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POSTAL AND TELEGRAPHIC

TEL/GEN/1#8

1923.

No. 277/23

H. E. The Governor

SUBJECT.

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12th April,

Previous Paper.

Respecting direct Telegraphic  
communication with Punta Arenas.

*PA 11/4/23*  
*PA 15/4/23*

*MINUTES*  
*Telegram from Hon. N. Senzala Nealon, 11/4/23. Encl (1)*  
*Colonial Postmaster*

*Direct communication with Punta Arenas  
will be a great advantage. Will you please  
advise as to wave length + rate.*

*JM*  
*12 April 1923*

Punta Arenas, Chilean Govt. Station, Normal wave length 3,500 metres. Cost charge not stated in Wireless Year Book.

Hon. Col. Secty,  
I agree that communication with Punta Arenas will be a very great advantage. I have spoken the Engineer-operator concerning this matter and he states that we can receive from Punta Arenas on the wave length suggested, 3800 metres but that we cannot transmit on that wave length. Mr. Lash states that we can transmit on either 900 or 1800 metres.

2. Landing charge for punta Arenas will be 0.60 Fr or 6d per word, our sending charge the same. I have no information as to telegraph charges from Punta Arenas to other places or by what route telegrams for Europe are sent. Perhaps the British Consul can be asked to furnish information as to cost of telegrams from Punta Arenas to a

Subsequent Paper.

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Valparaiso, Buenos Aires, Monte Video, the United Kingdom and Norway. These are the principal places to which telegrams from this Colony are sent.

3. I should also say that Punta Arenas has a minimum coast charge of 6 fr or approximately 5/- on messages under 10 words.

M. George Hackett

Genl. Postmaster

April 12th 1923

3/12  
Submitted

M.H.B.  
O.S.C./C.S.O.  
12 April 1923.

O.S.C./C.S.O.

I understand that arrangements proposed are for local messages only & not for through messages to Europe as suggested in para 2 above.

2. Will you please refer to British Consul Punta Arenas in regard.

Welcome proposals direct wireless communication Punta Arenas Stanley will communicate 5th April hours mentioned. Stanley can receive on 3800 metres but cannot transmit on this wave length and 900 or 1800 metres suggested for transmission which is preferred? Same tariff as currently applied to be proposed.

12 April 1923.

Telegram to Brit. Consul, Punta Arenas,  
12th April, 1923.

Encl.

(2)

Colonial Postmaster.

So write  
G.R.H.B.  
o.s.s.o.  
12 April 1923

Hon. Col. Sec.

Noted accordingly. Owing to severe atmospheric conditions the telegram could not be transmitted on the night of the 12<sup>th</sup> inst. M. Craig Harkett  
143 4 23

V.B. Telegram has not yet been transmitted.  
G.R.H.B.  
o.s.s.o.  
14 April 1923

Colonial Postmaster.

Will you please report on what took place on 15<sup>th</sup> April with a view to establishing communication with Punta Arenas + whether any arrangements made as to wave length on which signals should transmit.

Dr.

16 April 1923.

Hon. Col. Secty,

On the night of the 14<sup>th</sup> inst., we received a message from Bories W/T. Station asking whether we would be ready for public service on the 15<sup>th</sup> inst. Reply was made that we would be ready. On the 15<sup>th</sup> inst., Punta Arenas Station called and was answered on 1800 metres, signals on this wave length were reported by Punta Arenas to be good. Arrangements



then made to send to Punta Arenas on 1800 metres.  
On the 16th inst., satisfactory communication  
held with Punta Arenas three telegrams being received  
from that Station.

2. No call has so far been made by Punta  
Arenas in the morning but with the small amount  
of traffic two calls a day are not really required.  
Satisfactory results are obtained with the evening  
call (7.30 p.m. Punta Arenas time)

*M. Gray Harker*

Col. Postmaster

April 17th 1923

Telegram from Br. Consul, Punta  
Arenas, 16<sup>th</sup> April, 1923. Encl. (3)

Telegram from Hon. A. Henricks, Heaton  
Punta Arenas, 16<sup>th</sup> April, 1923. Encl. (4)

Telegram to Hon. A. Henricks, Heaton  
Punta Arenas, 17<sup>th</sup> April, 1923. Encl. (5)

Telegram to British Vice Consul,  
Punta Arenas, 17<sup>th</sup> April, 1923. Encl. (6)

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Submitted.

*GRH*

*desps.*

*18 April 1923*

Colonial Postmaster

Encloses (3) & (7) for your information

*M.*

*18 April 1923*

Hon. - Col. Sec.

Noted accordingly.

Communication was held on evenings  
of 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> with Punta Arenas.

2. Engineer - operations reported

this morning that communication with Punta Arenas was satisfactory. Three telegrams passed.

Sending to Buenos on night of 18<sup>th</sup> not satisfactory owing to interference and atmospheric troubles at Buenos. Conditions here fair.

Recd from Buenos seven (7) messages for S. Georgia also three (3) for Stanley.

In case no communication with vessels approaching S. Georgia send copies of messages by the S.S. "Rosita" to ensure addresses receiving same.

M. Gray Hackett

19. 4. 23

V.E. Submitted

G.R.B.  
O.S.C.S.O.  
20 April 1923

21 April 1923

Telegram from Br. Consul Punta Arenas.  
21 April 1923 (8)

V.E. Encl 9 submitted for approval before issue. G.R.B.

O.S.C.S.O.  
23 April 1923.

24 April 1923.

Telegram to Br. Consul Punta Arenas. (9)  
23rd April 1923

Telegram from Br. Consul, Punta Arenas

25 April 1923 — Encl (10)

V.B. Submitted

G.R.B.

Di C/Seco.

27<sup>th</sup> April 1923.

This should be noted in case any further telegram or sur. *JK*

28 April 1923

Telegram from Hon. H. Henniker Heaton, 30<sup>th</sup> April, 1923. - - Encl. (11.)

V.E. Submitted

G.R.B.

Di C/Seco.

1<sup>st</sup> May 1923

2 May 1923

Letter from British Vice Consul Punta Arenas of 24<sup>th</sup> April 1923 - Encl (12)

Letter from British Vice Consul Punta Arenas of 25<sup>th</sup> April 1923 Encl (13)

Copy of letter from Señor Lillo of 23<sup>rd</sup> April 1923 - (13a)

Letter from British Vice Consul, Punta Arenas of 25<sup>th</sup> April 1923 Encl (14)

Letter to Consul General, Valparaiso, 29<sup>th</sup> May, 1923. Encl. (15)

~~Memo from Col Postmaster of 13<sup>th</sup> April 1923 - (16)~~

~~Copy of telegram to British Consul, Punta Arenas - (16a)~~

Letter from Brit: Consul Valparaiso of 19<sup>th</sup> July 1923 - (16)

V.P.

to see

G.R.B.

Di C/Seco

27 Aug 1923

~~Missed 28 Aug~~

(1)

TELEGRAM.

*From :* The Hon. Henniker-Heaton,

*To :* His Excellency, the Governor.

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*Dispatched :* 11th April,

19 23. Time. 7 p.m.

*Received :* 12th April,

19 23. Time. 1030 a.m.

GOVERNOR

PORT STANLEY.

Chilean Government authorized direct wireless communication Punta Arenas Stanley request Stanley speak fifteenth April following days 10, 30 oclock and 18, 30 oclock 3800 wavelength suggest same tarriff as Cerrito for present subject adjustment reply Britconsul.

HENNIKER-HEATON.

Note. This telegram was received direct from Punta Arenas Wireless Telegraph Station.

(Itld.) M.C.H.

(4)

TELEGRAM.

*From :* The Hon. H. Kenniker-Heaton, Punta Arenas.

*To :* His Excellency the Governor.

*Dispatched :* 16th April, 19 23. Time. 4.11 p.m.

*Received :* 17th April, 19 25 Time. 10.15 a.m.

GOVERNOR

PORT STANLEY.

ARCHAEM HERMOEASH RECALVATIO SERONCAL SLANTINGLY  
COMPURGENT SACKFUL THROUGH CONVOKING.

HEATON.

Meaning:

Local authorities given every help re-establishing  
Wireless Telegraphy Communication submitted  
congratulations should be sent through British Vice-  
Consul.

Heaton.



5.

TELEGRAM.

From : His Excellency the Governor

To : The Hon. H. Henniker-Heaton, Punta Arenas.

Dispatched : 17th April, 19 23. Time. 5.30 p.m.

Received : ... .. 19 .. Time. ...

HENNIKER-HEATON,  
PUNTA ARENAS.

UNFEARING STREVALE CONVOKING SILVERGOD SUMNUGTORY  
FOR VALUABLE ANTIGUSTA TOTALNESS GENITONE IN  
RECAEVATIO STROCAL.

MIDDLETON.

Meaning:

With reference to your telegram of 16th April have telegraphed to British Vice-Consul. Please accept my best thanks for valuable assistance which you have given in re-establishing Wireless Telegraphy Communication.

Middleton.

(6)

TELEGRAM.

*From :* His Excellency the Governor

*To :* British Vice-Consul, Punta Arenas, Chile.

*Dispatched :* 17th April,

19 23. *Time.* 5.30 p.m

*Received :* ... ..

19 *Time.*

BRITCONSUL

PUNTA ARENAS.

UNFEARING DEPARTABLE THANK YOURSELF BRITISH  
ASSOCIATION OF MAGALLANES MAGELLAN BRANCH OF  
OVERSEAS LEAGUE BRITISH COLONY FOR KIND MESSAGE  
ATTITUDE NIPPONENA ANGLEK WILL PROSCRIBOR OF  
ACROTOMOUS.

MIDDLETON.

Meaning:

With reference to your telegram of 16th April desire to thank yourself British Association of Magallanes Magellan Branch of Overseas League British Colony for kind message and to express hope that arrangements made will prove to be of great advantage.

Middleton.

11.

TELEGRAM.

From : Mr. Henniker-Heaton, Punta Arenas, Chile.

To : His Excellency the Governor.

Dispatched : 30th April, 19 25. Time. 5.20 p.m.

Received : 1st May, 19 25. Time. 10.20 a.m.

GOVERNOR  
FORT STANLEY.

MANY THANKS FOR YOUR TELEGRAM EXPECT TO LEAVE MAY 5th.

HEATON.

Meaning:

Many thanks for your telegram expect to leave May 5th.

*Encl 5*

Heaton.



Reference No.

50/23.

British Vice-Consulate,

Punta Arenas, Chile.

24th April 1923.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of Your Excellency's telegram of the 15th instant, as follows :-

"Wellcome proposals direct wireless communication Punta Arenas Stanley will communicate 15th April hours mentioned stop Stanley can receive on 3800 metres but cannot transmit on this wavelength and 900 or 1800 metres suggested for transmission which is preferred stop Same tariff as Cerrito agreed to for present".

I beg to confirm my telegram of the 16th instant, as under :-

"British Vice-Consul British Association of Magallanes Magellan Branch of Overseas League British Colony respectfully beg to offer Your Excellency hearty congratulations on re-establishment direct wireless communication Stanley Punta Arenas".

I have the honour to thank Your Excellency for your telegram of the 16th instant, as follows :-

"Your telegram 16th April Desire to thank yourself British Association of Magallanes Magellan Branch of Overseas League British Colony for kind message Agent for Colony informed and expresses hope that arrangements made will prove to be of great advantage".

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your Excellency's most humble,  
obedient servant,

*J. Wildman*

British Vice-Consul.

H. E. THE GOVERNOR,

FALKLAND ISLANDS.





Reference No.

50/23.

British Vice-Consulate,

Punta Arenas, Chile.

25th April 1923.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of Your Excellency's telegram of the 16th instant, as follows :-

"Request you will be good enough to convey cordial thanks  
"to local authorities for affording assistance to re-  
"establish wireless telegraphy communication and offer  
"them congratulations great success of arrangements made".

In accordance with your wishes, letters were sent to Captain A.E. SWEET, Naval Commander-in-Chief, and Señor Don Julio LILLO, Chief of the State Telegraph Office, the only two heads of department who have been concerned in the matter.

For Your Excellency's information, I have the honour to enclose herewith copy of the reply received from Señor Lillo.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your Excellency's most humble,  
obedient servant,

*J. Birdman*  
British Vice-Consul.

H. E. THE GOVERNOR

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

*Enclosure No 1*

COPY.

INCL No...1.....in  
British Vice - Consul's  
Despatch No. 50/23.....  
Punta Arenas 25/4/23..

República de Chile.

Telégrafos del Estado.

Punta Arenas. No. 89.

23 de Abril de 1923.

Señor Vice-Cónsul :

He tenido el agrado de recibir su atento oficio del 19 de los corrientes por el cual se sirve trasmitirme las cordiales espresiones de S. E. el señor Gobernador y Comandante en Jefe de la Colonia de las Islas Malvinas.

Quedo mui reconocido á la particular deferencia del señor Gobernador y especialmente á la atención de Ud. sin cuya mediación nuestras comunicaciones telegráficas con Malvinas habrían demorado largo tiempo en reanudarse.

Permitame rogarle trasmitir á S. E. el señor Gobernador de las Islas Malvinas las espresiones de mi mas distinguida consideración.

Reiterandole las especiales simpatías de que goza entre nosotros, saluda atentamente al señor Vice-Cónsul.

(firmado) J. LILLO.

Al señor Vice-Cónsul Británico,

Dn. T. B. Wildman.- Presente.



Reference No.  
50/23.

British Vice-Consulate,  
Punta Arenas, Chile.  
25th April 1923.

Sir,

I have the honour to confirm my telegram of to-day's date as follows :-

"Submitted that telegrams for Heaton should be addressed "to Heaton Britconsul".

The reason for my sending this telegram is that according to the Chilian Telegraph regulations, telegrams are not delivered unless sent to a registered telegraphic address. Telegrams addressed to a non-registered address are kept in the office until called for.

Your Excellency's telegram of the 16th instant, congratulating Mr. Henniker-Heaton on the assistance given by him in re-establishing wireless communication between Stanley and Punta Arenas, was received at the local telegraph office on the 18th instant at 5.40 p.m. but was not delivered at this Vice-Consulate until 9.20 a.m. yesterday.

Other telegrams addressed to him were delivered as a special favour but in the case referred to the address was mutilated and read "Hennicker Setton".

I have the honour to be,

Sir,  
Your Excellency's most humble,  
obedient servant,

*J. B. Wildman.*  
~~British Vice-Consul.~~

H. E. THE GOVERNOR,

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

15.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

No. 277/23.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

STANLEY,

29th May, 1923.

Sir,

I have the honour to bring to your notice the services of Mr. T. D. Wildman, Vice-Consul at Punta Arenas, on the recent visit of the Colonial Secretary of the Colony to that place in connection with Government business. The local Chilean authorities, at the instance of Mr. Wildman, were most friendly in forwarding the object of the visit, which has already resulted in greatly improved communications between this Colony and her neighbour.

2. I desire to express the appreciation of this Government for the ready assistance afforded by the Vice-Consul.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient, humble  
servant,

J. Middleton.

HIS BRITANNIC MAJESTY'S CONSUL GENERAL,

VALPARAISO,

CHILE.



BRITISH CONSULATE-GENERAL,

VALPARAISO.

19th. July, 1923.

Ref. AA/1573/23.-

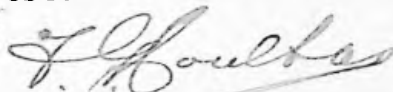
Sir:

I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 29th. May, No. 277/23, regarding the visit of the Colonial Secretary of the Falkland Islands to Punta Arenas, and to express my satisfaction that Mr. Vice-Consul Wildman was able to be of service on that occasion.

In the circumstances I propose to forward a copy of your letter to the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs.

I have the honour to be, Sir,

Your most obedient humble servant,



ACTING BRITISH CONSUL-GENERAL.

His Excellency,  
The Governor of the Falkland Islands,  
Government House,  
STANLEY.-