

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

Governor's Office.

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From		SUBJECT.
Secretary of State for the Colonies.		HVALEN COMPANY'S WHALING LICENCE Transfer of, to the Hektor Company.
No.	Date	
97	10th Sept., 1915.	

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MINUTES.

Hon Col Sec
For inquiry and report please.

5. 11. 15 *[Signature]*

H. S. / As far as I can gather there is no exact precedent for dealing with this application.

I have had a conversation with Mr. Barlow who went down to Beception Island last season as mag's clerk &c.

I do not recommend that permission be transfer the licence of the Hvaler Co. to the Hektor Co. - so that both licences would stand in the name of the latter be granted without further consideration. It seems to me

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me that what Mr. Ruggie wants can be obtained without any such radical measure, i.e. by instructing Mr. James Wilson who is going down to reception this year that he may allow the "Hvalen" and her catchers to work with the shore factory on the same footing as the "Benguela" and her catchers did last year. The manager of the "Hechoria" could be informed that such instructions had been given when that ship passes through Stanley.

Please see also C.S. 1137/15-

C. A. Lindell,

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Recd to Sec of State
No 146 of 8. Nov 1915.

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FALKLAND ISLANDS.

NO: 97



Downing Street,.

10th September, 1915.

Sir,

~~Mr. N. Bugge to C.O.~~
24th August.

With reference to my despatch No. 88 of 13th August, I have the honour to transmit to you the accompanying copy of a letter from Mr. N. Bugge applying for permission for the transfer of the whaling licence of the Hvalen Company to the Hektor Company.

2. I should be glad to receive your recommendations in the matter and also to learn whether you can trace any precedent for dealing with such an application.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient,

humble servant,

A. Bonar Law

GOVERNOR

W.D. YOUNG, ESQ., C.M.G.

&c. &c. &c.

ENCLOSURE TO DESPATCH

No. 97. OF 10/9/15

COPY.

TOMSBURG.

August 24th 1915.

The Under Secretary of State
Colonial Office,
London, S.W.



Sir,

Hektor & Hvalen Whaling Companies.

We have received the Under Secretary of State's esteemed favour of the 13th instant, from which we note that the Governor of Falkland Islands will be consulted on the question of obtaining permission to use an additional whaler in conjunction with our whaling station at Deception Island, but that we can hold no hope of obtaining such permission.

With regard to section 2 in the letter in which it is intimated that we might apply for a relaxation of the conditions or remove part of the plant which may have become superfluous we beg to say, that on account of the heavy freight and working expenses it will be quite impossible to remove any part of the plant.

Our vessels have to sail for the South in a near future and even if the Governor should grant permission for a third whaler, we are afraid the reply will scarcely arrive in time for us to make arrangement for a third whaler this season.

We are the managers of:

The Hektor Whaling Company operating with:

- (1) the shore station at Deception with the floating factory "Hektor" and two whaling boats.

(2) the floating factory "Benguela" and three whaling boats, and the "Hvalen" whaling Company, operating with:

floating factory "Hvalen" and three whaling-boats.

We hold permission to work "Benguela" and her whalers in conjunction with the shore station at Deception whenever it suits and last year we had to keep one of her whalers at Deception nearly the whole season in order to keep things going.

We would esteem it a great favour if we could have permission to transfer the "Hvalen" license into the "Hektor" Company and obtain permission to work the floating factory "Hvalen" and her Whalers in conjunction with the "Hektor" Company's material at South Shetland. An arrangement like this would help matters at the shore station at Deception to some extent and it would tend to a better utilisation of the carcasses, and by having it all under one Company the administration would be more satisfactory.

Trusting this application will be met with approval.

We are etc.,

(Sd) N. Bugge.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

No. 146

Government House, Stanley.

8th November, 1915.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your despatches, No. 88 of the 15th August, enclosing an application from the Hektor Whaling Company for leave to use a third whaler at Deception Island, South Shetland and No. 97 of the 10th September, enclosing an application for the transfer to the Hektor Company of the whaling licence granted to the Hvalen Company.

2. The application of the Hektor Company for a third whaler for the present season, was considered at a meeting of the Executive Council held on the 1st Instant, when the Council did not see their way to recommend the granting of the same. The Council at the same time considered that should the Company renew their application after the termination of the war, possibly for next year's season, the matter might be further considered. I enclose for your information an extract from the minutes of the Council on the subject.

3. With regard to the application of the Hektor Company, for the transfer to them of the Licence granted to the Hvalen Company, for the floating factory "Hvalen" and three whale catchers, I beg to say I have been unable to find any precedent for any such transfer. I however do not see no objection to a transfer in the present case. The
licence

The Right Honourable

The Secretary of State for the Colonies.

licence has been granted to the Hvalen Company for the current season, and provided the conditions under which the licence has been granted are duly complied with it does not appear to me to be material whether operations are carried on under the directorate of two Companies or under that of one Company provided the single company is in a position to undertake the increased operations.

4. The Hektor Company, of which Mr. Bugge is the representative, bears a good reputation locally, and I have no reason to believe that the transfer of the Hvalen Company's licence to the Hektor Company will be in any way detrimental to the Whale Industry of the Colony.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most Obedient,

humble servant,

Douglas Young
Governor.

Extract from Minutes of Meeting of Executive Council
held on the 1st November, 1915.

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The Governor requested the Council to consider the question of Mr. Bugge's application to employ a third whale catcher in connection with his lease of Deception Island on behalf of the Hektor Whaling Company.

In view of the opinion of the Secretary of State, expressed in the Under-Secretary's letter to Mr. Bugge, dated the 13th August, 1915, the Council were unable to recommend the granting of the right to use a third catcher.

The Council however expressed the hope that on the termination of the war the matter might be further considered, possibly for next year's season.

The Governor concurred.

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