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PPL/MED/1#10

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(Formerly)

SUBJECT :

CAP BADGES - COLONIAL UNITS.

CONNECTED FILES.

NUMBER AND YEAR.

500/24

Imperial War Graves Commission.

36139/48



27th February, 1948.

From the Secretary of State for the Colonies

To the Officer Administering the Government of **FALKLAND ISLANDS**

CIRCULAR TELEGRAM SAVING

Cap Badges, - Colonial Units

- 93 in
590/24
J. L. A.
G. A. S.
Comm. 11/47
1. With reference to my predecessor's Circular Telegram Saving of the 11th May, 1944, asking that in connection with the permanent markings of war graves specimen cap badges of Colonial units which were raised during the late war could be supplied, I have to inform you that it has been suggested that it would be appropriate for a complete set of these badges to be displayed in the Colonial Office - duly mounted in a glass case - as a permanent memento of the service given by the Colonial Empire in the late war.
 2. I also understand that the Naval and Military Club, which already displays the badges of the British Army, wishes similarly to display badges of Colonial Forces. I feel sure that you will agree that both proposals are desirable, and I should be grateful therefore, if you would arrange to furnish me with two cap badges, suitably and securely labelled, of all Colonial units, naval, military and air, both full-time and part-time which were in existence at the outbreak of, or which were raised during, the war of 1939/45. I appreciate that in some cases these forces were under the control of Service authorities, but nevertheless the badges of such units should be included.
 3. In the case of units which were part of a larger regiment or corps e.g. battalions of the King's African Rifles and the Royal West African Frontier Force, it is not proposed to display the badges of the subordinate units, where these differed from that of the parent regiment. On the other hand, units which were separate entities, e.g. the Singapore Royal Engineers, the West African Artillery etc., should, I feel, be represented by their own badges.

Reply at 2

SECRET

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A.

4. It would be appreciated if you would arrange with H.Q. East Africa Command, when supplying other badges, to include those of units raised in British Somaliland.

SECR.

b.

G.M.

Will you please supply 2 cap. badges,

W.C.V.
25.4.48

c.

H.B.S.

Cap badges 4/10/48.

B.

Qm

8.4.48.

SAVING TELEGRAM NO. 44 to SECRETARY OF STATE OF 10/4/48.

F.I. Ref: 0703.

C.O. 26139/48.

10th April, 1948.

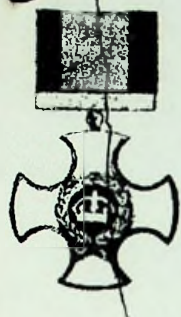
No. 44.

/ Your Circular Saving Telegram of 27th February, 1948.
Cap Badges of Colonial units.

Two cap badges of the Falkland Islands Defence Force are forwarded herewith.

GOVERNOR.

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12/4



Jimmie White

Qualicum Beach B.C.
Canada

COLLECTOR
War Medals & Military Curios

Member of
The Orders Decorations and Medals Research Socy of GB
Orders and Medals Society of America
Military Heraldry Society of GB etc etc.

7th October 1961.

Officer Commanding,
Local Defence Force,
Port Stanley,
Falkland Islands.

Dear Sir,

I would appreciate it very much if you could give me information regarding a badge which I have in my collection and on which I would like to report on in one of the Society monthly papers for the information of others interested in this field.

I have attached a pencil rubbing of the badge which is of heavy white metal and has brooch fitting at the back.

If it is possible I would like to obtain a specimen of badge of local force and would be pleased to forward cost of same.

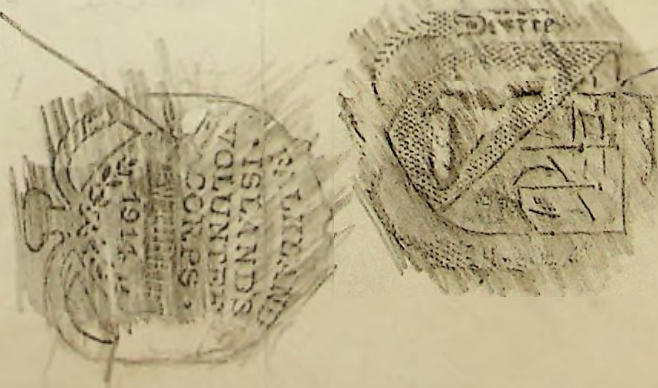
Have enclosed some mint stamps for reply.

Many thanks for your kind cooperations.

Yours truly,
Jimmie White
Jimmie White.

As I am interested in postal matters of the S.I. and S.I.D. there was a stamp for reply and I was hoping there might be another one and I am sorry I am not sure.

PTE W CURRIE



Reply at 6

Adjutant, FIDF.

would you pl. supply whatever information
you may have on these badges & say whether it is possible
to let Mr. White have a specimen of the present badge, at what
price.

26/10/61

ACS.

5.

No records available showing to whom
these Cap Badges were awarded. Mr. W. Currie's
name appears in the books as having served
in the F. V. Volunteer Corp during World War
1, and a Silver Cap Badge was awarded
to everyone who served in appreciation of
this services. We can let him have a
Cap Badge of current issue at 5/- plus
postage etc.

as per
adv. 3/11/61

Falkland Islands Defence Force,
Stanley, Falkland Islands.

17th November, 1961.

Sir,

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I acknowledge receipt of your letter dated 7th October, 1961, and have to inform you that my records show that a Silver Cap Badge was awarded to everyone who served in the Falkland Islands Volunteer Corps during the first war in appreciation of their services. Pte. W. Currie's name appears in the book as having served in that war and it is clear that it is the badge awarded to him for his service that you have in your collection.

2. A copy of the present Cap Badge of the Falkland Islands Defence Force is obtainable from the Adjutant at 5/-d. plus postage.

Yours faithfully,

(Sgd.) R.H.D. Manders

Commandant
Falkland Islands Defence Force

Received

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17.11.61

J. White, Esq.,
Qualicum Beach B.C.,
CANADA.

HLB/IM.

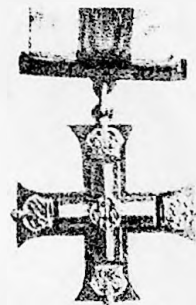
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Accepting Officer's Initials <u>J. White</u>		Date Stamp <u>7/12/61</u>	
<u>Qualicum Beach B.C.</u>			
<u>Canada</u>			
FOR REGULATIONS SEE OVER			



Jimmie White

P.O. Box 249,
Qualicum Beach B.C.
Canada

COLLECTOR
War Medals & Military Curios



2nd January 1962.

Commandant,
Falkland Islands Defence Force,
Stanley, Falkland Islands.

Dear Sir,

Many thanks for yours of the 17th November 1962.
reference 0703 regarding my query on the W W I Badges
of the Force.

at b c
Thank you for the opportunity of obtaining
a cap badge for my collection, I am taking the liberty
of enclosing a two dollar bill as apparently I am having
difficulty in getting a small M.C. for 5/-. I trust you
will be able to change this O.K.

at b c
I am going to take the liberty of asking a further
favour or two from you - firstly can I have specimens of
other insignia such as shoulder flash or other item.
Secondly I am interested in the postal history of the
Falkland Islands and F.I.D's and in this regard I was
wondering if you would kindly apply some of the enclosed
mint stamps (which I think are still good for postage)
to two envelopes and if you could apply your Unit rubber
stamp on the front and sign as Commandant I would appreciate
these very much for my collection.

As I have included more than the cost of the badge
could you enclose with it some specimens of local coinage
my youngster collects coins.

I hope I havent made a nuisance of myself with these
requests.

Best wishes for the New Year.

Yours truly,

Jimmie White
Jimmie White.

Send the badge by ordinary mail

Reply at 12.

5

1 Cap badge.

could be sent if 450

we in order

14/ = received
for 2
Canadian
Dollars
After
in ACS
Desk.

2.

Other insignia. Could ask

adjutant help?

3.

If we have a unit that it will

be easier to be taken 1 or 2

4.

Local coins now. We can

replace

5th of 24/1/62.

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Adjutant.

Do we have a unit stamp that can be applied
to the envelope?

Perhaps you could let us have a Cap badge
+ any other flashes etc you may be able to spare.

I wonder if he would like the SHB gun?

31.1.62

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Falkland Islands Defence Force,
Stanley, Falkland Islands.

Ref: 0703

14th March, 1962.

Sir,

7 I acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 2nd January 1962, together with remittance of £ 2.00 (fourteen shillings). I have obtained two shoulder flashes and a current cap badge of the Falkland Islands Defence Force which I have addressed to you under separate registered cover. The balance from your order has been made up with postage stamps which you will find affixed to the cover containing the cap badge etc.

2. The stamps you sent with your letter are employed as postage on this reply.

Yours faithfully,

(Sgd.) R.H.D. Manders

Commandant
Falkland Islands Defence Force

Mr. J. White,
P.O. Box 249,
Qualicum Beach B.C.,
CANADA.

HLB/LH

Certificate of Posting		The undermentioned postal packet has been registered and posted here this day. (Ordinary postage _____ s. _____ d. if paid)	
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		paid	s. _____ d. _____
Accepting Officer's Initials		Date Stamp	
Jimmie White			
Qualicum Beach B.C. Canada			
FOR REGULATIONS SEE COVER			

Ref: 0703.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Stanley, Falkland Islands.

24th March, 1962.

Sir,

99 I am directed to refer to your letter of the 7th February, 1962, and to inform you with regret that local Government badges are not available for sale. A badge of the Falkland Islands Defence Force may be obtained for 5/- on application to the Adjutant, Falkland Islands Defence Force.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

(Sgd.) H.L. Bound

for

COLONIAL SECRETARY.

Mr. S. Bryant,
'Fir View',
Sunnyside,
Boundary Road,
Loudwater,
High Wycombe,
Buckinghamshire.

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Ram
24 362



SC-6981 Cpl. Genereaux, J. F.
Regt'l Museum, QOR - C Depot;
Currie Bks; Calgary, Alberta.
Canada.

1st. Feb. 1962.

Dear Sir,

I'm a collector of Commonwealth Military and Police cap badges and this is a request for a cap badge of your Defence Force.

I've been collecting badges as a hobby since 1942 but I have never been able to get a representation from your part of this world wide Commonwealth. This would be a great boost to my badges from around the Commonwealth if you could possibly assist me here.

How long has there been a Defence Force in your area? Have your badges been the same since the time of formation? I hope you do not mind all the questions, but I'm keenly interested in the places, etc. that our Cousin units come from. Most of our units like your own are affiliated with British, Australian units, etc.

Thank you very much for your time, and I sincerely do hope that you will be able to assist me with my request. Allow me to send my very best wishes for the New Year of 1962.

Respectfully yours,

J. F. Genereaux
J. F.. Genereaux.

Reply at 28

FORCES
AIR LETTERS II
BY AIR MAIL
Par avion



The Commanding Officer
Falkland Islands Def. Force;
Port Stanley,
FALKLAND ISLANDS.

SECOND FOLD HERE — PLIER ENSUITE ICI
SENDER'S NAME AND ADDRESS — NOM ET ADRESSE DE L'EXPEDITEUR

SC-6981 Cpl. Genereaux, J. F.
Regt'l Museum, QOR - C Depot;
Currie Bks; Calgary, Alberta.



Adjutant FIDF

Would you pl. supply the
information necessary to enable me to
reply to (2).

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30.4.62

S/C pl. reply to (3) as draft then submit file
to Adjutant as above.

30.4.62

Ref: 0703.

Falkland Islands Defence Force,
Stanley, Falkland Islands.

2nd May, 1962.

Sir,

20 With reference to your letter of the 1st March, 1962, I am to advise you that a badge of the Falkland Islands Defence Force will be despatched to you on receipt of your remittance of five shillings.

I am,
Sir,
Your obedient servant,


Commandant

Falkland Islands Defence Force

Captain J.B. Peters(Retd.),
45 Coy Pond Road,
Branksome,
Poole,
DORSET.


See 26 + 27

HLB/IM.

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Adjutant

As at 21 please.

 4.5.62

F.I.D.F.
H.Q.

A.C.S.

28th May, 1962.

Reference (2)

The Falkland Islands Volunteer Corps was first Formed in 1892. The Force stood down in 1919 and was reconstituted in 1920 as the Falkland Islands Defence Force.

First Cap Badge worn by the Corp depicted a Bull, the second a Seal and the present one a Sheep. The present badge was issued in 1955. I have no information on the previous two badges.

The information required may be available from a Secretariat or Registrar File. Regarding the Badge, would you like it sent to Secretariat to be forwarded on or sent direct from H.Q.

To James O'Leary.

Ref: 0703

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Stanley, Falkland Islands.

18th July, 1962.

Sir,

19 I refer to your letter of 1st February, 1962, and have to inform you that the Falkland Islands Volunteer Corps was originally formed in 1892 and remained active until the end of the first world war when it was stood down and reconstituted in 1920 as the Falkland Islands Defence Force.

2. The Cap Badge of the Corps has always been represented by the Arms of the Colony and with the change of the Arms during the early 1950's the present badge emerged in 1955.

3. A copy of the present badge can be forwarded to you on receipt of a remittance of six shillings which amount covers postal charges.

I am, Sir,
Your obedient servant,

(Sgd) H. L. Bound.

for COLONIAL SECRETARY

Mr. J. F. Genereaux,
SC-6981 Cpl. ,
Regt'l Museum, QOR - C Depot;
Currie Bks; Calgary, Alberta,
CANADA.

HLB/FH

If we indent for buttons as required by us and have stocks which we imagine will be sufficient for our needs for a reasonable period then we can't write any off and hence can't supply to people like the writer of 34.

If we have far more than we require I suppose we could write off some & keep them for sale to people like this.

It has been suggested that individual Police Officers as they get a new uniform every year may have the new buttons of their old ones and in that case ~~they~~ anyone who wanted to could take up his matter privately.

But if that is so that it raises a further question as to whether this is not a wasteful procedure and whether ~~they~~ the new ones will be detachable buttons which are retained (perhaps these are ?)

O.I.C. Police could you please report.
If it is easier to answer all these questions verbally please speak

R 10/4/62.

We do not stock Police buttons.

This makes it clear!

on.

O.W.

11/12/62.

Ref: 0703.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Stanley, Falkland Islands.

14th December, 1962.

Sir,

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I am directed to refer to your letter of the 12th November, 1962, and to inform you with regret that there are no Police buttons or badges available for sale.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

(Sgd.) H.L. Bound

for COLONIAL SECRETARY.

Mr. Eric Kjellberg,
Nybohovsbacken 80, 1 tr.
Stockholm SV,
SWEDEN.

See 41-43

FH/IM.

15.12.62

THE FOLLOWING REFERENCE AND THE
DATE OF THIS LETTER SHOULD BE
QUOTED IN COMMUNICATIONS.

G1/934/1

TELEGRAMS { INLAND: "CROWN, SOWER, LONDON."
OVERSEA: "CROWN, LONDON."

TELEPHONE: ABBEY 7730

TELEX NO. 24209

CROWN AGENTS

FOR OVERSEA GOVERNMENTS AND ADMINISTRATIONS

4. MILLBANK,

LONDON. S.W.1.

6th October, 1960.

Dear Sir,

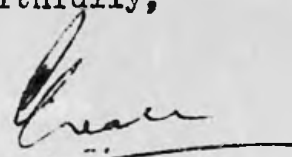
With reference to your letter of 29th September, 1960, I have to inform you that the Crown Agents do not hold stocks of the buttons and badges in use in the various overseas Police forces for which they act. They have only the sealed patterns which are retained in the Pattern Room at this office for reference by contractors when necessary.

The majority of orders for buttons and badges are placed with the following three firms who hold dies from which requirements are produced as indents are received:-

- (1) Messrs. Firmin & Sons Ltd.,
Globe Works,
Portland Street,
Aston,
Birmingham, 6.
(Buttons and Badges)
- (2) Messrs. W. Dowler & Sons Ltd.,
Graham Street Works,
Birmingham.
(mainly Badges)
- (3) Messrs. J.R. Gaunt & Son Ltd.,
Warstone Parade,
Birmingham, 18.
(mainly Badges).

There would be no objection to your approaching any of these firms in case they may have samples available for any of the buttons or badges which you require.

Yours faithfully,



Stores Department.

Eric Kjellberg,
Tangvagen 81,
Hagersten,
SWEDEN.

RW

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BW Friday 3 5 63
26.9.63

1. Buttons ⁴³ Tell him he is visiting (we are working
series buttons with a crown and have no distinctive ones)

2. ~~Butt~~ Badger. We have no other ones; he speaks
of which he says would tell him the house is being
purchased for him but ask him if he would like a
colored photograph of his father.

3. We can take up with Brown explaining his
hesitation to sign but we do not want to
keep studies as do not want to buy in studies
for collection but would be no objection
to his father and produced him nothing but has some
bird collections

3/6/62.

14th May,

63.

Gentlemen,

I am directed to inform you that we receive occasional requests from Collectors to supply them with badges and buttons of the Falkland Islands Police Force, but since we do not keep sufficient stocks of these items for such purposes, I wonder whether it would be possible for us to refer such requests to you so that collectors may be provided with these articles direct from the suppliers. If so, perhaps you would be good enough to say at what cost they could be supplied.

2. I have been sent a copy of your letter G1/934/1 of the 6th October, 1960, by the addressee who states that he wrote to the manufacturers who told him they had none in stock and merely supply them as ordered. This Government has no stocks either and merely orders them as required and it would be pointless for us to order from the makers simply to supply a collector who could as easily have obtained it from the makers direct.

3. I am to state that this Government would have no objection on principle to such item being supplied provided they were only supplied singly to persons who appeared to be genuine collectors.

I am,
Gentlemen,
Your obedient servant,

COLONIAL SECRETARY.

Crown Agents for Oversea Governments and Administrations,
4, Millbank,
LONDON, S.W.1.

RHDM/IM.

BU 307.63

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No.

It is requested that, in any reference to this memorandum, the number and date should be quoted.



29th May, 1963 19

To: Colonial Secretary

From: Superintendent of Police.

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

SUBJECT :-

Photographs: Police Cap Badges.

Herewith one dozen photographs of the Police Cap badge as requested for disposal to collectors who wish to obtain the actual badge and which we do not keep in stock.

I have ascertained that the metal badge cost £1.1.6 on order from UK. This would appear to be an expensive item to purchase for stock.

The photo copies cost approximately 1/- to produce and I would suggest a reasonable charge of 3/- be asked from collectors, plus postage.

W. Gray
Superintendent. 49

attest. The drill would be when people asked for cap badges to tell them that we had none here, and they could be told to get them from the makers by consulting the Crown Agents. One man suggested we could let them have the photos. I wonder whether 3/- is not too much. Both for Friday or 4/6

Friday
BU 17.6.63 (49)

So

Open. ~~30~~ is what we have.

Would change. We will get the balance from

the purchaser & pass it on to him

We will have to pay the balance which of course
we will be relieved from the purchaser.

If we get requests later we can ~~cancel~~ extend
the period and in result of the money being
in the bank to deal with.

7/6/63

BU 30.7.63 (4)

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GL/934/1

TELEGRAMS { INLAND: "CROWN, SOWEST, LONDON."
OVERSEA: "CROWN, LONDON S.W.I"

TELEPHONE: Abbey 7730

TELEX NO. 24209

CROWN AGENTS

FOR OVERSEA GOVERNMENTS AND ADMINISTRATIONS

4, MILLERANK,
LONDON, S.W.1



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Dear Sir,

Further to the correspondence resting with your letter of the 14th May concerning requests from Collectors of badges and buttons of the Falkland Islands Police, please note that we do not hold stocks of badges of your Force, and only place orders when we are directed by you to do so.

We will, of course, give any assistance to Collectors by providing the name of the manufacturer where this is known, and it is then up to him to write direct to the manufacturer advising that he is a Collector. The badge manufacturers have pointed out that the cost of setting up the dies and tools to produce one badge only may amount to anything between £5 - £10, and whether the Collector is willing to pay this price is entirely up to him.

Yours faithfully,

for the Crown Agents

The Colonial Secretary,
Colonial Secretary's Office,
Stanley,
FALKLAND ISLANDS.

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17.9.63

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