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BROWN AGENTS.

DATE

7th May 1925.

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ENGAGEMENT OF MR G. WALTERS, FOREIGN DIRECTOR.
INSURANCE.

Mr Walters has requested that premium on his policy for 2500 should be paid by Colonial Govt. Enquire whether they should insure him, as in previous case quoted.

MINUTES

I do not see why the Government should pay for them.

In the W.A. case quoted (a 37824/25) the direct type Co. made this one of their regulations, and it was acceptable.

In the present case, the Contractor mentioned the question of insurance - see enclosure to CA letter on 13/05/25, but the consulting engineers (4th enclosure) think the insurance should be provided for them.

The ~~contractor~~ ^{enclosure} should not be asked to make any promise to pay.

? Reply by minute referring to the consulting engineers' letter (enclosure) with

Subsequent Paper

13/5/25

make a total of \$20,000 paid to the Contractors for
work done up to 31st March, 1955.

250

Yours,

SIR,

Your medical certificate,

for leave, extension, illness, & absence

Capital & V. M. M. M.

Contractors attribute the delay to the difficulty in getting the electrical parts from the makers.

14. Progress The expectation that progress would improve, especially on the Hoole, expressed in paragraph 13 of our last quarterly report, has not been fulfilled. Reasons during the quarter had been principally three. There were slight signs of improvement at the end of the quarter, the Contractors having strengthened their supervising staff, and the local labour being somewhat more used to this class of work, but about five days of No. 1. work which it was confidently hoped would be ready by 1st May, will not be ready before August. The Contractors have now given 31st August, 1924, as the date at which they anticipate completing the contract. A separate communication has been addressed to you on this subject.

15. Labour The number of men employed on the works at the end of March was as follows:-

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| Electricians | ... | ... | 64. |
| Electricians | ... | ... | 205. |
| Electricians | ... | ... | <u>1010.</u> |
| | | | <u>1280</u> |

16. Certificate payments Certificate payments have been made to the Contractors for the past quarter for the total amount of £67,000 made up as follows:-

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|------------------|-----|-----------------|
| For January 1924 | ... | £38,700 |
| For February | ... | £16,000 |
| For March | ... | <u>£12,300</u> |
| | | <u>£67,000.</u> |

which with the previous sum of £428,000 paid to the Contractors for work done up to the 31st December, 1924,

8. Excavation of Area - A start has been made to lay the rubble bottoming and stack roll it, working from the south end northwards.

9. Crane Work - A considerable length of the outer crane wall has been laid in position and a start has been made to lay the inner crane wall.

10. Pile Driving - The driving of the piles for Shed No. 1. has been completed but the progress has been poor. As a result of representations to the Contractors an experienced pile driving Foreman has been obtained from London, and took up his duties early in March.

11. Shed Superstructure - The improvement in progress anticipated at the end of December 1924, did not take place, and the superstructure of the sheds is very much behind hand. At the end of the quarter the main and intermediate beams of the first floor had been completed for 141 feet from the south end, and a length of 92 feet of flooring laid thereon. Work is proceeding on the columns and roof also the first floor. A slight improvement in the progress took place in March, but the work is still going on very slowly. Strong representations have been made and are being made to the Contractors in this connection. Most of the steelwork for the sheds is now on the site.

12. Roads - The 80 ft. roadway at the north end of Shed No. 1. has been formed and some pitching laid.

13. Electric Cranes - Two 3 ton wharf cranes, two 1 ton wharf cranes, and five fixed cranes were due for delivery in England in January. At the end of the quarter none of these were ready. The

1st May, 1928

REPORTGENERAL REPORTREPORT ON THE PROGRESS OF THE HARBOUR WORKS AT SINGAPORE

SIR,

As I have to report to you on the progress of the harbour works at Singapore during the three months ended 31st March, 1928.

3. Dredging. The dredging of the wharf wall trench and in front of the wall has continued, but for the greater part of the quarter the work was only carried on during the day time.

5. Excavation. This has proceeded by hand. A start has been made to form a deposit of surplus sand at the north end of the works.

4. Blockwork Wall. The progress on the wall has been disappointing. It had been hoped that block setting would have been completed during the quarter, but 125 blocks remained to be set at the end of the quarter.

6. Superstructure. The building of the upper concrete superstructure is as close up to the blocks as it is possible to bring it.

7. Anchor. Work is progressing slowly.

8. Block Setting. This has followed closely on to the block setting.

Chief Engineer,
The Crown Agents for The Colonies.



C.O.
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7 JULY 25

ALL COMMUNICATIONS
TO BE ADDRESSED TO THE
CROWN AGENTS FOR THE COLONIES.
THE DATE OF THIS LETTER BEING QUOTED
FOLLOWING REFERENCE: E.A.30/6.
TELEGRAMS "CROWN, LONDON"
TELEPHONE 2, 1102 WESTMINSTER

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WESTMINSTER,
LONDON, SW 1
6th [redacted] 1925. 246

Sir,

With reference to your letter of the 30th November 1924, No. 41690, I have the honour to transmit for the information of the Secretary of State, the enclosed copy of Progress Report No. 14 on the Kribissal Harbour works, covering the quarter ending 31st March, 1925.

I take this opportunity of acknowledging the receipt of your letter No. 19233, 1925 of 1st May and its enclosure relative to the delay in completing this contract. A copy has been communicated to the consulting engineers.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

W.A. [Signature]
for Crown Agents.

Secretary of State,
Colonial Office.



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A. WILKINS
WESTMINSTER
LONDON, S.W. 1.

18th May, 1926.

The Crown Agents for the Colonies present their
compliments to the Under Secretary of State and request
that paragraph 13 of the latest quarterly report on the
progress of the Kilindini Harbour Works (a copy of which
accompanied their letter of 4th May) may be deleted, as
the supply of the Electric Cranes, therein referred to,
forms part of the Contract for the construction of
the works.

R. P. [Signature]
18th May 1926
Approved [Signature]

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