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No. 88/43.

H.M. Consul-General

SUBJECT.

19 43.

19th May.

Previous Paper.

APPLICATION FROM MR. A. KENNEDY  
TO TAKE UP WAR WORK IN THE  
FALKLAND ISLANDS.

MINUTES.

1. Letter from H.M. Consul-General, Buenos Aires, of 19. 5. 43.
2. " No " " " " " 18. 6. 43.

Subsequent Paper.

BY SAFE HAND

Ref.No.7066

BRITISH CONSULATE-GENERAL,

BUENOS AIRES.



19th May, 1943.

I have the honour to transmit herewith copy of a self-explanatory letter dated 8th instant which was addressed by the San Julian Sheep Farming Company to the British Vice-Consul in San Julian, in regard to Mr. Alexander Kennedy who is desirous of taking up war work in the Falkland Islands. I should be grateful if your Excellency could inform me in due course, whether this offer of service could be entertained and if so, whether Mr. Kennedy should be requested to proceed to Port Stanley forthwith. I attach copy of a letter dated 12th May from the Vice-Consul at San Julian and would mention that the Medical report mentioned therein has been submitted to an examiner on our Medical Board here who has endorsed the paper as under:-  
"On this report I consider Mr. A. Kennedy  
"is fit for manual labour".

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

*H. M. Consul-General*  
H. M. Consul-General,

The Governor,  
Port Stanley,  
Falkland Islands.

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THE SAN JULIAN SHEEP FARMING Co. Ltd.  
Casilla de Correo No. 75

San Julian, 8th March, 1943.

H.M. Vice-Consul,  
San Julian,

Dear Sir,

An employee of this Company, Alexander Kennedy, wishes to apply for war-work in the Falkland Islands for the duration, and I would be grateful if you would enquire whether he would be accepted.

He has registered for National Service but is aged 52, though still of sound health.

He has worked here since 1913, (being in charge of a section for the past 10 years) except for the last war when he served in field artillery and trench mortars. If not needed for local defense he would take on any other work except heavy riding.

He is married with two children, his wife being a Falkland Islander and also willing to do her share. She has relations in Stanley, so the problem of housing does not arise; they will pay their own passages.

This Company guarantees him work again when the war finishes, or earlier if necessary.

Yours faithfully,

pp THE SAN JULIAN SHEEP FARMING Co.Ltd.,

(Signed) A.L. Blake.

By Airmail  
Registered Post.

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British Vice-Consulate,

San Julian. (18)

12th May, 1943.

Sir,

With reference to your despatch No. 16 dated March 16th 1943, I enclose herewith Preliminary Medical Certificate, and at the same time supply you with the answers to your inquiries regarding Mr. and Mrs. A. Kennedy.

- (a) Mrs. Kennedy's mother: Mrs. Ann Elizabeth Martin, Port Stanley. Although the Kennedy's are by no means wealthy, they have sufficient means to enable them to carry on until such time as the government can find employment for them. As already stated in their original application to assist in the War Effort, they are willing, if it is found to be necessary, to defray the cost of their passages to the Falkland Islands.
- (b) Mr. Kennedy has been for a number of years, section manager on a large sheep farm in this district, and he is willing and eager to do any work connected with local defence, except heavy riding.
- (c) The Medical Officer who examined Mr. Kennedy, has informed me that the applicant is capable of carrying out hard manual labour. Mrs. Kennedy and her two children are also in excellent health.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant

Sgd: H. English.

Vice-Consul.

A.F. Marlow, Esq.,  
H.B.M. Consul-General,  
Buenos Aires.

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GOVERNMENT HOUSE,  
STANLEY,  
18th June, 1943.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

Sir,

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I have the honour to refer to your despatch No. 7065 of the 19th May and should be grateful if you would convey to Mr. Kennedy my appreciation of his desire to volunteer for war work in the service of this Government. Mr. Kennedy is, however, over Military age and I regret that there are no suitable vacancies in the civilian posts at the disposal of Government.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

(Sgd.) A. W. CARDINALL  
Governor.

H.M. Consul-General,  
British Consulate-General,  
Buenos Aires,  
ARGENTINE.