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19 43.

No. 110/43.

A. G. Barton, Esq.

SUBJECT.

19 43.

20th August.

Previous Paper.

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TELEGRAPHIC SERVICE BETWEEN STANLEY
AND WEST FALKLAND.

MINUTES.

1. Letter from Mr. A. G. Barton of 20th August, 1943.

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~~S. R. D. T.~~

NOIC is kindly arranging to change the 12.30 h.m.t. schedule to 3.30 h.m.t. which will be helpful. Will you please see Dr. Hamilton and how to arrange for cancellations at 3.0 h.m.t. and 4.45 h.m.t. daily. Please advise us when arrangements are complete and by the way I will write Dr. Barton.

K.B.
24/8.

Hon. Col. Sec.

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Dr. Hamilton would prefer to discuss this with you. Pl.

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D.M.

25/8 S.R.T.

Spoke Mrs. Mercer who will inform me when the w/c arrangements are fixed. 27/8/43

Subsequent Paper.

Hon. C. S.

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Spoke to office of N.O.I.C. The new schedule 3.30 local time will be a distinct improvement. I understand the N.O.I.C. is awaiting to hear whether 3.30 is suitable. D.M. S.R.T. 8/9/43

Spoke
Hole / P.A.

Letter from Naval Officer-in-Charge of 5.3.46. 6.

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SbT.

Ref: red (6) herein, will you please inform Operator, Fox Bay that any complaints which he may have should be addressed to you as Head of his Dept. In any case the arrangement of routines between local stations must be left to the controlling authorities of V.P.C.

D.H. Jones.
9/3/46

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Am C.S.

Red (6) noted. Operator Fox Bay will be informed accordingly.

The routines are decided by the Navy Station but unfortunately they are not always free to carry them out.

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15/3/46.

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Dear Bros

Malvinia House
Stanley

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PEBBLE ISLAND,
FALKLAND ISLANDS,
S. ATLANTIC.

The Hon. the Colonial Secretary
Stanley.

20th. Aug 1943

Dear Sir,

I enclose a copy of a letter from myself to the Superintendent of Telegraphs, dated 13th. May 1942.

I have been to see Mr. Mercer today and he informs me that he put my letter before the Naval Authorities at the Wireless Station but could obtain no satisfaction. Mr. Mercer agrees that if I were to make representations to you some improvement in the Service might be found possible.

The situation since May 1942 has become worse instead of better and you will find, on enquiry, that it is the exception rather than the rule for any telegram handed in at Stanley today to be delivered on the West Falkland before tomorrow. At the present time the scheduled hours of work between Stanley, Fox Bay, Port San Carlos and Pebble are 7.45 a.m. & 12.30 p.m. local time. It is obvious therefore that no telegram handed in after 12.30 p.m. can be received on the West before 7.45 a.m. the following day. It is however, not so clear to me why telegrams handed in at Stanley between the hours of 8 a.m. and 12 noon cannot be transmitted to their destinations at the 12.30 p.m. schedule. This is very rarely done.

Is this delay due to the Censor's hours of attendance at the Telegraph office not fitting in with the Telegraph office hours of work?

In common with other Westlers I would very much appreciate any improvement in the Service that you find it possible to effect.

Yours faithfully,

A. G. Barton.

Manager for Dean Bros

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13th. May

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The Superintendent of Telegraphs

Stanley.

Dear Sir,

I am writing to ask if there is any hope of the two daily schedules of work between VPC VQZ & PEB being altered to more convenient times. They are at present 7.0 a.m. & 12.30 p.m. local mean time. This means that any telegram handed in at either end after 12.30 p.m. cannot be delivered before 7.0 a.m. the next morning and more probably much later still.

The schedules which formerly proved to be most convenient for ourselves, and I should imagine VQZ too, were 9 or 9.30 a.m. and any time between 3 & 4.30 p.m. If VPC keeps constant watch on 600 metres, would such a change of time inconvenience them at all?

Yours faithfully,

A. G. Barton

for Dean Bros.
Pebble Is.

VPC = Stanley

VQZ = Fox Bay

PEB = Pebble



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Office of the
Naval Officer-in-Charge
Falklands.

The Honourable,
The Colonial Secretary,
Stanley.

5th. March, 1946.

Sir,

My Officer-in-Charge W/T Station has handed me attached service message. While every endeavour is made to fit in the requirements of the Colonial Government's internal telegram system I cannot expect my W/T Station to cooperate fully if messages such as this are received.

For your information call signs GNME are Southern Bases and Trepassey.

R.H. Gull

COMMANDER, R.N.
NAVAL OFFICER-IN-CHARGE.

NAVAL MESSAGE.

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For use in
Signal
Department
only

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Originators Instructions:
(Indication of Priority,
Intercept Group, etc.)

Codress/Plaindress

No. of
Groups:

TO:

VPC =

FROM:

Write
Across

We cannot afford to wait while you	5
finish game to attend our routine though	10
please arrange routine that you can keep	15
stop we get but reception on 405 and	20
suggest you give us that =	25

we are 402 30

System

P/L Code or Cypher

Time of

Receipt

Despatch

Operator

P.O.O.W.

Date

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