

WHALING (Licences)

(Salvesen & Co.,)

1923

C.S.

No. 748/23

S. of S. No. 63

SUBJECT.

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30th July,

Previous Paper.

SALVESEN AND CO.,

Notify transfer of Whaling Licences

issued for S. Shetlands.

to South Georgia Co Ltd

Also transfer of Lease of Allardyce Harbour, South Georgia.

MINUTES.

S of S. despatch No 63 of 30th July 1923

Encl (1)

PA 7/7/23

Hon Treasurer.

*For info
G.R. B.
Dir/Sec
15 Oct 1923*

Hon:Col:Sec;

Noted.

2. I presume that by the transfer of these Whaling Licences this Company to the South Georgia Co Ltd will be empowered to operate in the South Shetlands under these licences, but they will have no right to employ ~~them~~ the vessels so licensed in taking whales in the territorial waters at South Georgia.

R. Thompson

Colonial Treasurer.

15th October 1923.

Subsequent Paper.

*V.E. Submitted
G.R. B.
Dir/Sec
19 Oct 1923*

Govt. Naturalist & co. The transfer
will not affect the conditions of the
licences.

19 Oct. 23

Magistrate South Shetlands.

To see

G.M.H.

Di/Sec

20 Oct 1923

Hon. Col. Sec.

Noted and returned please.

J.P. Hamilton.

Govt. Naturalist

23/10/23

Minute from Ag. Governor, 1st November, 1923. Encl. (2)

Confidential Despatch from S.O.S. 4th Aug 1923. Encl (2a)

Letter to Ag. Magistrate, So. Sec., 7th Nov. 1923. Encl. (3)

Hon. Treasurer.

Government Naturalist.

To note

G.M.H.

Di/Sec

9 Nov 1923

Govt. Naturalist.

Yours & co. accordingly

Anthony

13/11/23

Hon. Col. Sec,
Noted please.

J. Hamilton
Gov. Naturalist
14/11/23

Y.C.

To send copy to Magistrate
South Georgia?

G.H. 17
D. C. Sec
14 Nov 1923

Please - confidential.

ttttt 14 Nov 23

Confidential Despatch from S. of S.

5 Feb 1924 (14)

Le from Messrs Salween Co. 20 Dec 1923 (14a)

Minute from Ag Governor (15)

Y.C.

Lease has been endorsed as
directed.

G.H. 17
D. C. Sec
16 April 1924

Thank you for despatch please

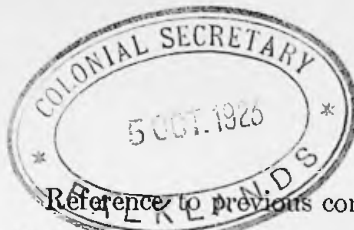
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Confidential Despatch to S. of S. 19 April 1924 (16)

Y.C.

Submitted G.H. 17
D. C. Sec
19 April 1924

Letter from Magistrate S. Georgia
of 18th April 1924 - Encl (7)



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Reference to previous correspondence:-

Secretary of State
(Governor's)

Despatch No. 11 of the
5th February, 1923.
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FALKLAND ISLANDS.

No. 63
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DOWNING STREET,

30th July, 1923.

Sir,

I have the honour to transmit to you the papers noted below on the subject of the transfer to the South Georgia Company Limited of the licences granted to Messrs. Chr. Salvesen and Company to employ two floating factory steamers at the South Shetlands.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient, humble servant,

DEVONSHIRE.

THE OFFICER ADMINISTERING

THE GOVERNMENT OF THE FALKLANDS ISLANDS.

Date.	Description.
1923.	
29th June	From Messrs. Chr Salvesen and Company.
26th July	To dom do do

CHR. SALVESEN & CO.,
29, Bernard Street,
Leith.

29th June, 1923.

Sir,

South Shetland Licences.

We have the honour to inform you that we have offered, subject to your consent, to transfer to the South Georgia Co, Ltd, the licences granted to us to employ two floating factory steamers at the South Shetlands. This offer was to-day accepted at a meeting of the South Georgia Co, Ltd, and we hereby beg to make formal application for your consent to the transfer. As it is being made for purely family reasons, the partners of our firm holding practically all the shares in the limited company, we trust that the Secretary of State will have no difficulty in acceding to our request.

We have, etc.,

(sd) Chr.Salvesen & Co.

The Under Secretary of State,
Colonial Office,
London, S.W.1

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Browning Street,

26 July, 1923.

Gentlemen,

I am directed by the Duke of Devonshire to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 29th June and to inform you that he agrees to the transfer to the South Georgia Company Limited of the licences granted to you to employ two floating factory steamers at the South Shetlands.

I am,

Gentlemen,

Your obedient servant,

(Signed) H. J. READ

MESSRS. CHR. SALYERSEN AND COMPANY



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From His Excellency the Acting Governor

to The Officer-in-Charge of the Secretariat.

For record please.
 The Government Naturalist
 and Government Treasurer to see
 Magistrate South Georgia to be informed
 action can be taken on an open
 minute paper.

[Signature], 1 December 1923

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DUPLICATE

FALKLAND ISLANDS

CONFIDENTIAL

DOWNING STREET,

4 August, 1923.

Sir,

I have the honour to transmit to you a copy of the correspondence noted in the margin from which you will see that I have agreed to the transfer to the South Georgia Company of the lease granted to Messrs Chr. Salvesen and Company of a site at Allardyce Harbour, South Georgia for a whaling station.

2. In coming to my decision I have not overlooked the fact that Messrs Salvesen were required to form a separate Company to work the lease at Allardyce Harbour in view of the statement in the letter from the Colonial Office to the Norwegian Minister of the 16th September, 1908 with regard to the limitation of the number of catchers to be employed by Companies operating at South Georgia. (A copy of that letter was enclosed in the Earl of Crewe's confidential despatch of the 17th September, 1908.) Although it was felt at the time that this statement might be taken as implying that no Company would in future be allowed to use more than two catchers in South Georgia, I do not regard the view then taken as precluding the Government from re-considering its position in changed circumstances and after a long lapse of time; and, as a matter of fact owing to the special conditions arising during the war the Southern Whaling and Sealing Company has been granted a

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THE OFFICER ADMINISTERING
THE GOVERNMENT OF THE
FALKLAND ISLANDS.

Messrs S. & Co.
29 June.
To -do- 25 July.

second lease for South Georgia, and is now entitled to use four catchers in those waters. Also two of the Norwegian Companies - the Sandefjord and Ocean Companies - have been permitted to work jointly, and now operate five catchers under the name of the Vestfold Company.

3. In these circumstances I see no reason for refusing the request of Messrs Salvessa with regard to the transfer of their lease to the South Georgia Company.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient,

humble servant,

(Signed) DEVONSHIRE

Copy

CHR. SALVESEN & COMPANY,
29 Bernard Street,
Leith.

29th June, 1923.

Sir,

South Georgia Whaling Leases.

We have the honour to inform you that we have offered, subject to your consent, to transfer to the South Georgia Company Limited, the lease granted to us in October 1909 of the ground at Allardyce Harbour, Cape Buller, South Georgia. This offer was to-day accepted at a meeting of the South Georgia Company, Limited, and we hereby beg to make formal application for your consent to the transfer. As it is being made for purely family reasons, the partners of our firm holding practically all the shares in the limited company, we trust that the Secretary of State will have no difficulty in acceding to our request.

We have &c.,

(Signed)

Chr. Salvesen & Co.

The Under Secretary of State,

Colonial Office,

London, S.W.1.

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Eds

Downing Street,

25 July 1923.

Gentlemen,

I am directed by the Duke of Devonshire to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 29th June and to inform you that he agrees to the transfer to the South Georgia Company Limited of the lease granted to you in October 1909 of a site at Allardyce Harbour, Cape Buller, South Georgia for a Whaling Station.

I am,

Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant.

(Signed) H. J. READ

MESSRS CHR. SALVESEN AND COMPANY.

Confidential
748/23.

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7th November, 23.

Sir,

I am directed by the Acting Governor to attach herewith a copy of correspondence received from the Secretary of State for the Colonies relating to the transfer to the South Georgia Company of the lease granted to Messrs Chr. Salvesen of a site at Allardyce Harbour, South Georgia for a whaling station.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

G. R. L. Brown.

for Colonial Secretary.

William Barlas, Esq.,
Acting Magistrate,
SOUTH GEORGIA.

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DUPLICATE

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

Confidential.

DOWNING STREET.

5 February, 1924.

Sir,

With reference to my predecessor's Confidential despatch of the 4th August, I have the honour to transmit to you a copy of a letter from Messrs Chr. Salvenson and Company in which they ask that the lease of the site at Allardyce Harbour, South Georgia, may be endorsed as having been transferred to the South Georgia Company.

I request that the lease enclosed herewith and the duplicate in the possession of your Government may be endorsed accordingly. Both copies should then be sent to me for the firms signatures to the endorsement; the date of endorsement being left blank to be filled in at the time of signature.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient,

humble Servant,

(Signed) J. H. THOMAS

THE OFFICER ADMINISTERING
THE GOVERNMENT OF
THE FALKLAND ISLANDS.

COPY.

CHR. SALVESEN & Co.,

29 Bernard Street.

Leith.

20th December, 1923.

Sir,

With reference to your letter dated 25th July agreeing to the transfer to the South Georgia Co., Ltd., of our lease of land at Allardyce Harbour, South Georgia, we have the honour to enclose the original lease and shall be glad if you will arrange to have it endorsed.

Your obedient Servants,

per pro Chr. SALVESEN & Co.,

(Sgd) N.G. SALVESEN.

The Under Secretary of State,

Colonial Office,

London, S.W.1.

From His Excellency the Acting Governor

to The Officer-in-Charge of the Secretariat.

Will you please endorse the leases
for (not the schedules) for my signature :-
Transferred to the South Georgia Company
limited the first day of January 1924

Acting Sec. + C. I. C.

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FALKLAND ISLANDS.

Confidential.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

STANLEY,

19th April, 1924.

Sir,

With reference to your Confidential despatch of the 5th of February, relating to the transfer of the site at Allardyce Harbour, South Georgia, to the South Georgia Company, Limited, I have the honour to forward the original and duplicate copies of the lease, for the signatures of the firms concerned to the endorsement of the transfer, which has been made on both copies in accordance with your instructions.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient,

humble servant,

H. Henniker-Heaton.

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE

J. H. THOMAS, P.C., M.P.,

SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES.

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S.G. 69/24

Magistrate's Office,

South Georgia.

18th April, 1924.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No. 748/23 of the 7th November, forwarding copies of correspondence with reference to the transfer to the South Georgia Company of the lease granted to Messrs Chr. Salvesen & Co., of a site at Allardyce Harbour, South Georgia, for a Whaling Station.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,



Ag. Magistrate.

The Honourable

The Colonial Secretary,

Stanley.