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C.S.

Accommodation is vitally important to the development of the Colony: we cannot accommodate immigrants because there is nowhere for them to go even for a short while; and we are further hampered by having insufficient flats for Govt employees eg GTU etc. We have people wanting to come here, but there is nowhere for them to live. acquisition of Alginates Hostel would not solve all our problems; but it would give us some room to breath.

I am more than ever convinced that we must make a determined effort to buy the Alginates Hostel by meeting their price of £30,000. I doubt if we could build and furnish a five-unit brick building for £30,000.

I recommend that we ask Ex 60 and SFC to go ahead and offer £30,000. I do not see leasing the building as a solution to our problems. The longer we delay the costlier it is going to be and the more problems we are going to have to meet. I think the time is here to be positive and offer £30,000.

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DCS 1-39. Any action required on this place?

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Ag C.S. Signed as requested, Surf 19/11

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TO ROUTINE PORT STANLEY MODEY 50 OF 16 MAR

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REFERENCE MASINGHAMS LETTER OF 19 DECEMBER TO MRS JOHNSON (TO WHOM PLEASE REFER THIS TELEGRAM) WE APPROACHED C D C WHO HAVE NOW REPLIED SAYING THAT THEY WOULD NOT NOW WANT TO INVEST IN DEVELOPMENT OF ALGINATES IN FALKLANDS UNLESS AIL WERE TO RENEW INTEREST AND APPROACH THEM AGAIN. THEY HAVE NO EXPERTISE IN THIS FIELD

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29 November 1978

C W Osborne Esq SAID FCO

#### ALGEN TO INDUSTRIES LIMITED

- 1. Just before I left London you gave me copies of letters dated 2 November from Law in ODN and 1 September from AIL.
- 2. I would be grateful if you could also let me have a copy of the letter which Law said, in paragraph 5 of his, he would be writing to ALL.

J R W Parker

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TO ROUTINE FCO

TELEGRAM NUMBER 62 OF 8 FEBRUARY
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- 1. WE UNDERSTAND THAT ALGINATE INDUSTRIES LTD (AIL) HAVE BEEN TAKEN OVER BY AN AMERICAN COMPANY.
- 2. GRATEFUL IF YOU COULD VERIFY WITH DETAILS AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

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TO PRIORITY PORT STANLEY

TELEGRAM NUMBER 33 OF 9 FEB 79.

YOUR TELNO 621: ALGINATE INDUSTRIES

1. PRELIMINARY ENQUIRIES CONFIRM THAT AIL HAVE BEEN TAKEN OVER BY MERCK AND CO INC. WE UNDERSTAND THAT MERCK ARE A LARGE US CHEMICAL COMPANY WHO ALREADY OPERATE A NUMBER OF KELP PROCESSING PLANTS IN AMERICA AND HAVE PHARMACEUTICAL SUBSIDIARIES IN UK.

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TO ROUTINE PORT STANLEY
TELEGRAM NUMBER 39 OF 20 FEBRUARY

MY TEL NO 33: ALGINATE INDUSTRIES LTD

1. WE NOW UNDERSTAND THAT TAKEOVER OF AIL MERCK HAS NOT YET TAKEN PLACE BUT HAS BEEN REFERRED TO THE MONOPOLIES COMMISSION. WE HAVE ASKED THE COMMISSION FOR A COPY OF THEIR REPORT AND WILL SEND YOU FULL DETAILS AS SOON AS WE HAVE THEM.

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THE SECRETARIAT,

STANLEY, FALKLAND ISLANDS,

SOUTH ATLANTIC.

To: All Legislative Councillors

### ALGINATE INDUSTRIES LIMITED

I recall that in the course of a reply to a supplementary Question about either housing or immigration I mentioned that we understood that Alginate Industries Limited had been taken over by the American Corporation MERCK. However, I have heard today that the takeover has not yet taken place because it has been referred to the Monopolies Commission. I apologise for having misled you but my reply was in fact based upon the information then available to me.

2. This latest information does not in fact alter the intention of the Administration to look into the possibility of acquiring the AIL hostel in Racecourse Road.

JOHN MASSINGHAM

The Hon the Financial Secretary

The Hon A B Monk JP

The Hon W E Bowles

The Hen W H Goss MBE JP

The Hon S B Wallace

The Hon D S Evans

The Hon T J D Miller

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7 March

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Mr D F Gooch Colonia Cottage John Street Stanley

As you are probably aware, the housing shortage in Stanley is becoming acute. Government, therefore, has the possibility in mind of purchasing the Alginate Industries hostel in Racecourse Road for possible conversion into flatlets. I have asked DPW, Mr Mason, to get into touch with you about obtaining access to do a thorough survey and you will no doubt be hearing from him shortly. I know that you will offer all assistance to him, but at this stage could I ask that you don't alert your Principals in London to what is happening. I ask this only because this is simply an exploratory initiative by the Administration to see what pessibilities the building has for internal conversion and I have no authority to start negotiations for purchase. I know that AIL is in the process of being taken over by MERCK but it would be premature at this stage, I believe, for AIL to think that an offer is about to be made for the building. What I need first is some sort of appraisal.

JOHN MASSINGHAM

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Chief Secretary

Director Public Works

cc HOU/1/6

ALGINATES HOSTEL: RACECOURSE ROAD

As you know, Alginate Industries Limited own a hostel in Rececourse Road which they have never used. Government have in mind the possibility of acquiring this building as part of the drive to ease the acute housing shortage.

2. However, before Govern ent can come to any firm conclusion we need to have some appraisal of the building's condition in general and, in particular, what possibility it offers for conversion into separate housing units. At present, it consists of a number of self-contained bed-sitting rooms with a large convenal layatory. This is all right as a form of bachelors' mess but it does not lend itself readily to general occupation. I wonder, therefore, whether you can arrange for such an appraisal to be made as soom as oscible. Access to the building can be obtained through Ir Fred Gooch and, when you make your initial reconnaissance, I should be grateful if you could let DCS know as he has a special interest in this scheme.

JOHN MADSINGHAM

# **ALGINATE INDUSTRIES**



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#### BOX 214, PORT, STANLEY, FALKLAND ISLANDS SOUTH ATLANTIC TELEPHONE 220



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HEAD OFFICE 22, HENRIETTA STREET, LONDON, WC2E 8NB ENGLAND

21st March 1979

John Massingham Esq. Ch Secretary Stanley.



Dear John.

Please forgive me for having failed to acknowledge your letter of the week before last, but I had already conducted ir Mason and staff around the Mostel when I went to my post box.

I was able to lend him the plans of the premises also, which he has found helpful in assessing the construction of the building.

You may rest assured that this matter is treated with the congidence requested.

Incidentally, I received a communication from my bank, where my AIL share certificates are ledged, with the news that the take-ever or menger concerning Marck and AIL did not go through on the date which was proposed owing to the intervention of the Secretary of State for Prices and Consumer Protection, who referred proposed acquisition to the Monopolies and Mergers Commission.

The effer made to acquire the whole of the issued share capital of AIL has now lapsed. I wonder what will be the outcome in the end.

With kindest regards.

Yours sincerely

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Your Ref: - COM/29/2

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It is requested that this number and date should be quoted.

From

Director Public Works



Date Ath Arril 1979.



Chief Secretary

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Subject:-

I refer to your minute dated 7th March and our visit to inspect the above mentioned hostel on the 8th March, 1979.

An examination of the building plans provided by Mr Pred Cooch has only illustrated too well that the building has been "custom-built" for its original purpose, i.e. five self contained batchelor flats.

To convert the present layout to a smaller number of "bed-sitters", each consisting of a living-room, kitchen, and bathroom would involve so much plumbing and drainage work to render the exercise extremely expensive when it is taken into consideration with the purchase price.

I do not know the "saking-price" for the property, but it is unlikely to be under £15,000, and if we were to add £4000/£5000 for the conversion costs, the exercise becomes uneconomical. I would add at this juncture, that the conversion costs quoted above have been assessed entirely upon a superficial examination, but are not likely to be lowered by drawing up a full conversion scheme with billed quantities.

A.F. Mason. Director Public Morks.

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HEAD OFFICE 22, HENRIETTA STREET, LONDON, WC2E 8NB ENGLAND

F E Baker Esq. OBE Chief Secretary Stanley.

23rd Hay 1979

A I L Nostel, Racecourse Road Stanley

Dear Sir.

On behalf of my UK-based company I have recently concluded an agreement with Assembly SA. of Sarandi. Provincia de Eucnos Aires, for the renting of the premises at 6 Racecourse Boad for the accomodation of their personel.

This is on a monthly basis, and of a total duration of possibly five months, and included in the agreement is the clause that the lessee is not allowed to sublet the premises, and to confine the use of same to that of a dwelling house exclusively.

I felt that it is only right to keep you informed of what is going on, as on various occasions I have received enquiries from the FIG concerning this building with view to housing single staff.

Yours faithfully

D F Gooch.

Mr. F. Gooch, Stanley.

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Thank you for your letter of 23rd May on the subject of the Alginate Industries Hostel on Racecourse Road, Stanley. I am grateful for your consideration in letting us know about the present situation with regard to this building. As you are probably aware the Director of Public Works has in fact (thanks to your kind co-operation) been able to inspect the premises and make estimates of the likely cost of converting the building for the purpose which we had in mind. His findings tended to indicate that conversion was likely to be rather more expensive than we had hoped and it is for this reason that no final decision has hitherto been taken as to whether or not we shall follow-up the original suggestion. Much of course will depend on the forthcoming budget.

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Meantime I am very interested to hear of the agreement which your Company has concluded with Assembly SA of Buenos Aires Province and would be most grateful to learn, if this information is not confidential, the nature of the business which your new tenants are to undertake. Many thanks for your assistance.

Yours sincerely,

F. E. Baker CHIEF SECRETARY

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HEAD OFFICE: 22, HENRIETTA STREET, LONDON, W.C.2. ENGLAND

1st June 1979

F E Daker Esq. ORE. Chief Secretary. Falkland Elsnds Government.

Ref: CON/29/2



Deer Mr Baker.

Thank you for your letter of 30th May) concerning the leasing of AIL Hostel. Bacecourse Bd, to Assembly SA.

I understand that this organisation is in effect, part of Yacimientos Petroliferos Fiscales, executing engineering work which does not actually come under the heading of califields and refineries. In Stanley they are engaged in the removal of piping and fuel storage tenks for the purpose of resiting at the Airport. They are also carrying out a maintenance program at the YPF storage plant in Stahley.

Any assistance which I am able to afford Government concerning these premises is willingly given, and I am pleased to have been able to help in any way.

With kindest regards.

Yours sincerely.

D F Gooch.

Note N. Good inform me that the best conjug contact at the mount is Mr. M.H.C. PERY.

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CHIEF SECRETARY'S OFFICE
THE SECRETARIAT
STANLEY

FALKLAND ISLANDS
9 October 1979

Ref: COM/29/2 cc HOU/1/10

The Managing Director
Alginate Industries Limited
22 Henrietta Street
London WC2

Dear Sir,

AIL HOSTEL: RACECOURSE ROAD

I write on a matter which I would normally pursue through Mr F Gooch, with whom we usually deal as a representative of your Company here. However, Mr Gooch is temporarily absent from the Falklands on business and I understand he may be away for some weeks. I therefore thought it best to take this up directly with your London office, time being particularly pressing on this matter.

The Falkland Islands Government is extremely concerned about an acute shortage of accommodation in Stanley and is seeking to acquire any properties which might be of use for residential purposes. Amongst these buildings is the hostel in Racecourse Road which is owned by your Company. I recently spoke to Mr Gooch about this, indicating that Government would be interested in purchasing the hostel and asking if he would inform you of this and ask if you would be prepared to sell. However, he may not have had a chance to contact you about this before leaving Stanley. Since he may be away some time and as we shall shortly be having a meeting of the Executive Council at which I should like to report progress on this, I thought it necessary to approach you direct in the hope of obtaining an early indication of your views.

I would therefore be very grateful if you could let me know as quickly as possible whether or not your Company would be interested in selling this property.

Yours faithfully,

F E Baker

CHIEF SECRETARY

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NO.497 FROM CHIEF SECRETARY FALKLAND ISLANDS GOVERNMENT FOR MHC PERY

PLEASE REFER TO MY LETTER COM/29/2 OF 9 OCTOBER IN WHICH I INDICATED FIG'S INTEREST IN PURCHASING YOUR COMPANY'S HOSTEL AT RACECOURSE ROAD STANLEY. WE HAD ALSO EARLIER APPROACHED MR F GOOCH ON THIS AS THE COMPANY'S LOCAL REPRESENTATIVE AND BELIEVE HE HAS WRITTEN TO YOU ABOUT IT. WE HAVE AS YET RECEIVED NO RESPONSE, PROBABLY DUE TO MAIL DELAYS AND WONDER WHETHER, IN VIEW OF COUNCILLORS' KEEN INTEREST AND FORTHCOMING MEETINGS OF EXECUTIVE AND LEGISLATIVE COUNCILS YOU COULD LET US KNOW URGENTLY WHETHER YOUR COMPANY WOULD BE INTERESTED IN SUCH A PROPOSAL AND IF SO AN INDICATION OF THE PRICE REQUIRED.

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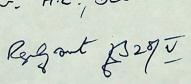


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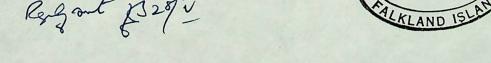


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### CABLE & WIRELESS

TO: ALGINATE INDUSTRIES LIMITED LONDON

TX NO: 23815 AILLON G

No 353

For Mr Michael Pery from CSFIG

Ref my last tel on proposed purchase of your Racecourse Road

hostel (28 May) we are now even more urgently in need of

further accommodation and if no solution is found soon progress

on a promising pilot project to relieve our acute manpower

shortage may be halted. We would still prefer purchase to

lease if possible and I would like to be able to report pregress

some progress when Executive Council meets again on 19th August.

Would you be willing to consider a compromise somewhere between

your price and our valuation? Regards

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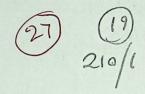
CHIEF SECRETARY
FALKLAND ISLAND GOVE NMENT
PORT STANLEY (FALKLAND ISLANDS)

REFERENCE YOUR TELEX NO.353 STOP HAVE SECURED AGREEMENT TO LOWER PRICE TO POUNDS STERLING 27,500 STOP OFFER TO LEASE FOR POUNDS STERLING 3000 P.A. REMAINS OPEN SUBJECT TO OUR NOT RECEIVING OFFER FROM ANY OTHER PARTY TO BUY AT ABOVE PRICE STOP REGARDS MICHAEL PERY ALGINATES

COL NO. 353 27,500 3000 P.A.







30 July 1980

Leng Esq Lenging Lirector Alcinate Industries Etd 22 Lenviette Street London C2

by Chief. Secretary has been in correspondence with you over the Felkland Islands Covernment's interest in your less of bailding in Stanley. I should just like to out in a parter I plea for your help in what is a vital issue for this Colony.

is you hew, we ere critically short of compouer in these lalands and I have been excluding all possible ways of In roving the situation. e low have the opportunity to recruit a considerable loss of labour and file usago er from it helens, where they have the opposite mobile to our unemploy ent. The major constraint is the shortage of accompodation in tenley. Shave been looking at vacant buildings in the town and fred douch kinds showed to round. your hestel the other day. It would be ideal for some of our Government artisens and it was for this resen that I asked the Chief Scoretary to make you an offer for it. His offer was based upon a Jublic torks Department valuation Which ' seemed to me to be fair and was subsequently confirmed by an independent and impartial source. I understand, however, . that your Board or your new Principals (I do not know which) considered that the bid of 22,500 was too low. Is we need

the hostel badly, I am prepared to urge the Standing Finance Cornittee to raise this bid to £25,000, but I am afraid that I could not reasonably ask them to go up to £30,000. her could I reasonably ask them to authorise the payment of a rental of £3,000 a year if you were to decide to lease and not to sell. I do not know what a fair rental hould be, but the general opinion here is that £3,000 a year 1 too steen.

I unculd be nort grateful if you would look a spatiate ically at this and thus bely the development of the colony thin, in the long run, is almost board to help us. Fitting venture that your convery may wish to undertake hope.



TO: ALGINATE INDUSTRIES LONDON

TX NO: 23815 AILLON G

For Mr Michael Pery from CSFIG

Many thanks your telegram of 1st August concerning our
interest in purchasing Racecourse Road hostel. This
however crossed with a letter from the Governor despatched

30th July and I would be very grateful, if you have
received this, if you could send us a telegraphic response
to it in time for our ExCo meeting ma pm Tuesday 19th August.

You may prefer to telex us at 214 Governor FK

Regards

CHIEFSEC

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TELEX NO 182 14.8.80

TO CHIEF SECRETARY, FALKLAND ISLANDS GOVERNMENT.

MANY THANKS YOUR TELEX AND GOVERNORS LETTER- MUCH REGRET UNABLE TO MOVE FURTHER ON PURCHASE PRICE DUE TO FINANCIAL CONTRAINTS. CAN REDUCE LEASE TERMS TO POUNDS STERLING 2500 FOR ONE YEAR IF THIS IS OF ANY ASSISTANCE.

REGARDS

MICHAEL PERY

23815 AILLON G

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To:- Alginate Industries, London
Telex No.:- 23815 AILLON G.

No. 411

FOR MR MICHAEL PERY FROM CS FIG. MANY THANKS YOUR LAST TEL REF
RACECOURSE ROAD HOSTEL. COUNCILS HAVE NOW AUTHORISED PURCHASE OF
THE HOSTEL AND CONTENTS BY FALKLAND ISLANDS GOVT FOR THE SUM OF
TWENTY SEVEN THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED POUNDS. MOST GRATEFUL FOR TELEXED
ACCEPTANCE OF THIS OFFER AND LOOK FORWARD TO SPEEDY FINALISATION
REGARDS CHIEFSEC

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# The Falkland Islands Office

Greycoat Place, Westminster, London SW1P 1SD Telephone 01-222 1871 01-222 0028 Telex 888164

Director General Air Commodore B G Frow DSO DFC

Our ref: FIO/3F

12th August 1980



F.E. Baker, Esq., Chief Secretary, The Secretariat, Stanley, Falkland Islands, South Atlantic.

Thank you for your letter dated 23rd July regarding Alginate developments. I enclose copies of letters I have exchanged with Ralph Merton ex Managing Director of Alginate Industries and now a consultant to the firm. This shows that an extended airfield and a road system are a prerequisite to alginate development, due to the price of oil and the consequent high cost of large bulk shipping.

I am still waiting to hear Khans final verdict and will write again when I have positive information.

B.G. Frow

Encs../

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C E Needham J R Spencer FCA M V Summers BA

Our ref: FIO/3F

5th August 1980

R.R. Merton, Esq., Old Roctory, Burghfield, Berkshire.

I enclose a copy of a letter received from the Chief Secretary regarding Alginate developments in the Falkland Islands. I wonder if you would comment on his remarks about the road and airport facilities? I have always inderstood that Alginate Industries considered that an airport capable of taking type long range aircraft, and a road system, to be prerequisites for alginate development in the Islands.

B.G. Frow

Enc. ./

The Old Rectory Burghfield Berks.

6th August 1980

Dear Brian,

I have just got your letter and the enclosure from the Chief Secretary regarding the Khan Brothers interest in alginates.

We have (Alginate Industries) always considered an airport of the type you described together with a road system to be pre requesites of an alginate development in the Islands as you rightly say.

In saying "always considered" this has been the case certainly ever since we abandoned the idea of collecting, drying, milling and then shipping the weed for extraction elsewhere, in favour of manufactoring calcust alginate "on the spot".

This change was brought about by the rise in the price of oil which makes it prohibitive to dry a 90% water-containing weed which is what macrocystis is.

At the moment there is a considerable excess of sea weed supply in the world. The cheapest coming from Northern Chile where it is washed up by the tide and dried "for free" in a climate which has seen no rain for something like 15 years! this factor more than compensates for the fact that it is spread out over an enormously extended coast line.

The only way in which I can imagine F.I. weed competing is price on the original basis of collecting, drying, milling and shipping the weed is if a supply of natural gas were miraculously to appear (not impossible) near Stanley.

It would probably not be worth collecting it and might therefore be available almost "for free" as a by product of oil extraction.

I must apologise for not replying in type but the alternative would have been to wait another week as I paid my weekly visit to the office yesterday.

R.R. Merton.

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CHIEF SECRETARY FALKLAND ISLAND GOVERNMENT FALKLAND ISLANDS

MANY THANKS YOUR TELEX STOP CONFIRM ACCEPTANCE OF YOUR OFFER OF POUNDS STERLING 27,500 FOR RACECOURSE ROAD HOSTEL STOP WILL SET WHEELS IN MOTION FOR THE NECESSARY LEGAL TRANSACTION STOP KIND REGARDS MICHAEL PERY STOP

COL 27,500





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### 17. Purchase of AIL Hostel COM/29/2

The Chairman advised Councillors that AIL had reduced the sale price of the Racecourse Road Hostel to £27,500. Executive Council had approved the purcahse and had directed that Standing Finance Committee be asked to provide the necessary funds. Councillors approved the additional expenditure. See paragraph 3.

Ref: COM/29/2

TO: ALGINATE INDUSTRIES LIMITED LONDON

TX ND: 23815 AILLON 4

NO. 422

For Mr Michael Pery from CSFIG

Many thanks yrtel accepting our offer for Racecourse Road Hostel and letter to Governor. Councillors are very pleased agreement has been reached and are most anxious to begin using building. Would appreciate your agreement for us to take possession before final completion legal formalities in return for payment of an agreed deposit.

Regards

CHIEFSEC



Comn/29/2

MEMORANDUM

Reference .. . number and date should be

quoted.

From

Chief Secretary

4 September 1980 Date ...

To Supt of Education

> cc Ag DPW · File COM/29/2%

Subject:

#### SCHOOL HOSTEL ACCOMMODATION

I refer to your memorandum ref 8/6/7 of 2 September on the above subject. As discussed yesterday I took up the matter of the use of the former AIL hostel at Racecourse Road at my Government House meeting this morning.

- 2. In view of the Executive Council decision on this, I had assumed that once the hostel was purchased a decision as to its use was to be left to the Administration. However, HE does not entirely agree with my interpretation of Executive Council's intentions, and feels that it would be wisest to refer this matter to Executive Council once again before any final decision is reached. While he agrees that, on the face of things, the use of the hostel as accommodation for girls who could not otherwise be accommodated in Stanley would appear to be the logical priority, there are nevertheless several other proposals for the use of this building. In these gircumstances it would appear to be wiscot to seek Executive Council's final confirmation that the hostel is to be used for housing girls who will be attending school in Stanley.
- 3. I am sorry that this will necessitate further delay before any actual modifications could be carried out to the building, but there is no reason why the Aq DPW should not prepare costings meanwhile as discussed. I would stress, however, that no actual work should begin before we have received final approval. In this context I would also point out that the removal of certain fittings - sinks etc - which you envisage, might involve costly replacements at a later date when the girls vacate the hostel. Perhaps, therefore, we should discuss the actual modifications proposed further, if and when a favourable decision is received from Executive Council.
- The Council meets again on 16th of this month and I trust that they will produce a decision which will enable us to go ahead as quickly as possible with this project.

CHIEF SECRETARY

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COM/29/2	16.	Purchase of AIL Hostel
	16.1	Advice had been received from Alginate Industries Limited that the lowest offer they would accept for the Race-course Road Hostel was £27,500.
	16.2	A figure of £22,500 had been included in the 1980/81 Estimates for the purchase of this building and, after discussion, Council advised that SFC should be asked to provide the extra £5,000 in order that the purchase could go ahead.

Clerk of Councils

Reference Som 29/2

It is equested that this number and date should be

auoted. From Registrar General Date 18th September 1980

To

Chief Secretary

Subject:-

### Alginate Industries - sale of bungalow

I attach copy of letter from Alginate Industries dated 4th September and copy telegram referred to.

2. Is this sale to go through at the price referred to ? If so I shall prepare a Conveyance. I cannot, of course, act for Alginate Industries as the telegram seems to suggest but this will pose no problem.

Enc.

Regeneral informed 21/9/80 He will prepare Conneyance

ALGINATE INDUSTRIES

LIMITED

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CABLES "ALGINATES, LONDON, W.C.2" TELEX: 23815

Our Ref: HGC/jmt

4th September 1980

R. Checkly Esq., Ross Road West, Stanley, Falkland Islands. South Atlantic.

Dear Mr. Checkly,

I trust that you have already received our message sent to Mrs. Gooch, but I attach a confirmatory copy.

When Mr. Gooch was in England, we discussed the sale of our property in Racecourse Road to the Government for £27,500.

I hope that you have been able to start the legal work for this transaction and our solicitors look forward to hearing from you.

Yours sincerely,

H. G. Cook Alginate Industries Ltd. Administration Director

Enc:



O EAGRAM LN LB T 23815 AILLON G 3.9.80 16.04 RS.D.F.GOOCH PO BOX 214 PORT STANLEY FALKLAND ISLANDS SOUTH ATLANTIC

ATTH MRS D GOOCH STOP REFERENCE SALE OF PROPERTY IN RACECOURSE ROAD TO GOVERNMENT FOR POUNDS STERLING 27,500 STOP HAVE DISCUSSED RECENT TELEXES WITH MR GOOCH IN LONDON STOP PLEASE REQUEST MR R CHECKLY STOP ROSS ROAD WEST STOP TO ACT ON OUR BEHALF STOP WOULD HE INITIATE PREPARATION OF CONTRACT IN CONJUNCTION WITH CHIEF SECRETARY STOP ANY QUESTIONS TO LOVELL WHITE AND KING WITH COPY TO ME STOP MANY THANKS STOP REGARDS HAROLD COOLD ADMINISTRATION DIRECTOR STOP

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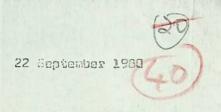
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COM/29/2 2.14 AIL Hostel (9/80 - 16)

Exectuive Council approved the use of the AIL Hostel as temporary accommodation for some of the girls from Darwin School until the main School Hostel was completed, subject to satisfactory arrangements being made by the Education Department, for adequate supervision of the boarders.

Glerk of Council



Chief Secretary

Ag Disector of Public Works

od Supt of Education

### ATL HOSTEL

Thank you for your memorandum re? PUD/42 of 15th September on the above subjects

- 2. We now have permission from Alginate Industries Limited to enter into the property and the necessary work to enable the hootel to be used as occommodation for girls (so approved by lest work's Executive Council) should begin to soon as possible places.
- 3. However, I am instructed to make it clear that ExCo's approved is only in relation to the present protocal for the utilisation of the hostel, and that Council will wish to review the situation when the girls estually move into the new school hostel. You are therefore requested to ensure that any alterations and madifications are kept to a minimum and are such that they will not preclude the building being restored to its present layout without too much difficulty should this eventually be necessary.
- 4. I elab took the opportunity while Johnt Councile were essented last week (in S-C members were present) of obtaining approval in principle for you to utilise mavings on the Stanley House conversion votes for this work on the grounds that this is all part of the same overall project. Thus we have agreement to proceed as in the last paragraph of your memo under reference.

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POP CHIEF SECRETARY

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### EXTRACT FROM MINUTES OF EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING NO. 11/80 HELD ON 14TH OCTOBER 1980



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### COM/29/2 2.10 <u>AIL Hostel</u> (10/80 - 2.14)

- 2.10.1 Councillors noted that work was in progress to convert the AIL Hostel (recently purchased by Government) to suitable accommodation for some of the girls from Darwin Boarding School.
- 2.10.2 It was hoped that the building would be ready for occupation by the second half of the current school term 4th November.

Clerk of Council

MEMORANDUM

It is requested that this number and date should be quoted.

com/29/2

Date 23rd October 1980

From

Registrar Supreme Court

To Chief Secretary

Subject :-

### No. 6 Racecourse Road

I attach Counterpart Surrender for signing by H.E. the Governor which please return to me in due course. The original is with Alginate Industries' solicitors, Messrs. Lovell, White & King of London. The effect of this document will be to transfer ownership of No. 6 Racecourse Road to the Crown free from the existing Lease so that the land and buildings will become Crown Land.



- 2. Please arrange through the F.S. for the remission of the purchase money, ie. £27,500.00., either to the solicitors (address: 21 Holborn Viaduct, EC1A 2DY, their ref. 3/PMJB) or to their bankers, Messrs. C. Hoare & Co., 37 Fleet Street, London EC4P 4DQ for the credit of their Client Account No. 60400. I assume no deposit has been paid.
- 3. I have made a search at the Companies' Registry in London and nothing prejudicial has been disclosed.
- 4. It is intended that Mr. Fred Gooch will bring the deeds with him when he returns to the Colony and he will be authorised to hand them to me after payment of the purchase money and delivery of the Counterpart Surrender to Messrs. Lovell, White & King.

Als Cleverey R.S.C.

DATED 30 December 1900

ALGINATE INDUSTRIES LIMITED to

HER MAJESTY QUEEN ELIZABETH II (Acting by the Governor of THE COLONY OF THE FALKLAND ISLANDS)

#### SURRENDER

of Lease of 6 Racecourse Road Stanley, Falkland Islands dated 29th January 1971

> Lovell, White & King 21 Holborn Viaduct London EC1A 2DY

Registered No. 7017 of the 164 day of January 1980 Volume XXIV at Page 94.

Au Uewug Registrar General

THIS SURRENDER is made the day of December 1980 BETWEEN
ALGINATE INDUSTRIES LIMITED whose registered office is situate at
22 Henrietta Street London WC2E 8NB (hereinafter called "the
Company") of the one part and ELIZABETH II, BY THE GRACE OF GOD,
OF THE UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND, AND
OF HER OTHER REALMS AND TERRITORIES, QUEEN, HEAD OF THE COMMONWEALTH,
DEFENDER OF THE FAITH (Hereinafter called "the Crown") acting by
THE GOVERNMENT OF THE COLONY OF THE FALKLAND ISLANDS (hereinafter
called "the Government") of the other part
WHEREAS:

- (1) This deed is intended to be supplemental to (a) a Crown Lease granted on the 29th day of January 1971 to The National Environment Research Council (hereinafter called "the Council") and (b) a Transfer (endorsed on the said Crown Lease) dated the 13th day of May 1974 between the Council of the one part and the Company of the other part whereby the premises hereinafter described were assigned by the Council to the Company for the residue of the term of years granted by the said Crown Lease.
- (2) The said premises are by virtue of the said Transfer now vested in the Company for the residue of the said term of years and the reversion immediately expectant on the determination thereof is now vested in the Crown.
- (3) The Company has agreed to surrender the said Crown Lease to the Crown acting by the Government in consideration of the payment of the sum of £27,500.00.

NOW THIS DEED WITNESSETH as follows:

- 1. In consideration of the sum of £27,500.00 paid by the Government for and on behalf of the Crown to the Company (the receipt whereof the Company hereby acknowledges) and of the release hereinafter contained the Company as beneficial owner HEREBY CONVEYS AND RELEASES to the Crown acting by the Government ALL AND SINGULAR the premises demised by the said Crown Lease and known as No.6 Racecourse Road, Stanley, Falkland Islands TO THE INTENT that the term of years granted by the said Crown Lease may merge and be extinguished in the reversion expectant thereon.
- 2. The Crown acting by the Government hereby releases the Company from all liability claims and demands in respect of all breaches of any of the covenants contained or implied in or otherwise arising under the said Crown Lease.

IN WITNESS whereof the Company has caused its Common Seal and the Government has caused the Seal of the Colony of the Falkland Islands to be hereunto affixed the day and year first before written.

SEALED with the Common )
Seal of ALGINATE INDUSTRIES)
LIMITED aforesaid in the )
presence of:- )

Milal Ping A.G. Cook

Director

Secretary

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ELIZABETH II., BY THE GRACE OF GOD, OF THE UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND, AND OF HER OTHER REALMS AND TERRITORIES QUEEN, HEAD OF THE COMMONWEALTH, DEFENDER OF THE FAITH.

(1)	Insert	"made	application	for"	ог
"purchased at auction".					

(2) "Sections" or "lots"				
	(2)	"Sections"	or	"lots"

Place (3)	Stanley		

I hereby transfer all right, title and interest in this lease to Alginate Industries Ltd.

Dated this 13th day of May, 1974.

for and on behalf of the
Natural Environment Research
Council

F. Bernett Sonior Magistrate

Twenty-one YEARS.

ANNUAL RENT.

£ -. 1s. -d.

### TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS COME GREETING:

The Natural Environment  Research Councilhas made application for
a lease of No. 6 Racecourse Road, mumbered Stanley
We of our special Grace do by these Presents for Us, Our Heirs and
Successors, lease unto the said Natural Environment Research Council
all that lot or parcel of land situate in the town of Stanley
containing forty-four square perchesers more or less, and more particularly described
as to Metes and Bounds in the first schedule hereto.
Provided that this lease is granted subject to the reservations, conditions
and restrictions set forth in the Land Ordinance (Cap. 36) save in so far as
the same are expressly excluded in whole; or in part, and subject to such other
reservations, conditions, and restrictions as are set forth in the second schedule
hereto, and that this lease shall commence on the 1st day of February
19 71 and end on the 31st day of January 19 92 both days

inclusive, and that a rent of \_\_\_\_\_\_ parameter one shilling (5p.) \_\_\_\_\_ parameter of \_\_\_\_\_ parameter on the \_\_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ January \_\_\_\_\_\_ in every year during the continuance hereof.

In Testimony whereof I hereunto set my hand and affix the seal of the Colony of the Falkland Islands this 29th day of January

One thousand nine hundred and seventy-one.

Governor and Commander in Chief.



I hereby renew this lease until theday of	19
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FIRST SCHEDULE	
METES AND BOUNDS	
Lot and Station No. 6 Racecourse Road consisting of	in Town,
• containing forty-four square perches	
The land (worth) having been surveyed is bounded	$d\ as\ follows$ :
On the North by Racecourse Road, 120 feet;	
On the East by No. 5 Racecourse Road, 100 feet;	
On the West by No. 7 Racecourse Road, 100 feet; and	ar-day
- On the South by Crown Land, 120 feet	
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SECOND SCHEDULE	
SPECIAL RESERVATIONS, CONDITIONS AND	RESTRICTIONS
(4) (1) The Natural Environment Research Council shall cause the land to be kept in	a clean and proper condition. (4) Here insert conditions
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a further period at the expiration of the term hereby granted and shall give writing of such desire and shall perform the several stipulations herein content the premises for a further period.	ve the Government notice in
por road	



### EXTRACT FROM MINUTES OF EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING NO. 12/80

### HELD ON WEDNESDAY, 10TH DECEMBER 1980

COM/29/2 2.8

AIL Hostel (11/80 - 2.10)

2.8.1 His Excellency reported that it had not been possible to bring all the school beds into Stanley from Darwin and as a consequence the Hostel would not be in use as a girls boarding house until the beginning of next term.

Clerk of Councils

### MEMORANDUM

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Reference

It is requested that this number and date should be quoted.

Com 29 Z

Date 16 January 1981

From

Registrar General



Ag Chief Secretary

Subject:- No

No 6 Racecourse Road

The Surrender of the Lease of No 6 Racecourse Road has been completed and registered and I attach the original lease and Surrender deed for retention by Government.

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Registrar General



Acting Chief Secretary

Superintendent of Education

### AIL Hostel

Would you please let me know if the Hostel is now ready for occupation.

### ACTING CHIEF SECRETARY

## MEMORANDUM

Reference Com is requested that this number and date should be quoted.

ing Chief Secretary

Date .... 22nd January 198

From Superintendent of Education

Subject:- AIL HOSTEL

I am happy to be able to report that the Hostel is now ready for occupation in all major respects, and will be fully operational by the beginning of the school term.

2. Places have been given to fourteen girls, though two of these will sleep across the road in my house. All the girls who were formerly boarders at Darwin School have been catered for, except for those who have since attained school leaving age, and one who will do very shortly, and has elected to stay in Camp.

Superintendent of Education



# EXTRACT FROM MINUTES OF EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING NO. 1/81 HELD ON THESDAY, 20TH JANUARY 1981



COM/29/2 7. A.I.L. Hostel (12/80 - 2.8)

7.1 The Acting Chief Secretary was asked to speak to the Superintendent of Education on this matter to ascertain that the Hostel would be ready to be used as a girls' boarding house at the beginning of the 1981 school year in February.

Clerk of Councils