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I do not see how King
 a further instalment for several years
 their own commitments are already
 rather heavy Mr. Holland's contract will
 have to be terminated and the proposal is
 that he should have 4 1/2 days vacation
 leave for month. It might be an
 awkward precedent but these harbour
 works officials are in a rather special
 position. He will have served Govt. a lot
 of money by doing a term of 25 years and
 the extra leave is really a form of bonus.

Subsequent Paper

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P.T.O.

? Approve proposal. J.H. 5.2.25

If it could be decided that the
extension of the work is not practicable
at once it would be worth while to
inquire whether the Holland could
not stay out to see the present work
through - the cost of doing so is
not very high - but I prefer to
be definite.

As proposed?
at the Coast for at least 3 years
is one which can be faced.

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ALL COMMUNICATIONS
TO BE ADDRESSED TO THE

CROWN AGENTS FOR THE COLONIES.

THE DATE OF THIS LETTER BEING QUOTED

AND THE FOLLOWING REFERENCE: E.430/4.

TELEGRAMS: CROWN, LONDON.
TELEPHONE: 610, VICTORIA

4, MILLBANK,
WESTMINSTER,
LONDON, S.W. 1

4th February 1925

25 With reference to your letter No. 14126 of 14th July
and subsequent correspondence authorising the appointment
of the engineering staff required in connection with the
Kilindini Harbour Works, I have the honour to transmit the
enclosed copy of a letter from Messrs. Coode, Fitzmaurice,
Wilson and Mitchell, asking approval of certain modifications
in the arrangements originally authorised.

We have no observations to make on the
recommendations of the Consulting Engineers which, in the
light of their explanations appear reasonable, and I have
accordingly to request the authority of the Secretary of
State to sanction their proposals.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

W. W. Wickham

For Crown Agents.

Under Secretary of State,

Colonial Office,

S.W. 1.

MESSRS. DOODE, FITZMAURICE, WILSON & MITCHELL TO CROWN AGENTS.

9, Victoria Street,

London, S.W. 1.

29th January 1925.

H. J. MILNE, Esq., J.R.R.

Gentle Sir,

In your letter No. E. 430/4, dated the 20th March 1924 approval was given to the appointment of the following staff for the above works:-

- 1 Chief Assistant Engineer.
- 1 Assistant Engineer.
- 2 Mason Diver Inspectors.
- 1 Mason Inspector.
- 1 Ironwork or Reinforced Concrete Inspector.
- 1 Assistant Accountant.

At the present time, in addition to the Resident Engineer the staff is as follows:-

Chief Assistant Engineer	- Mr. W.W. Marsden.
Assistant Engineer	- Mr. W.D.V. Monies.
" "	- Mr. A.P. Humble.
Diving Inspector	- Mr. J. Milne.
" "	- Mr. H.J. Francis.
Mason Inspector	- Mr. J.E. Opie.
Assistant Accountant	- Mr. J.A. Holland.

2. It will be seen from the foregoing that an additional Assistant Engineer has been appointed. He was required for the period, Mr. Fforde, the Resident Engineer, was in this country on leave, and his appointment is

referred

referred to in our letter to you of 6th February, 1924. Mr. Florde has now returned to duty, but in view of the work in hand and the survey information we require in connection with the contemplated works we request covering approval to retain the additional Assistant Engineer for the present. In about May next we consider we shall be able to dispense with the services of our Assistant Engineer, and we would propose to terminate Mr. Florde's appointment and retain Mr. Monks on account of his longer experience of reinforced concrete work.

Although sanction was given for the appointment of two Inspectors three may have been appointed.

Mr. Milne, the Diving Inspector, who arrived at Millwall on the 14th December 1921, desired to come home in October last, but as we were anxious to have two Diving Inspectors at the works until the completion of the blocks at the wharf wall end, in particular, we retained the services of Milne, who had been continuously at the works since the commencement. We offered him a bonus of £50 to stay on until the all setting was completed, which he accepted with as early in March of this year.

Mr. Milne has expressed his opinion that it would have been far more costly to send out a Diver to replace Milne, and we therefore request authority to pay him the bonus of £50 referred to.

4. The work on the ferro-concrete sheds has not been proceeding as fast as could be wished. The Contractors have been working longer hours and have now, with our approval, arranged for practically continuous overtime on these sheds.

This work is of an intricate nature and it is absolutely essential that the Inspectors should be present

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not returning to the Colony. In the event of his returning in connection with the proposed extension work this leave would be automatically increased to 6 days for each month of absence under the leave terms already approved.

The services of the Relief Assistant will be required until the completion of the present work but should it be decided to proceed with further work, he would not be required after the return of Mr. Holland to Kildare.

Yours, Gentlemen,

Your Obedient Servants,

FOR COLON, FITZGERALD, WILSON & MITCHELL.

(Sgd) S. P. G. Mitchell.

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- Sir F. Danneberg
- Sir G. Davis
- Sir G. Grindle
- Sir J. Masterton Smith
- Lord Arnold
- Mr. Thomas

that he appreciated the
 proposals of the Consulting
 Engineers as set out in their
 letter of the 29th of Jan., with
 regard to the Staff of the Kaitiaki
 Harbour Works. etc

(Signed) W. G. BOTTOMLEY.