual
letter to issue regarding release of FIDF
members for the camp. & said that
you wished to sign.

2. Drafts (2) are accordingly submitted at G.C.
for consideration of.

J
M/r.

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No. 3/1957/32

MEMORANDUM.

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It is requested
that, in any refer-
ence to this memo-
ndum the above
number and para-
graph should be
quoted.

21 FEB 1957
FALKLAND ISLANDS Stanley, Falkland Islands.

21st Feb 1957. 19

His Honour

The officer administering the Govt.
Stanley.

SUBJECT :- Relief for Govt. House Gardeners.

I have discussed with Messrs H. and L.E. Biggs the question of looking after the Govt. House Gardeners while the three gardeners are away at the Defence Force Camp.

They are prepared to do the work.

It is estimated that each will have to do about 3 hours a day overtime, and they will do this before or after normal working hours.

The cost will be, say 20 hours a week each, at 3/6 an hour, approximately £14 for the period.

If £15 is allowed - it will not be exceeded. I shall be grateful for confirmation of this arrangement, and instructions as to what vote the £15 should be debited.

Edward T. Fern A/O.

See 2/2

0838/L

23rd February

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Sir,

With a view to improving the efficiency of the Defence Force it is proposed to hold another training camp at the Naval Wireless Station from the 1st to the 14th March inclusive. For part of the time on this occasion the Royal Marines will assist in training and the opportunity of receiving instruction from professional soldiers should not be missed. It is therefore hoped that as many members of the Force as possible will attend and I should be most grateful if the following employees of your Company could be released for the Camp:-

Acting C.S.M. R. Jones.
Pte. J. Biggs.
Pte. K. Mills.
Pte. B. Peck.
Pte. M. Pedersen.
Pte. J. Rowlands.

2. Wages for the period of release will be paid by Government.

3. The question of the release of Acting C.S.M. R. Jones and Pte. K. Mills has already been discussed with Mr. D. Clarke and the difficulties in the way of release are fully appreciated. Mr. Clarke has, however, kindly agreed to do what he can to release the two men for at least part of the time.

I am, Sir,
Your obedient servant.

(Sgd) a/gdt.

OFFICER ADMINISTERING THE GOVERNMENT.

The Manager,
Falkland Islands Company Limited,
Stanley.

0838/L
No.

MEMORANDUM.

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

From:

Officer Administering the Government.

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

23rd February 1957

To: Heads of the following Departments:-

Public Works,
Meteorological Station,
Printing Office,
Police & Prisons.

SUBJECT :-

F.I.D.F. TRAINING CAMP

With a view to improving the efficiency of the Defence Force it is proposed to hold another training camp at the old Naval Wireless Station from 1st to 14th March inclusive. It is hoped that as many members of the Force as possible will attend and I ~~am~~ ask you to release the following members from your Department for the camp:-

Public Works.

Sgt. P. Summers.
Pte. W. Alazia.
Pte. T. Peck.

Meteorological.

Pte. J. Cheek.

Printing Office.

Sgt. V.T. King.

Police & Prisons.

Lt. W. Jones.

Persons so released will be regarded as being on special leave and normal leave will not be affected.

It should of course be borne in mind when considering release that essential public services must be maintained.

AGDT/PT

No. 0838/L

MEMORANDUM.

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

From:

Officer Administering the Government.

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

25th February

1957

To:

Agricultural Officer.

SUBJECT :-

21
Your memorandum 3/1957/52 of the 21st February - relief of Government House gardeners.

I have noted with appreciation the action you have taken for the relief of Government House gardeners. Perhaps you would inform them officially.

The £15 that will be required to pay reliefs should be debited to Head IX Military, subhead 9 Training Camp.

AGDI/PT

Re.
E.
25/2

FALKLAND ISLANDS DEFENCE FORCE

TRAINING CAMP

1958

<u>NAME</u>		<u>RANK</u>	<u>EMPLOYED</u>
JONES ✓	W.J.	LT. Adj.	Police & Prisons
King	V.T.	Sgt.	Printing Office
Harries	R.	L/Cpl.	Printing Office
Peck	P.	L/Cpl.	Orderly & Caretaker G. H.
Luxton ✓	H.T.	Cpl.	Post Office
Summers	R.	Pte.	Met. Station
Cheek	J.	Pte.	Met. Station
Hansen ✓	D.	Pte.	Government Gardeh
Williams	E.	Pte.	Government Garden
Biggs	J.	Pte.	F. I. C.
Rowlands	J.	Pte.	F. I. C.
Pedersen ✓	M.	Pte.	F. I. C.
Alazia ✓	W.	Pte.	P. W. D.
Peck	T.	Pte.	P.W. D.
Smith	E.	Pte.	At present unemployed
Goss	R.	2nd/Lt.	Application not required
Halliday	W.J.	Engineman	P. W. D.
Pearson	G.	Cook	F. I. C.

Total: 16 members.

To,
The Commanding Officer,
F.I.D.F.

Sir,

Request that application be made for the release of the above personnel for a period of fourteen days for the purpose of attending the F.I.D.F. Training Camp commencing 8th March, 1958.

Adjutant.

24/2/58

0838/L

27th February, 1958.

D/O

I should be very grateful if you would enquire from Mrs. Arrowsmith whether it would be convenient and possible for the following employees at Government House to attend a Falkland Islands Defence Force Training Camp from midday on Saturday, 8th March until midday on Sunday, 16th March:-

P. Peck
D. Hansen
E. Williams

I appreciate that release in their cases may present some difficulties and cause considerable inconvenience. I should, however, be most grateful if some arrangements to that effect could be made.

A.G.D.T.

The Private Secretary,
Government House,
STANLEY.

AGDT/SJA

27th February, 58.

To:

From: Lt. Col. Commandant, F.I.D.F.

STANLEY.F.I.D.F. Training Camp.

The Falkland Islands Defence Force Training Camp has been arranged for the period midday Saturday, 8th March to midday Sunday, 16th March. I should be very grateful if the following persons could be released to attend this camp:-

Police & Prison

W.T. Jones

Printing Office

V.T. King

R. Hester

P. & T.

H.T. Luxton

Hot

R. Summers

J. Clark

(Sgt. H.G. & T.)

P.W.D.

W. Hargrave

T. Peck

W.T. Halliday

Lt. Col. Commandant
Falkland Islands Defence Force

0838/L

27th February, 1958.

D/O

I am trying to make arrangements for a Falkland Islands Defence Force Training Camp to take place in conjunction with the Marine Detachment of H.M.S. PROTECTOR from midday 8th March to midday 16th March. I appreciate of course that the release of personnel does present serious problems, particularly when so many people are short staffed. I should, however, be most grateful if you would give serious consideration to releasing for the dates mentioned the following people who are employed by the Falkland Islands Company Limited:-

J. Biggs
J. Rowlands
M. Pedersen
G. Pearson

Pearson is required as the Cook but I understand that you may be able to release him although he is not an active member of the Force.

A.G.D.T.

Lt. Col. Commandant
Falkland Islands Defence Force

The Hon. Mr. A.G. Barton, C.B.E., J.P.,
STANLEY.

AGDT/SJA

DECODE.

TELEGRAM.

From Protector

To Secfids

Despatched : 25th February 1958 Time : 0015

Received : 25th February 1958 Time : 1015

Restricted.

It is confirmed that Royal Marine detachment
will be with you for Falkland Islands Defence Force
training period.

Navy 6:BID:RJB

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On f.l. 25/2/58.

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26/2/58



29.
GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
FALKLAND ISLANDS.

28th February, 1958

Dear Sir,

24.
In reply to your letter of the 27th February, I have to inform you that Mrs. Arrowsmith has agreed to allow E. Williams and D. Hansen to attend a Falkland Islands Defence Force Training Camp from midday on Saturday, 8th March, until midday on Sunday, 16th March, on the condition that they are allowed to return to Stanley one evening (date not yet known) to assist at a party which is to be held at Government House.

P. Peck must be in Stanley when His Excellency the Governor returns from South, and he must also be here during the whole of the day on which the above mentioned party is held, but he may attend camp for the remaining days.

Yours sincerely,

P. Tinney.

Private Secretary
to H.E. the Governor.

Lt. Col. A. G. Denton-Thompson, M.C.,
Commanding Officer,
Falkland Islands Defence Force,
STANLEY.

30.

Officer

Please advise Adjutant that the Camp will
be from the 8-16 March - approximately 1 week.
I told him that verbally but I see from J23
he is still thinking in terms of 14 days.

WJH

3/3/58

31.

Ac 1

Mr. Jones informed.

WJH 4/3/58

16.
4/3/58

32.

P.A.
WJH

14/3/58

0838/L

18th March, 1958.

D/O

I am writing to thank you for all the assistance given to the Falkland Islands Defence Force during the course of the week's Training Camp that has just concluded.

I frankly don't think that the Camp could have been more successful both from the point of view of training and cementing relationships between the Navy and our people. It is rather invidious to single out any names because, quite clearly, all the Marines did everything they could to help, but I would particularly like to mention Captain T.J. Wills, R.M. and Colour-Sergeant R. Parkinson, R.M. both of whom, if I may say so, have earned the very real respect and affection of the Defence Force.

A.G.D.T.

Captain A.R.L. Butler, D.S.C., R.N.,
H.M.S. PROTECTOR,
at STANLEY.

AGDT/SJA

0838/L

18th March, 1958.

D/O.

Thank you so very much for all the help you have given us over the Training Camp week which has just finished.

From all that I have heard, the Camp was an unqualified success and we have particularly appreciated the keenness and enthusiasm with which you, your Sergeant-Major, N.C.O.'s and Marines entered into the scheme, and the excellence of the arrangements you made.

Please accept my grateful thanks.

A.G.D.T.

Captain T.J. Wills, R.M.,
STANLEY.

AGDT/SJA

0838/L

18th March, 1958.

D/O

It is very difficult for us to single out any particular individual from amongst you and your Marines, but I feel that I must write to you briefly to thank you personally for all you have done to make the Defence Force Camp so constructive and so agreeable. All that you have done has been very greatly appreciated by all of us connected with the Defence Force.

I am only sorry that this year we were able to produce so few and that the time available was of necessity restricted to one week. Nevertheless I am sure that those who were able to attend the Camp are very much better for it.

Please accept my grateful thanks.

A.G.D.T.

Colour-Sergeant R. Parkinson, R.M.,
STANLEY.

AGDT/CJA

Pa.
21/3/58

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H.M.S. PROTECTOR.

at Port Stanley.

28th. March, 1958.

33 Dear Captain. Thompson,

How very nice of you to write so kindly about
my Royal Marine Detachment.

There is no doubt that they themselves thoroughly
enjoyed this period ashore with the Falkland Islands Defence
Force - it was valuable training and very good fun.

We hope you will see fit to invite us again
next year.

Yours very sincerely,

Adrian Butler

Captain,

Royal Navy.

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The Honourable The Colonial Secretary.
Colonial Secretary's Office.
Stanley.

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12th. July, 1960.

re Food and wages paid at annual camp.

45 I have to refer to your letter of the 10th. March, 1960.

2. The points at issue have now I think reached the stage when it is necessary to bring the matter before the Hon. Colonial Secretary and Colonial Treasurer for their views and comments.

3. I attach at Annexures 'A', 'B', 'C' and 'D', ^{42 43 44 45} of the previous correspondence.

45 4. Now to deal with your letter under reference, paragraph by paragraph.

5. Would it not be a good idea to obtain the persons current wage by letter from their employers, and attach the letter to the salary voucher which will enable the Treasury and this department to verify the payments made by you for this purpose.

6. Would you please obtain authority from Government to pay at 2/10 per hour for a 8 hour day, where the member of the force is self employed or unemployed.

7. Now to deal with your second paragraph, you list the charges as transport, wages, food, fuel and repairs. I think we can accept transport, fuel and repairs as these items will be supported by detailed vouchers, wages we have dealt with at paragraphs 5 and 6 above, this leaves food.

8. I think your argument that numbers attending camp, is difficult to estimate in advance, is no doubt very true, but variations in numbers will not make it more difficult to calculate a daily ration scale per head. When numbers are so variable a ration scale is necessary if we are to have any control at all. You would no doubt when estimating have to allow for food for the maximum number likely to attend camp, the purchases and issues however made at the time of camp would be at the per capita ration scale for the numbers actually attending camp.

9. I am not trying to create more records for records sake, but under the present arrangement I do feel that your expenses for annual camp are not wholly susceptible to audit, and we must decide how much government should reasonably be asked to pay to feed one person for one day.

10. Grateful if you would calculate a ration scale and submit to government for approval.

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Auditor.

The Adjutant,
F.I.D.F.,
Stanley.

Copy:- Hon. Colonial Secretary.
Colonial Treasurer.

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Audit Query.

8/58/59.

Audit Office,
Stanley.

To the Adjutant F.I.D.F.

25th. January, 1960.

ref Annual training camp 1955.

1. Grateful to be informed what evidence is obtained from members of the Force as to normal earnings.
2. What is the basis of calculation of the purchase of food etc., for each camp, per capita?
3. What happens to the surplus food at the end of each camp.

D. Mc Govern.

Auditor.

Copy.

Defence Force H.Q.,
Stanley,

1st. February, 1960.

Auditor,
Audit Office,
Stanley.

Ref. No. 8/58/59. Audit Query.

1. Obtained from their employers. Private contractors are paid 2/10 per hour.
2. Food is not calculated on so much per person per day. An estimate of total requirements for a training camp is taken from previous records. Further supplies especially fresh foodstuffs are obtained when required.
3. All purchases are made from a supplier on the understanding that all surplus is returned. If ~~itx~~ items returned have been charged, a credit note is issued by the supplier.

W. Jones.

Adjutant.

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F36/3.

Audito Office,
Stanley.

5th. February, 1960.

re Audit Query 8/58/59.

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I have to refer to your reply dated 1st. February, 1960, to the above audit query.

2. Grateful if the employers confirmation of normal wages paid to men~~z~~ who attended camp in June, 1959, would be forwarded to this office to enable the payment voucher under query to be checked. I should also be grateful to be referred to the authority for payment of loss of wages during annual camp and the authorised rates.

3. I would have thought that food consumption at camp could only have been accurately calculated by realation to the number attending camp, i.e. per head per day. If as you say you refer to previous camp records and as no doubt numbers attending camp will vary from one year to the next surely the food consumed at the previous camp will have to be reduced to so much per man before you can arrive at a accurate estimate for the next year. I cannot see how the expenditure for food at annual camp can otherwise be c controlled. Grateful for your views and in particular how you propose calculation for the 1960/61 Estimates?

D. Mc Govern.

Auditor.

The Adjutant,
F.I.D.F.,
Stanley.

Copy.Defence Force,
Stanley.

10th. March, 1960.

Auditor,
Stanley.Audit Query 8/58/59 and F36/3.

I regret but I have no written confirmation from employers regarding normal wage earnings of members who attend the Defence Force Training Camps. I personally contact their employers and ask for their normal rates of pay. If a member is on contract or at the time not employed he is given to understand that he would be paid at the standard rate of 2/10 per hour for an 8 hr. day.

The sum granted each year is to cover all expenses incurred in connection with the camp, i.e. transport, wages, food, fuel and repairs to quarters, etc. Men employed by government on a monthly basis do not have their pay stopped when they attend a training camp. This makes a considerable difference to the amount paid out in wages. The sum of £123.15.6., paid out in wages 1959 camp was due to the majority being on a non-monthly basis, and therefore had to be paid by military.

With reference to para 5, of your F36/3, there is no way of making an accurate estimate of expenditure for a training camp, for one has no knowledge what so ever of what the attendance is likely to be until applications for their release is made to their employers prior to the camp being held. Some members are released for part time while others are told they will be released for the full period even then at times they are recalled before completion of the camp. Under these circumstances one has no definite number to base an estimate.

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Adjutant.

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Hon. S. S.

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The Analyst has informed me that
the Adjutant has referred the matter to
the Acting S. O. (Mr Green), before commenting
I would like to see what reply the 41.

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Commandant's letter for

comments please

Regd. S. S.

GS.

MEMORANDUM.



TO: The Honourable the Colonial Secretary

FROM: Officer Commanding, F.I.D.F.
c.c. The Colonial Treasurer
c.c. Adjutant, F.I.D.F.

Subject - Audit Query No. 8/58/59 - F.I.D.F. Camp.

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The Auditor's letter F36/5 dated the 12th July, 1960, and the associated correspondence has been passed to me by the Adjutant for comment.

I have gone very carefully into the various points raised by the Auditor and have examined all the relevant vouchers supporting the expenditure in question.

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It appears that items 1 and 3 of Audit Query No. 8/58/59 have been cleared up. Since it has not been stated in the correspondence I should add that the Force has accepted the advice of the Auditor (para 5 of his letter F36/5) and that, in future, the Adjutant will obtain written statements from employers to support amounts paid out in compensation for loss of civil pay. May it please be confirmed that this, and payment at the rate of 2/10d. per 8 hour day for unemployed, self employed and contract workers, has Government's approval.

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The question of victualling (paragraphs 7, 8, 9 and 10 of the Auditor's letter F36/5) remains outstanding.

In case another impression has been given in paragraph 7 of the letter under reference, I should point out that detailed vouchers are available to support expenditure on food.

It is not clear to me from paragraphs 8, 9 and 10 what it is that the Auditor is really aiming at - a ration scale or a victualling rate per man/day (although he does settle for the former in paragraph 10). It will be readily appreciated that they are two very different things. Clearly, a ration scale will not be much use to Government in assessing how much it is prepared to pay since prices vary so much from year to year and from shop to shop. The price of butter, for instance, can vary by almost 100%. There are other difficulties and disadvantages in laying down a ration scale, i.e.

(a) Certain items, e.g. fresh vegetables, are only obtainable at certain times of the year.

(b) The stores have been known to run out of staple items.

(c) The utilisation of many items will depend on the skill or otherwise of the cook.

(d) By what standards is a ration scale to be measured? How can one assess the mutton and beef ration when meat is sold by the pound, bone and all?

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In my view a ration scale is likely to lead to waste rather than to encourage economy and in order to carry the purpose of a scale through to its logical conclusion, highly efficient stewardship is required including standard menus and a factor for waste and utilisation of waste as practised in the regular army (not always very successfully). Moreover, there are not enough people in the Force, nor is the camp long enough to provide the flexibility which exists in an Army Battalion of 800 or so.

I am open to suggestion but I would find it most difficult even to draw up a ration scale for this particular purpose. I notice that the food bought for the last camp does not include a number of items which I, personally, would include in a ration scale.

The alternative then, is to consider a daily victualling rate. In approving such a rate Government would at least be stating how much it is prepared to pay to feed one man for one day although it would be no nearer obtaining an accurate figure for the Estimates. It would be necessary to estimate for the greatest number who could possibly attend camp, in which case the figure, which would be higher than in previous years, would doubtless come under fire in Leg. Co. To counteract this it could be pointed out that actual expenditure will be tied to the numbers eventually attending camp.

X | I would say that 8/6d. per day is a fair and reasonable rate for short term victualling of a small number of men in Stanley. This is the rate allowed by F.I.D.S. under similar circumstances. It was found by F.I.D.S. that this sum barely covered the first month's requirements but that, thereafter, it was adequate. The reasons for this need no elaboration.

A victualling rate is not, however, entirely satisfactory since it could never suit precisely the circumstances of any particular short period of time even if it were to be amended in accordance with each published cost of living index. Therefore, it will either be too much or not enough. If too much, the temptation will be to spend it up to the hilt. If too little there will be discontent.

By and large there is much to be said for the empirical methods at present employed. Inspection has revealed that the cost per man/day for the last camp was 7/7d. or 7/11d. if cleaning materials are included. I regard this as a very reasonable figure which reflects credit on the Adjutant's regard for economical expenditure of Government funds. Inspection of the food bills will readily reveal any tendency to extravagance or careless stewardship and an explanation can be called for if there should be any significant increase in the level of the expenditure per man/day as compared with the previous year. Moreover, the Estimate submitted by the Adjutant in the first place is likely to be more realistic than if tied to a rigid victualling rate.

J. R. Allen (Major F.I.D.S.)

Hon. 16.1

I think C.O. has made a good suggestion at X on 49. I appreciate the difficulties of estimating for a camp where attendance cannot be pre-determined and where costs invariably depend on the standard of "chef" obtained. The tin-openers type are expensive but sometimes they are the only ones available. I am sure that the Auditor will appreciate ~~that~~ the difficulties and the desirability of avoiding the introduction of scales etc that, in the event, prove useless.

It should be confirmed that the authorized daily rate is that of a labourer - 2/11 at the moment - for 8 hours only.

L.C.

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Auditor for my further comments

8/26/1/61.

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I agree with HET, at 8/6 per man per day as considered reasonable by Government. A rate per man per day was what I was suggesting not a ration scale.

The General
Auditor

proposed at X after

40 and 40 (but new at 50 10/2/60 - 52 (7/2/61)

21st February, 61.

To: Officer Commanding,
m: The Colonial Secretary,

Falkland Islands Defence
Force,

STANLEY.

F.I.D.F. Training Camps

I am directed to refer to previous correspondence relating to this matter and am to advise you that the cost of victualling trainees during their attendance at Camp has been under consideration and you are authorised to spend up to a maximum of 8/6d per man per day for this account.

2. Regarding payment of wages, I am to confirm that in future the Adjutant should obtain written statements from employers to support the amounts paid in compensation for loss of civil pay. Unemployed, self employed and contract workers should receive the basic pay of 2/11d per hour for each 8 hour day.

(Sgd) H.L. Round.

For COLONIAL SECRETARY

HLB/FH

Copies to: Adjutant, F.I.D.F.
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5th January,

To: Captain R.V. Goss,

From: The Colonial Secretary,

Adjutant, F.I.D.F.,

Stanley.

Camp with Marines

In view of Protector's altered itinerary and the change of Marines ashore it would now appear that our original intention for a Camp about the 21st January will not work. Will you please let me know the latest position it would appear that a Camp sometime between the 4th and 10th February would be preferable for all.

Will you please also discuss with OC Royal Marines instruction in the use of bren guns against aircraft. It may be that raiders could make use of light aircraft against which bren guns might be of some use.

Will you please discuss this when we next meet.

(W.H. THOMPSON)

COLONIAL SECRETARY

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6th January,

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To: Adjutant, Falkland Islands Defence
Force,

From: Colonial Secretary,

STANLEY.

Defence Training.

Will you please let me have for His Excellency a fortnightly
list of attendances at training sessions by name.

(Sd.) W. H. Thompson
COLONIAL SECRETARY.

WHT/TB.

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FIDE TRAINING ATTENDANCE.

22nd January.

Section Attack.

FSM Luxton.

S/Sgt Summers.

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Pte. B.Ford.

" D.Hansen.

" R.Binnie.

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" N.Morrison.

" P.Watts.

" V.Steen.

" C.McDonald.

" S.N.Johnson.

" R.Short.

" D.Tasker.

29th January.

Section in Cover.

FSM Luxton.

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Cpl.Goodwin.

-

D.Hansen.

-

R.Henricksen.

N.Morrison.

P.Watts.

V.Steen.

-

S.N.Johnson.

R.Short.

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ADJUTANT.

2nd February, 1965.

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FALKLAND ISLANDS DEFENCE FORCE.

Stanley.
16th January, 1965.

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He Honourable,
The Colonial Secretary,
STANLEY.

Sir,

Defence Force Activities 1964.

From the 17th April to the 14th December, 1964, we held a total of 21 Parades, Drills and Exercises. Attendance was good considering that from our present total active strength of 35 N.C.O's and members, 6 were on leave overseas during the main Drill Season, 7 are duty-men or watch-keepers, 1 is on the "Philomel", 2 are on the "Darwin", 3 are on contract work in Camp, and 3 have just been recalled to our Active Strength.

Training with Royal Marines.

4th December, 1964 Rifle and Bayonet Drill. (17 attended)

6th December, 1964 Exercise with Royal Marines in R.N. W/T and Murrel River area. The Marine Detachment landed at "Strike-off" Point, in Berkeley Sound, and Camped over-night at Turner's Stream. On the morning of the 6th they proceeded to attack the R.N. W/T Station which was defended by 14 members of the Defence Force accompanied by a four man R.M. Training team. The Exercise was indeed a very useful one. The Defence Force tried out its new Field Sets and Combat Suits. These Suits are proving most useful both from a practical and morale point of view.

14th December, 1964 Bren and Sten Gun instruction in the Drill Hall. (9 attended).

15th January, 1965 Aircraft seating practice at the Hangar. Mr.D.Jones, Aircraft Mechanic, also gave detailed instruction on the use of the Aircraft Rubber Dinghy and Life Jackets. The total flying weight for six men with complete equipment was also checked. Field Training was also carried out. (13 attended).

I have discussed with OC Marines suitable dates for a Camp and we agree that the 27th February to the 7th March would be the most convenient period if this meets with your approval. The later date has, at least, these advantages; peat cutting etc., should be finished and thus more of our members should be free to attend and end of the year pressure on office workers should also have eased; in the interim period more weekly instruction can be held thus allowing more advanced training during the actual Camp period. It is my view, and I am sure you will agree, that we should concentrate on Field Training during the Camp period while the opportunity to do so avails itself. OC Marines has advised me that, subject to confirmation of Supplies Officer, H.M.S. Protector, he will supply all victualling at approximate cost of 5/9d per man per day. This is an excellent gesture, will save me a lot of problems, and will certainly work out very much cheaper.

Relations between FIDF/RM are very good. The whole RM Detachment have been most co-operative and helpful. Our FSM has also spent 4 days out onboard Protector in training. I feel sure training will continue to be interesting and instructive throughout the whole period.

We urgently require a further supply of 3 Pdr (Blank) from Protector as we have only 10 rounds in stock. I have mentioned this to Lt. Gil Dippie.

Yours faithfully,

ADJUTANT.

FIDE TRAINING ATTENDANCE.

4th Dec.

Bayonet and
Rifle Drill

FSM Luxton.
S/Sgt. Summers.
Cpl. Goodwin.
" Peck.
Pte. S. Smith.
" B. Ford.
" W. Coutts.
" R. Betts.
" T. Pettersson.
" S. McAskill.
" D. Hansen.
" R. Binnie.
" R. Henricksen.
" W. Felton.
" N. Morrison.
" P. Watts.
" C. McDonald.

6th Dec.

Field Exercise Bren and
R.N. W/T Station. Sten.

Luxton.
Summers.
Goodwin.
Peck.
-
Ford.
Coutts.
Betts.
-
McAskill.
Hansen.
Binnie.
Henricksen.
-
Morrison.
Watts.
McDonald.

14th Dec.

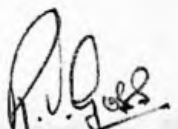
Bren and
Sten.

Luxton.
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Ford.
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Betts.
Pettersson.
-
Hansen.
Binnie.
-
-
Morrison.
Watts.
-
S. Johnson.

15th Jan. 1965.

Aircraft Seating and
Field Training.

Luxton.
-
Goodwin.
Peck.
Retired.
Ford.
-
Betts.
-
-
Hansen.
Binnie.
Henricksen.
-
Morrison.
Watts.
McDonald.
-
R. Short.
D. Tasker.


Adjutant.

FLYING WEIGHTS..

Cpl. P. Peck	230 lbs.	With Rifle and all Equipment.
Pte. D. Hansen	204 "	do
" N. Morrison	220 "	do
" C. McDonald	182 "	do
" R. Binnie	190 "	do
" R. Betts	224 "	With Bren and all Equipment.
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Cpl. N. Goodwin	275 lbs.	With Rifle and all Equipment.
Pte. P. Watts	210 "	do
" R. Henricksen	186 "	do
" B. Ford	198 "	do
" R. Short	245 "	do
" D. Tasker	233 "	With Bren and all Equipment.
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FSM Luxton	202 lbs	With Rifle and all Equipment.
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Pack = 30 lbs, with Bren pouches = 36 lbs.

Rifle = 9 lbs.

Bren = 24 lbs, with spare barrel 30 lbs.

Case of 360 rounds ".303" in chargers = 30 lbs.

F.I.D.F. TRAINING PROGRAMME

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Friday 15th Jan.	Selection of Fire Positions Elementary Field Craft	Football Field
Friday 22nd Jan.	Advance to Contact Section Battle Drills	Football Field
Friday 29th Jan.	Section Battle Drills Keeping Direction	Range Area
Friday 5th Feb.	Individual Stalks	Range Area
Friday 12th Feb.	Section Battle Orders Fire Control Orders	Drill Hall and Football Field
Friday 19th Feb.	Section Attacks	Stanley Common
Friday 26th Feb.	Prepare for Camp	Drill Hall

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have less than 12 on parade for
over this period*

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Officer Commanding,
Royal Marines,
HMS PROTECTOR,
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12th February, 1965.

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The Colonial Secretary,
Port Stanley,

Dear Sir,

F.I.D.F. TRAINING CAMP

1. Enclosed are copies of the proposed training programme and stores lists for the F.I.D.F. Training Camp, 27th February - 7th March.

2. Copies have been sent to the Adjutant F.I.D.F.

Yours faithfully,

P.B. Troy
(P.B. TROY),
Captain RM.

Copy to:

The Adjutant,
Falkland Islands Defence Force,
Port Stanley.

F.I.D.F. CAMP 1965
TRAINING PROGRAMME

SERIAL	DATE	TIME	EVENT	PLACE	REMARKS
1	Sat 27 Feb	PM	F.I. D. F. Assemble	RM Barracks	
2	Sun 28 Feb	0815-1630	Rifle, LMG and SMG Classification	Range	March to Range. Bag Nations
3	Mon 1 Mar	0815-1000	Group Handling	Moody Valley	Battlecraft I
4		1030-1230	Section Handling	" "	Battlecraft II
5		1330-1630	Defensive Positions	" "	Dig Weapon Pit
6		2030-2300	Night Defence Exercise	" "	Live Firing
7	Tue 2 Mar	0815-1630	Field Firing	Canopus Hill	FWD Transport
8	Wed 3 Mar	0815-0930	Prepare Stores for Field Firing	RM Barracks	
9		0930-1230	Move to Drunken Rock Pass and establish camp		Tents
10		1400-1515	Map Reading	Drunken Rock Pass	Lecture
11		1515-1630	The Prismatic Compass	" " "	"
12		2030-2359	Night Compass March	" " "	RM Men Check Points
13	Thur 4 Mar	0815-1000	Patrolling	" " "	Lecture
14		1030-1230	Ambush & Anti Ambush Drills	" " "	
15		1400-1630	Prepare for Night Patrol Ex	" " "	RM Enemy
16		2030-2359	Night Patrol Exercise	" " "	
17	Fri 5 Mar	0830-1230	Strike Camp return to RM Bks		
18		1400-1630	Spare		

19	Sat 6 Mar	0815-1230	Radio Procedure	RM Barracks	88 & 31 Sets
20		1400-1630	Clean & Return Stores	"	
21		1030	RM & F. I.D.F. Party	RM Canteen	
22	Sun 7 Mar	AM	F.I.D.F. Disperse		

P.B. Troy
(P.B. TROY)
Captain RM.

MEMORANDUM.No. 5/65

22nd February, 1965.

Ref: 0838/L.

From: Colonial Secretary,
STANLEY.

To: All Heads of Departments,
STANLEY.

SUBJECT: F.I.D.F. Training Camp.

All F.I.D.F. active role members who are Government servants may be released for the forthcoming training camp without losing any earned leave.

If this ruling causes any difficulty please refer to me by telephone.

W. H. Thompson

COLONIAL SECRETARY.

WHT/TB.

Issued to all
H.O.Ds. today
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MEMORANDUM.22nd February, 1965.

To: The Colonial Secretary,
STANLEY.

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FIDE CAMP (Release of Employees)

Would you please arrange for the release of the following employees from the Departments concerned to attend FIDE/RM Camp. Period 27th February - 7th March.

F.I.C.

Q. McDonald
 V. Steen
 L.M. Robson
 S.N. Johnson
 H. Stewart

GOVERNMENT.

P. Peck	(G.H.)
N. Goodwin	(Harbour)
H. Luxton	(P & T)
P. Watts	do
R. Henriksen	do
R. Binnie	(P & E)
B. Ford	(Printing)
T. Pettersson	do
D. Hansen	(P.W.D.)
R. Short	(Harbour)

[Signature]
ADJUTANT.

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FIDE TRAINING ATTENDANCE.

5 February.

Stalking & Entering
Guarded Positions.

FSM Luxton.

S/Sgt. Summers.

Cpl. Peck.

Pte. B.Ford.

" D.Hansen.

" R.Binnie.

" R.Henricksen.

" N.Morrison.

" P.Watts.

" V.Steen.

" H.Stewart.

" O.McDonald.

" S.N.Johnson.

" R.Short.

12th February.

Firing, LMG
SMG & Rifle.

FSM Luxton.

S/Sgt. Summers.

Cpl. Peck.

Pte. B.Ford.

" D.Hansen.

" R.Binnie.

" R.Henricksen.

" N.Morrison.

" L.M.Robson.

" P.Watts.

" V.Steen.

" H.Stewart.

" C.McDonald.

" S.N.Johnson.

" R.Short.

16th February.

Night Firing on
Rifle Range.

FSM Luxton.

S/Sgt. Summers.

Cpl. Goodwin.

" Peck.

Pte. B.Ford.

" D.Hansen.

" R.Henricksen.

" N.Morrison.

" L.M.Robson.

" P.Watts.

" V.Steen.

" H.Stewart.

" C.McDonald.

" S.N.Johnson.

" R.Short.

19th February.

Firing on Rifle Range.

FSM Luxton.

S/Sgt. Summers.

Cpl. Peck.

Pte. D.Hansen.

" R.Henricksen.

" N.Morrison.


" V.Steen.

" C.McDonald.

" S.N.Johnson.

" R.Short.

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ADJUTANT.

22nd February, 1965.

23rd February,

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Dear Sir,

As you know the Falkland Islands Defence Force Camp will be held between the 27th February and 7th March.

The Adjutant, of the Defence Force hopes you will be able to release the following of your employees:

C. McDonald
V. Steen
L. M. Robson
S. N. Johnson
H. Stewart.

Yours faithfully,

(Sgd.) W. H. Thompson

for

COLONIAL SECRETARY

The Manager,
Falkland Islands Co. Ltd.,
STANLEY.

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FIDF TRAINING ATTENDANCE.

On the 26th February, S/Major's Blunden (R.M.) and Luxton paraded at the Drill Hall with a few willing helpers and prepared all arms, equipment etc., in readiness for the Training Camp with the Royal Marines Detachment.

The Training Camp period was from the 27th February - 7th March, and a comprehensive programme was carried out in an effective manner, especially so when taking into account the short period available coupled with the fact that it was our younger members who attended with little or no idea of working in the field let alone the application of Field Tactics. The Training Programme applied has been previously submitted. Captain Troy promised me an official report on the completion of the programme but I have not received this and am unaware of his official conclusions at the moment. However, FSM Luxton is quite impressed and he feels that considerable knowledge has been gained and much credit is due to S/M Blunden, who was in charge of the practical side, for his ability to urge all to do their utmost in a most efficient but friendly manner. From what I saw and heard of the training I support our FSM's view. I feel it all to be very much worth-while and that the Defence Force has been given a boost at a most opportune moment considering the circumstances with which it could be faced.

FIDF members attending were, FSM Luxton, Cpl.P.Peck, Pte's Doug Hansen, N.Morrison, S.N.Johnson, P.Watts, R.Binnie, R.Henricksen, H.Stewart, Riley Short, V.Steen, and B.Ford. Pte D.Hansen was promoted to Corporal during the period. With the exception of the FSM and Cpl.Peck Defence Force personnel slept under canvas.

His Excellency the Governor viewed training in progress and also visited the Camp. The Colonial Secretary (Force Commandant) and myself also watched certain training exercises and visited the Camp periodically.

Supplies Officer, H.M.S.Protector, has advised me that charges for victualling, as supplied by R.M.Detachment, will be submitted to us by the Admiralty in due course.

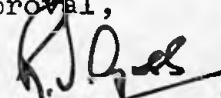
12th March.
L.M.G.

FSM Luxton.	Pte.V.Steen.
Cpl. D.Hansen.	" S.N.Johnson.
Pte. R.Binnie.	" C.McDonald.
" R.Henricksen.	
" N.Morrison.	

19th March.
No.4 Rifle.

FSM Luxton.
Pte.B.Ford.
" R.Binnie.
" R.Henricksen.
" V.Steen.
" C.McDonald.

I feel a short break in training is now necessary and intend to suspend further activities until mid-April just prior to the Queen's Birthday Parade. Trusting your approval,


ADJUTANT.

22nd March, 1965.

To Commandant, FIDF.

Approved
SI

Messages sent to Lt Goss
26.3.65

Ror

10th June,

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Dear Sir,

Increase in the strength of the Falkland Islands Defence Force and training sessions in Camp.

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I attach a copy of a letter which I have sent out to all Camp Managers. I hope you will be able to include this item in the agenda for the Association meeting. I feel that further explanation might be required.

Yours faithfully,

(W.H. THOMPSON)

COLONIAL SECRETARY

The Secretary,
Sheep Owners' Association,
STANLEY.

LS

Reply 21/65

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C I R C U L A R

Ref: 0838/L

10th June, 1965

From: The Colonial Secretary,
Stanley.

To: All Farm Managers,

Dear Sir,

As you know we are trying to increase the strength of the Falkland Islands Defence Force and we are particularly interested in getting more Camp members.

Although we do not want to cause any alarm and despondency we think that with poachers about and the possibility of small bands of undesirables looking in from the outside it would be a wise thing if we had a few trained scouts and people on call.

Captain Benrose, the Officer-in-Charge of the Royal Marine contingent, has very kindly made available a very small training team or two or three NCO's to come out to Camp, and it is hoped with your co-operation, to organise two Camp training sessions perhaps at Goose Green and Chartres.

We have not yet obtained permission of the Managers concerned but subject to their agreement we would like to go ahead.

The aim is to get 20 Camp members of the Falkland Islands Defence Force on both the East Falklands and the West Falklands. If you can encourage or persuade any of the staff of your station to attend these training "Camps", it should be possible to organise some very worthwhile and interesting training.

I hope the training groups will start on Monday July 12th, but you will be notified of this in more detail by R/T and over Stanley Radio.

It is also planned to send a small two man training team out to each Camp station before lambing starts as part of the follow up to the main training.

Yours sincerely

William G. Brown
COLONIAL SECRETARY

Copies to R.V. Goss

Captain Benrose

The Falkland Islands Sheepowners Association,

(LOCAL COMMITTEE)

STANLEY, FALKLAND ISLANDS.

15th June, 1965.

Dear Sir,

Increase in the strength of the Falkland Islands
Defence Force and training sessions in Camp.

66 I have to acknowledge receipt of your letter under
reference 0838/L dated 10th inst.

This item will certainly be included in the Agenda
for the Annual General Meeting of this Association.

Yours faithfully,

Bo Barnes.

SECRETARY.

The Colonial Secretary,

The Secretariat,

STANLEY.

BOB.



68/1
Port. Louis.
15 June 1965

Dear Sir.

With reference to your letter of the 16 June 1965, Def. 0838/L As to the Falkland Islands Defence Force. I have had a talk with the men. but so far there is only one man interested so far.

Name

Mr.D.D.Phillips. Born Falkland Islands.
Age. 20.years 10 months

Yours faithfully

L Grant
Manager.



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Speedwell Isl.
Falklands Isl
15th June 1965.

Dear Sir,

67 In answer to your circular
dated 10th June 1965.

I have one man here that wants
to join the Falklands Islands Defence Force.
He is John Brian Clifton age 18 on the 6th July.

Terry C Clifton was wanting to join but
he gets Asthma at times, it gets so bad
that he can't work some days.

Terry's age is 20.

Yours faithfully
A. Davis
Section Manager

Colonial Secretary,
Stanley.

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R.B. Napier,
West Point Island,
Falkland Islands,
15th June 1965.



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Dear Sir,

67 Thank you for your letter of 10th June 1965 in which you ask if it would be possible for some of the staff on this station to attend a training Camp at Chartres.

At the present moment I have only one employee and he is 60 years of age, I am however hoping to obtain another in the near future, it would however seem unlikely ~~that~~ to be in time for him to attend the Camp.

I realize of course that the question of poachers and the possibility of the others looking in from outside is a serious matter, and am of course willing to help in anyway ~~you~~ you may suggest.

Yours sincerely,

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

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Roy Cove,
West Falklands.

June 16th, 1965.

Hon. W.H. Thompson,
Stanley.

Dear Mr Thompson,

67 Many thanks for your reply dated 10th June.

I would agree that all reports that you have had to date on the matter of searchlights or just lights have been on the vague side, but rather less so was the detailed story from Port San Carlos where they found human prints on the beach and direct evidence of sheep-crowding at the water's edge; sheep could only have been forced down there with a view to selecting mutton - hardly for a flashlight photograph.

With regard to the weekly news letters - that last Friday by Michael Hodgekinson was a splendid effort with much of interest and I note that he did refer to our 'poachers' quite lucidly.

I have received the Government circular re the idea of training some 'camp' personnel at Chartres and Darwin.

I am sorry but I do not view it with very much favour. We are extremely busy this winter and very short of labour with 3 away on holiday (two of them to U.K. until next October). I would not like any chaps to be away at Chartres for a couple of weeks or so. Also who pays their wages? and who pays their board expenses at Chartres? Surely that would require sanction from S.F.C.?

We had such training camps in 1942 & 1943 but that was wartime and the Colony, in so far as ~~much~~ was possible, was on a war footing. However other farmers may think differently and we can see what response you get. I would expect you do not get much though having only just received your letter I have not mentioned the idea to any other farmer and do not propose to do so though I expect I will hear on the local phone when Luxton & Blake get their circulars.

Glad you liked the Hydatid thing but sincerely hope you brush up the grammar etc before printing.

Yours sincerely
Lance Miller

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Chartres
West Falklands
16th June, 1965

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Sir,

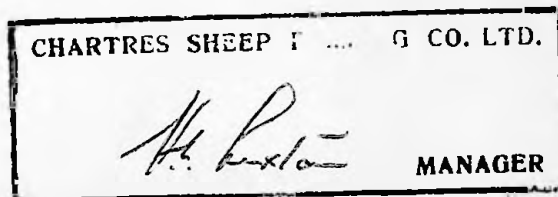
I would refer to your circular of 10th June. As other Managers may have varying views as to the holding of a camp would it not be better for you to discuss the matter with members of S.O.Assc at their meeting in Stanley scheduled to start on 8th July.

I will be away from the Colony and I would prefer the camp not to be held here in the absence of the Assistant Manager - Mr W.R.Luxton - who will be in Stanley for the meetings as will presumably most other Managers.

Certainly hold the camp here at a slightly later date if desired with a follow up in the spring.

I, am Sir

Yours faithfully



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Extract from letter from Manager Port San Carlos to Colonial Secretary
of 16th June, 1965. (Original filed in 1295/III)

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With reference to your circular 0838/L I think it might well be a good idea to organise a training Camp. My head shepherd is a member and was on "out post duty" during the War, so is in everyway an ideal person to undergo a bit of further training: and he is perfectly willing to go. I would also like one of my Cape Dolphin shepherds to attend as the Cape is along way from the Settlement $5\frac{1}{2}$ hours ride in fact and apart from the sometimes efficient telephone completely isolated. As I see it the obvious men to have training are the outside shepherds all round the Camp coastline.

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HILL COVE,
FALKLAND ISLANDS

CABLES: "BLAKE FOXBAY"

21st June 1965



The Honourable
The Colonial Secretary
Stanley

Dear Sir

67 With reference to your circular 0838/L dated 10th June, five of our employees would like to volunteer for the Defence Force. They include our foreman and head shepherd; and it would hardly be possible for us to spare both of them at once to attend a training camp, particularly as I shall be in Stanley myself for the S.O.A. meeting in July and leave for the U.K. by August Darwin. Mr L.G.Blake, who succeeds me as manager, does not arrive back until mid-September.

Yours faithfully


Manager

Blake



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Manager

Garcass Island

Colonial Secretary
Stanley

23 June 1965

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Dear Sir

67
With reference to your circular regarding recruits for the Defence Force, I have spoken to my two employees about it. James Peck is over 64 and does not feel able to undergo ~~xxxxxx~~ training but would be prepared to work a W/T from Garcass. He is a reservist. William Macbeth does not see how he would have time to train as he has an island of his own as well as working for us

Yours faithfully

Robertson

GIBRALTAR STATION

(SHEEP FARMING)

TELEGRAMS

"GIBSTAY PORTSTANLEY"

OUR REF.

YOUR REF. 0838/L.



PORT SAN SALVADOR
FALKLAND ISLANDS, 1817
SOUTH ATLANTIC.

29th June 1965

The Colonial Secretary,
STANLEY.

Dear Sir,

I refer to your circular of the 10th June regarding your plans for improving and strengthening the Defence Force. These plans certainly have my approval as I feel they are justified by the current strange and interesting activity in and around the Falklands.

Two of my employees, namely Donald Henry McLeod and Erling Kenny, have volunteered to attend the training camps and are keen to go.

In connection with the scheme, the following queries occur to me:

1. How long will the first session last?
2. Is the training planned to be quite stiff and intensive? I hope it is as there is an idea, at least on this farm, that it will be something of a Butlin's Holiday Camp in miniature!
3. I presume that we employers are expected to pay wages in full to those of our staff who volunteer for the training and I have no objection at all to this provided that the sessions are not prolonged or wasted.
4. Who will arrange and provide transport to and from the camps?
5. What sort of kit should volunteers take with them? Will bedding be provided?

I look forward, with interest, to your reply and wish you every success with the scheme.

Yours faithfully,

R. M. PITALUGA & COMPANY;

MANAGER.

JAMES LOVEGROVE WALDRON.
LIMITED.

Telegraphic Address:
HOWARD. FOXBAY, FALKLANDS.
BENTLEY'S CODE USED.



July 6th. 1965.

The Colonial Secretary,
Stanley.

Dear Sir,

Reference your circular letter of 22nd. March, I have had no applications for your proposed booklet.

Reference your circular ⁶⁷0838/L, we have no one here wishing to join the Defence Force. —

Yours faithfully,

JAMES LOVEGROVE WALDRON LTD.

M. P. Evans. FALKLAND MANAGER.

James Watson 7 Dean St.

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~~William Blackley~~

J. E. Whitney

61 FITZROY ROAD

W. Duncan

3 Fitzroy Road East.

G & M^d Lect Darwin.

8 Brisbane Road

R. L. Robson,

~~John~~

Johnnie

50 John Street

Ex Epl.

P. Kiddle.

9 Veerees

W. P. Shackel.

F. L. Smith

11 Allardgate

Ex Epl.

C. Jacobsen.

Dumas Street

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DECODE.

No. 208.

TELEGRAM.

From Manager, Roy Cove.

To Colonial Secretary, Stanley

Despatched . 15th July, 19 65 Time : 1.540

Received : 19 Time :

Will have three men available any time after
1st August.

Roy Cove

P/L : LS

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DECODE.

TELEGRAM.

From Manager, Fox Bay West

To Colonial Secretary, Stanley

Despatched : 15th July, 19 65 Time :

Received : 19 Time :

'Phoned.

Will have nine men available.

Manager

P/L - IS

DECODE.

TELEGRAM.

From Manager, Port Stephens

To Colonial Secretary, Stanley

Despatched : 15th July, 19 65 Time :

Received : 19 Time :

'Phoned.

12 men interested.

Manager

P/L : IS

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DECODE.

No. 200.

TELEGRAM.

From Mr. Clement, Fox Bay.

To Colonial Secretary, Stanley.

Despatched : 19th July, 19 65 *Time* : 1600

Received : 19 *Time* :

8 men for enrolment Defence Force

Clement

P/L : LS

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12th April,

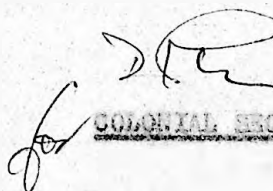
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Dear Sir,

The Annual Falkland Islands Defense Force Training Camp will be held from Saturday afternoon the 23rd April to the 1st May.

His Excellency the Governor authorizes the release on pay of all Government employees concerned.

Yours Faithfully,


COLONIAL SECRETARY.

The Superintendent of Works,
The Superintendent of Posts and Tels.,
The Superintendent, Power and Electrical Dept.,
STANLEY.

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12th April,

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Dear Sir,

The Annual Falkland Islands Defence Force Training Camp will be held from Saturday afternoon the 23rd April to the 1st May.

His Excellency the Governor hopes you will be able to release those of your employees who are members of the Force.

Yours faithfully,

Sgd. S. E. M.
for COLONIAL SECRETARY.

The Colonial Manager,
Falkland Islands Co. Ltd.,
STANLEY.

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Re See 85

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TELEGRAMS "FLEETWING PORTS STANLEY" VIA RADIO.

WHY/SRP

Stanley,

18th April, 1966

The Colonial Secretary,
STANLEY.

Dear Sir,

With reference to your letter of 12th April, reference 0838/L, our Heads of Departments have been advised that as far as practicable any employee wishing to attend the annual training camp of the Falkland Islands Defence Force shall be released.

Yours faithfully,

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Manager.

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FALKLAND ISLANDS DEFENCE FORCE

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REPORT ON TRAINING CARRIED OUT BY THE 1st MAY and 22nd MAY 1966

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b. LMC revision
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In addition to the above classes two periods have been held for those ranks who are considered capable of instructing in basic skills. Subjects covered :

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9th - 16th ROY COVE
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22nd - 27th CHARTERS.

The team has been instructed to limit their training to the following basic points.

Safety and care of weapons
Marksmanship
Fire and movement
Defence of the area.

It is intended to start another team off in the East Falkland on or about the 27th May.

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(I.C. MARTIN)
Captain, Royal Marines.

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ANNEX TO REPORT
ON TRAINING,
APRIL 1966.

RANKS ATTENDING THE ANNUAL CAMP OF THE DEFENCE FORCE

Second Lieutenant	P.G. SUMMERS.
Sergeant Major	H.T. LUXTON.
Corporal	D.J. HANSEN.
Corporal	R. BINNIE.
Private	A.A. ALAZIA.
Private	B. BETTS.
Private	B. FORD.
Private	R. HENRICHSEN
Private	B. MORRISON
Private	N. MORRISON.
Private	T. HENRICHSEN
Private	T. HANSEN
Private	G. DICKSON

- Notes :
1. Private DICKSON had to leave the camp Tuesday 26th April because of personal affairs.
 2. Private T. HANSEN was unable to arrive until Tuesday 26th April.
 3. Private N. MORRISON had to leave on Thursday 28th April because of work commitments.

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REPORT ON THE DEFENCE FORCE TRAINING - APRIL 1966.

1. General. The Royal Marines training team was able to devote most of its time to the affairs of the Defence Force, having completed its initial settling in period.
2. Stanley Contingent. On the 23rd April the annual camp for the Contingent commenced at the Old Wireless Station at the head of the bay. The seven days that followed were taken up with individual and section battlecrafts as noted on the programme already circulated.
3. Numbers attending the camp were small and this was in some ways an advantage as those who did attend were given a considerable amount of individual tuition which could not otherwise have been possible. A list of names of those who attended is attached at Annex.
4. Continuation training for the Stanley contingent has been arranged and will start on the 9th May and will continue to take place on Thursday evenings until further notice.
5. The standard of training of those who have so far attended training sessions has not been very high but it is apparent that a certain amount of knowledge is present and all seem keen to learn.
6. Farm Training. The OCRM flew to Chartres in the first half of April to discuss the problems of training in the Camp. Out of these discussions it became apparent that the farm Managers are very willing to be helpful and have no objection to training taking place in the winter months. A programme of visits has been arranged and will commence on the 9th May at Roy Cove.
7. The teams visiting the farms will carry their sleeping bags with them and will either take their own rations with them or will pay up to seven shillings and twopence per day into the cookhouse account of each farm according to the wishes of the Manager. Each team will consist of two men (One Corporal and one Marine) and the OCRM will from time to time accompany the teams.
8. It is planned to visit each farm by the end of August and the men holding rifles in each location will then know how to handle their weapons and will be able to show some resistance in the event of an attack on their homes.

I.C. Martin
(I.C. MARTIN)
Captain RM.

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STANLEY,
21st May, 1966.

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The Adjutant,
Falkland Islands Defence Force,
STANLEY.

Dear Sir,

I wish to submit the following report on our recent Training Camp.

The Camp was held from Saturday 23rd till Saturday 30th April, 1966 and was most successful.

In all 43 members were present and training instruction was given by Capt. Martin, R.M. and his training team.

The following is a list of some of the items of training covered:-

- Testing of weapons.
- Fire Command orders.
- R/T Procedure.
- Sentry instruction, with a demonstration by R.M.
- Section attacks.
- Section attacks, using live ammunition and with both sections working as one section.
- Firing of the 3.5. Rocket Launcher and 2" Mortar.
- Ears & Eyes test at night.
- Various types of patrolling.
- The Camp concluded with exercise 'Trapper' lasting 2 full days and nights. This exercise was held in the Two Sister & Murrell area with the R.M. acting as enemy. The 2 sections carried out various exercises ~~one of~~ one of which was the formation and operation of O.P.s.

Rations consumed during the whole camp period were of the one man 24 hour ration type with an Artic booster pack. These rations appeared to be enjoyed by all present.

Capt. Martin and his training team are to be thanked for their co-operation during the camp period and all members attending are most grateful to them for a most enjoyable week.

Members attending the camp were:-

2/Lt. Summers, P.G.

F.S.M. Luxton, H.T.

No 1 Section.

Cpl. Hansen, D.J.
Pte. Alazia, A.A.
Pte. Dickson, G. 23rd - 25th.
Pte. Ford, B.
Pte. Hansen, T. 25th - 30th.
Pte. Morrison, N. 23rd - 28th.

No 2 Section.

Cpl. Binnie, R.
Pte. Betts, R.
Pte. Henricksen, R.
Pte. Morrison, B.
Pte. Pettersson, T.

I am,
Sir,
Your obedient servant.

R. J. Summers 2/lt.

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FALKLAND ISLANDS DEFENCE FORCE

REPORT ON TRAINING CARRIED OUT BETWEEN 1st MAY and 22nd MAY 1966

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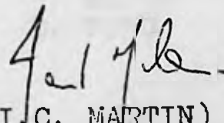
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(I.C. MARTIN)
Captain, Royal Marines.

FALKLAND ISLANDS DEFENCE FORCE.

ROLLS OF RANKS ATTENDING TRAINING 12th and 19th MAY.

1. 12th May.

Second Lieutenant	P. SUMMERS
Sergeant-major	H. LUXTON
Corporal	D.J. HANSEN
Private	A.A. ALAZIA
Private	R. BETTS
Private	B. FORD
Private	T. HANSEN
Private	R. HENRICKSEN
Private	N. MORRISON
Private	C. McDONALD
Private	G. DICKSON

New recruits.

Private	R. DICKSON
Private	B. SUMMERS

Total- 13 ranks

2. 19th May.

Captain	R.V. GOSS
Sergeant-major	H. LUXTON
Corporal	D.J. HANSEN
Private	A.A. ALAZIA
Private	R. BETTS
Private	G. DUNCAN
Private	B. FORD
Private	T. HANSEN
Private	R. HENRICKSEN
Private	N. MORRISON
Private	S.F. SMITH
Private	L.L. HIRTLE
Private	R. DICKSON
Private	B. SUMMERS
Private	V. BERNTSEN

Total- 15 ranks

3. JNCOs Cadre consists of :

Sergeant-major	H. LUXTON
Corporal	D.J. HANSEN
Private	R. BETTS
Private	B. FORD

FALKLAND ISLANDS DEFENCE FORCE.

Amendment to the Annex to Training report of
1st May to 22nd May.

Under the heading of 19th May in the list of
Privates attending training insert :

Private

B. MORRISON

Total numbers for this day now read 16 ranks.

23rd May 1966.

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(I. C. MARTIN)
Captain RM.

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REPORT ON DEFENCE FORCE TRAINING - 22nd MAY to 3rd JUNE.

1. General. The first week of this period was May Ball week which may account for the reduced numbers attending training on the 26th May. Training has continued on the lines laid down in the last report.
2. Stanley Contingent. Two drill periods were held in the period and were attended by ranks as detailed in the attached Annex.
3. The following subjects were covered :
 - PHCOs Cadre. Instructional practice.
 - Trained Soldiers and Recruits classes:
 - 3.5 Rocket Launcher
 - 2" Mortar
 - Map Reading.
 - How Things are Seen (film)
4. In addition to the above training a certain amount of drill training is carried out each week with the aim of improving the posture and slickness of the movements.
5. Camp Training. One team returned from West Falkland at the end of May and was of the opinion that many of last years volunteers had lost interest in training. This may be because of the methods of the last detachment who were over fond of making their bush around and jump into streams etc as well as imparting knowledge of military skills.
6. One team is at present on tour in the East Island and plans to visit:
 - DOUGLAS STATION
 - TEAL INLET.
7. An up to date register of weapons held in the Camp is now being made and will be completed at the end of the winter.

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(J.S. MARTIN)
Captain, Royal Marines.

MEMBERS ATTENDING TRAINING IN STANLEY HALL, S.W.

1. Thursday 26th May.

Second Lieutenant	E.J. BULLERS
Sergeant Major	H. DIXON
Corporal	D.J. HANSEN
Private	A.A. ADAMS
"	B. FORD
"	R. HARRISON
"	N. MORRISON
"	R. DICKSON
"	B. SUMMERS
"	V. BURNETT

TOTAL 10 Banks

2. Thursday 2nd June.

Sergeant Major	H. DIXON
Corporal	D.J. HANSEN
Private	A.A. ADAMS
"	R. DITTS
"	B. FORD
"	N. MORRISON
"	B. MORRISON
"	T. PATTISON
"	S.F. SMITH
"	R. DICKSON
"	B. SUMMERS
"	V. BURNETT

TOTAL 12 Banks

FALKLAND ISLANDS - SIGHTING REPORTS

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20th June 1966

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(I. C. MARTIN)
Captain, Royal Marines.



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FALKLAND ISLANDS DEFENCE FORCE.

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"	B. FORD
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"	N. MORRISON
"	W. WILLIAMS
"	R. DICKSON
"	B. SUMMERS

Total 10 ranks.

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As for the 9th June less :

Private	B. FORD
"	R. HENRICKSEN

Ranks Attending Training on Thursday 23rd June were :

As for Training on 9th June.

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(I.C. MARTIN)
Captain, Royal Marines.

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18th April	Russian Whalers	Sedge Island
26th April	Aircraft	New Island
27th April	Aircraft	Kepple Island Pebble Island Port Howard North Arm Speedwell Island

20th June 1966

A.C. Martin
(I.C. MARTIN)
Captain, Royal Marines.

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(I.C. MARTIN)
Captain, Royal Marines.

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FALKLAND ISLAND DEFENCE FORCE

TRAINING REPORT FOR PERIOD 1st TO 31st JULY 1966.

1. GENERAL. Training has continued along the lines laid down in previous reports. The regular members of the Stanley Force, numbering about twelve are now reaching the end of this phase of training and it is intended to hold drills at the weekends to put into practice the lessons learnt so far. In the Camp the Farm Training has continued as before and about half the Farms have now been visited. A list of these is enclosed below.

2. FARM TRAINING. Mr Clement, the Manager at Fox Bay East has stated that he cannot allow men time off for training and it is suggested that rifles issued to this station should be withdrawn as no training took place there last year either.

3. Stanley Contingent. The following names attended training during the period:

Thursday, 7th July.

Corporal D. J. HANSEN

Private A.A. ALAZIA	
" R. BETTS	
" B. FORD	
" B. MORRISON	
" E. WILLIAMS	
" R. DICKSON	
" B. BURNERS	
" V. BERNSTEIN	
" F. FORD	(New Recruit)

Thursday, 14th July.

Sergeant Major H. LUXTON	
Corporal W. A. H. GOOD IN	
Corporal D. J. HANSEN	
Private A.A. ALAZIA	Private E. WILLIAMS
" R. BETTS	" R. DICKSON
" B. FORD	" B. BURNERS
" R. HENRICKSEN	" V. BERNSTEIN
" H. MORRISON	" F. FORD
" S.F. SMITH	

Thursday, 21st July.

Sergeant Major H. LUXTON	
Corporal W.A.H. GOOD IN	
Private A.A. ALAZIA	Private B. BURNERS
" B. FORD	" V. BERNSTEIN
" R. DICKSON	" F. FORD

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(W.C. MARTIN)
Captain, RM.

FARM STATIONS VISITED AND NUMBERS TRAINED

	<u>STATION</u>	<u>NUMBERS</u>
1.	BOY COVE	4
2.	HILL COVE	4.
3.	CHARTERS	3
4.	DOUGLAS STATION	13
5.	TRAIL INLET	4
6.	FORT STEPHENS	10
7.	NEW ISLAND	3
8.	PEBBLE ISLAND	8
9.	WEDDELL ISLAND; FOX BAY FENT	Team now visiting.

MEMORANDUM

From: OCRM

To: Colonial
Secretary.

Date: 30 Nov 66

F.I.D.F.Private K. Summers.

1. I have spoken to Jock Tait on the subject of Summers remaining on the active list of the Defence Force when he goes to the Camber in December.
2. It appears that there is nothing in regulations to stop him from continuing as a member of the Force but he is not supposed to leave the Camber except on business.
3. It would therefore seem that, even if he remained on the Active List he would be unavailable for five years. In an emergency he would not be available unless trouble started on the N. side of the harbour.

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Copy to Adjutant, Defence Force

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To : Admiral Youngsfield

From : Naval Party 8901

Info : Governor Falklands ✓
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1. Nil

2. Nil

3. FIDE Training suspended one month to allow
ranks carry out personal administration.
Detachment preparing for arrival of PROTECTOR.

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FALKLAND ISLANDS DEFENCE FORCE.

RECRUITS BLOCK TRAINING PROGRAMME.

INTRODUCTION.

1. This programme ^{regular} is not designed to turn members of the Defence Force into soldiers but to give them a basic knowledge of military matters which will be essential to them if they are called out in case of emergency.

2. If compulsory service is eventually decided upon this course could be given to recruits who would then be able to take part in simple operations of an internal security nature. Following the course three field days every year ^{defence.} would suffice to keep them up to date.

PROGRAMME.

PHASE I. (INDIVIDUAL TRAINING)

	Evening Instruction	Weekend Instruction
1. .303 Rifle.		
(a) Acquaint		
(b) Cleaning and maintenance		
(c) Aiming, Holding and Firing	2hrs	3hrs
2. .303 Light Machine Gun		
(a) Stripping, Cleaning and Assembling		
(b) Load, Unload, Make Safe		
(c) IAs and Stoppages	4hrs	2hrs
3. Fieldcraft		
(a) Use of cover and fire positions		
(b) Movement	2hrs	
4. Sentry and Challenging Procedure	1hr	
5. Drill	2hrs	

PHASE II (SECTION TRAINING)

6. Battlecraft.		
(a) Section Formations and signs		
(b) Fire Control		
(c) Fire and Movement		
(d) Section Battle Drills	6hrs	3hrs
7. Patrolling	2hrs	2hrs
8. Internal security		
(a) Cordons and Sweeps		
(b) OP Work		
(c) Ambush and anti ambush Drills	4hrs	3hrs
TOTALS	23hrs	13hrs

CONCLUSION.

The evening instruction will fit into twelve drill periods. The weekend instruction can be completed in four weekends, including the annual range course for all ranks.

5/12/66

Dear Dick,

I cannot remember whether you
have seen this. Do you approve?

Wm.

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Yes, but we should not wait
one or more months to make it effective.

This should be done by continued
training of, say, a fortnight in
the first quarter of '67

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FALKLAND ISLANDS DEFENCE FORCE

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EXERCISE, SATURDAY, 25th FEB 67.

AIM

1. To exercise the Defence Force in the use of the drills learnt during the period under Proclamation.

FORM.

2. The exercise will take the form of live firing section and troop attacks.

MAPS.

3. Stanley area. CANOPUS to the lighthouse.

DETAIL

4. Timings. Parade at Drill Hall - 0830 hrs
Secure - 1700 hrs
5. Dress. Combat Suit/Battledress, Boots and Anklets, Berets, Belt, Front pouches and Yoke. Packed lunch and flask to be carried.
6. Weapons. a. Personal weapons to be carried. (Note - RMs to provide outlying weapons, section commanders to return them)
b. Armourer to provide all extra Bren guns and six spare rifles.
7. Ammunition. Quartermaster to provide, by 0800 hrs, 10,00 rds ammo, all out of old stocks.
8. Responsibilities. The following duties are to be carried out both prior to and during the exercise.
 - a. Public Warning Notices - Adjutant, FIDF.
 - b. Notification of lighthouse - Adjutant, FIDF.
 - c. Transport - Adjutant, FIDF.
 - d. Ammunition - QM
 - e. Targets and Instructors - OCRM.
 - f. Range Safety - OCRM.
 - g. Hot Water and Cleaning Gear on completion - QM.
9. All queries on the training to OCRM. Administration queries to Adjutant Defence Force.

Distribution :-

HE -	- 1
Colonial Secretary	- 1
OCRM	- 2
Adjutant, Defence Force	- 3
Total	- 12.

(I.C. MARTIN) Captain, RM.
Training Officer.

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Colonial Secretary 102
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TRAINING PROGRAMME FOR FIDE ANNUAL CAMP

SERIAL	DATE	TIME	EVENT	LOCATION	RESPONSIBLE	REMARKS
1	11th February Sunday	1500	Fall In	FIDE Hall	Adjutant FIDE	Marching Order
2		1530	Move to Camp by March Route		OCRM	
3		1730	Opening Address	Camp Area	OCRM	
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4	12th February Monday	0830	Parade	Camp Area	OCRM	Transport by Hovercraft 1400 return 1615. Fighting order. Completion by 2300.
5		0845	Revise basic weapon handling	Camp Area	Sgt Rockey	
6		1030	Check fire all weapons	Range	Sgt Rockey	
7		1400	Fire control orders	Canopus	OCRM	
8.		2130	Dry and live section attacks Night stalking exercise	Canopus Moody Valley	OCRM OCRM	
9	13th February Tuesday	0830	Parade and PT	Camp Area	OCRM	Request CO 8902 make cinema available. FIDE Officer/SNCO to Command
10		0900	Lecture 'Observation and Concealment'	Camp Area	OCRM	
11		1030	Lecture 'Patrols' and Film	Moody Brook	Sgt Rockey	
12		1400	Day stalk exercise	Moody Valley	Sgt Rockey	
13		2100	Night Patrol exercise	Volunteer Beach	OCRM	
14	14th February Wednesday	0830	Parade and weapon inspection	Camp Area	OCRM	Transport by Hovercraft 0900 return 1200
15		0900	Street fighting and House Clearing	Mons Star Area	Sgt Rockey	
16		1030	Spare	Mons Star Area		
17		1400	Sport	Detail Later		
18	15th February Thursday	0830	Parade and PT	Camp Area	OCRM	Details later.
19		0900	Lecture 'Ambushing'	Moody Valley	Sgt Rockey	
20			Lecture 'OP's'	Moody Valley	Cpl Brown	
21		1030	Practical both	Moody Valley	Sgt Rockey	
22		1400	Briefing for Final Exercise and preparation	Camp Area	OCRM	
		1630	Final Exercise starts			

SERIAL	DATE	TIME	EVENT	LOCATION	RESPONSIBLE	REMARKS
	16th February Friday		Final Exercise			
	17th February Saturday	1200	Final Exercise ends			
23		1400	Clean up Camp Area		Sgt Rockey	
24		1530	Camp disperses			
25		2030	Camp Party	Defence Club		As required

G.D.B. Keelan

(G.D.B. KEELAN)
Captain, Royal Marines

7th February, 68.

To: Colonial Treasurer,

From: The Colonial Secretary.

Supt. Posts & Telecommunications

STANLEY.

F.I.D.F. Summer Camp

Members of the Force employed by Government may, subject to the usual exigencies of the Service, be released for the Camp without loss of pay or leave.

Government Printer,
Officer-in-Charge Police,
Superintendent Public Works,
Superintendent Power & Electrical.

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(W. H. THOMPSON)
COLONIAL SECRETARY

7th February

Dear Sirs,

F.I.D.F. Summer Camp

Once again I ask for your co-operation in releasing members of the Defence Force for the Camp which is to take place from the 11th to 17th of this month.

Government is releasing its own employees without loss of pay.

Yours faithfully,

(W. H. THOMPSON)
COLONIAL SECRETARY

The Manager,
Falkland Islands Co. Ltd.,
STANLEY.

Mr. R. W. Hills,
STANLEY.

Mr. J. R. Rowlands,
STANLEY.

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The Falkland Islands Company, Limited.



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9 February

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The Colonial Secretary,
Secretariat,
STANLEY.

Dear Sir,

F.I.D.F. Summer Camp

With reference to your letter 0838/L of the 7th instant, the Falkland Islands Company is of course prepared to release its employees who are members of the Defence Force for the Summer Camp without loss of salary.

Yours faithfully,

COLONIAL MANAGER

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