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## 'File No. 1/3 CIRCULARS & OFFICE ORDERS received from RESIDENCY.'

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### About this record

The file comprises circulars and notifications issued by the Political Resident in the Persian Gulf, primarily to the political agents at Bahrain, Muscat and Kuwait. The circulars include instructions on how different types of correspondence should be addressed so that they reach their appropriate destination or are treated correctly on receipt; the number of duplicate copies of differing types of correspondence that should be sent to the Residency for forwarding on to other agencies; that Political Agents should send all correspondence directly to the Political Resident and should not communicate themselves with outside agencies; notifications of new telegraph codes for organisations; and notifications of changes of individuals job titles, and the renaming of departments and offices.

Other matters of note within the file include:

- instructions on how intelligence summaries should be structured, including to whom they should be sent; correspondence regarding the magistrate responsibilities of the Indian Assistant and how this is supervised;
- the re-opening of the British Consulate at Bandar Abbas
- Ralph Ingham Hallows, Assistant Political Agent at Bahrain, who has been trained in civil law and has been learning Arabic; the file notes that Hallows has not been undertaking any judicial work in Bahrain, has not continued his language studies, and has not suggested arrangements to ensure that both

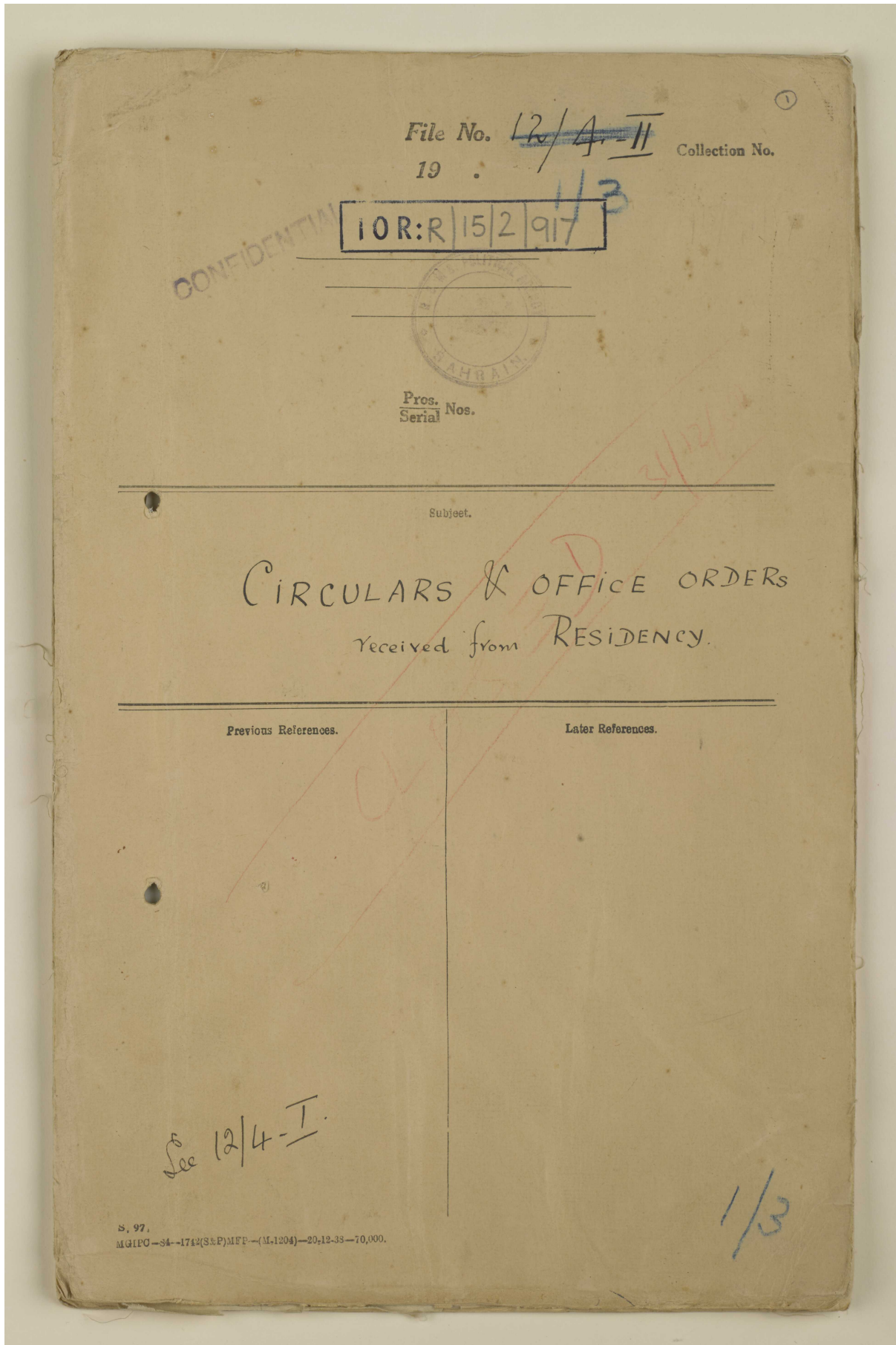
skills are encouraged during his appointment.

- A message from the Prime Minister (Winston Churchill) in 1942 regarding the example he expects civil servants to set during wartime.

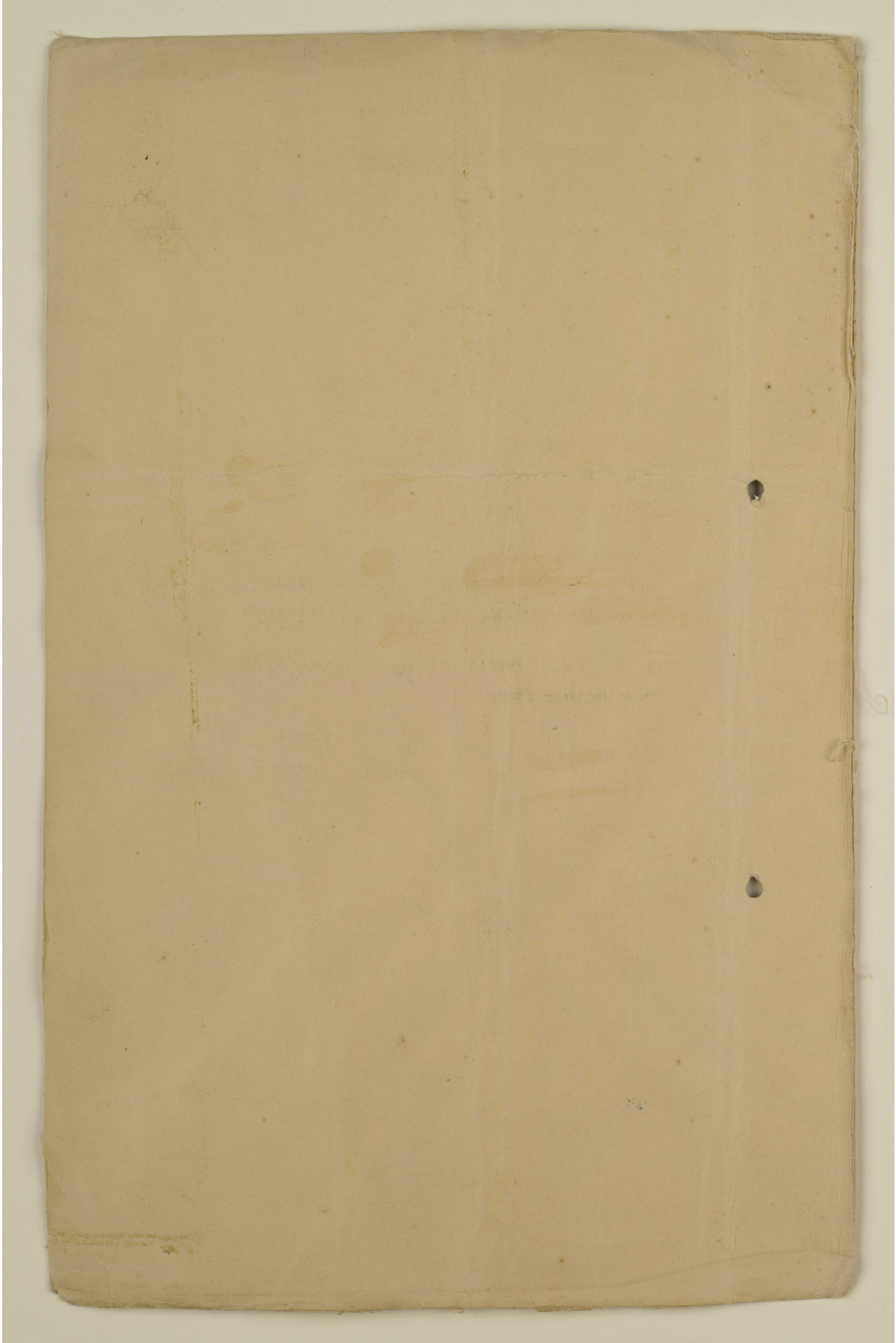
A series of file notes which were maintained as a record of the correspondence in the volume can be found at folios 68-71.



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Circular No. 1140.

Bushire, the 31st May 1933.

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(1)

Lately the Persian Post Office at Bushire have been noting on all envelopes addressed to me as "Resident" that they do not know the addressee but are delivering the cover to the British Consulate-General for disposal.

I informed His Majesty's Minister at Tehran of this, and suggested that, in order to avoid an unfruitful controversy and as in Bushire I am Consul-General not Resident, I proposed subject to his approval informing my correspondents to address envelopes in future "His Britannic Majesty's Consul-General". His Majesty's Minister has concurred in my proposal.

In future please address envelopes accordingly. No change should be made in addressing the letters inside the covers.

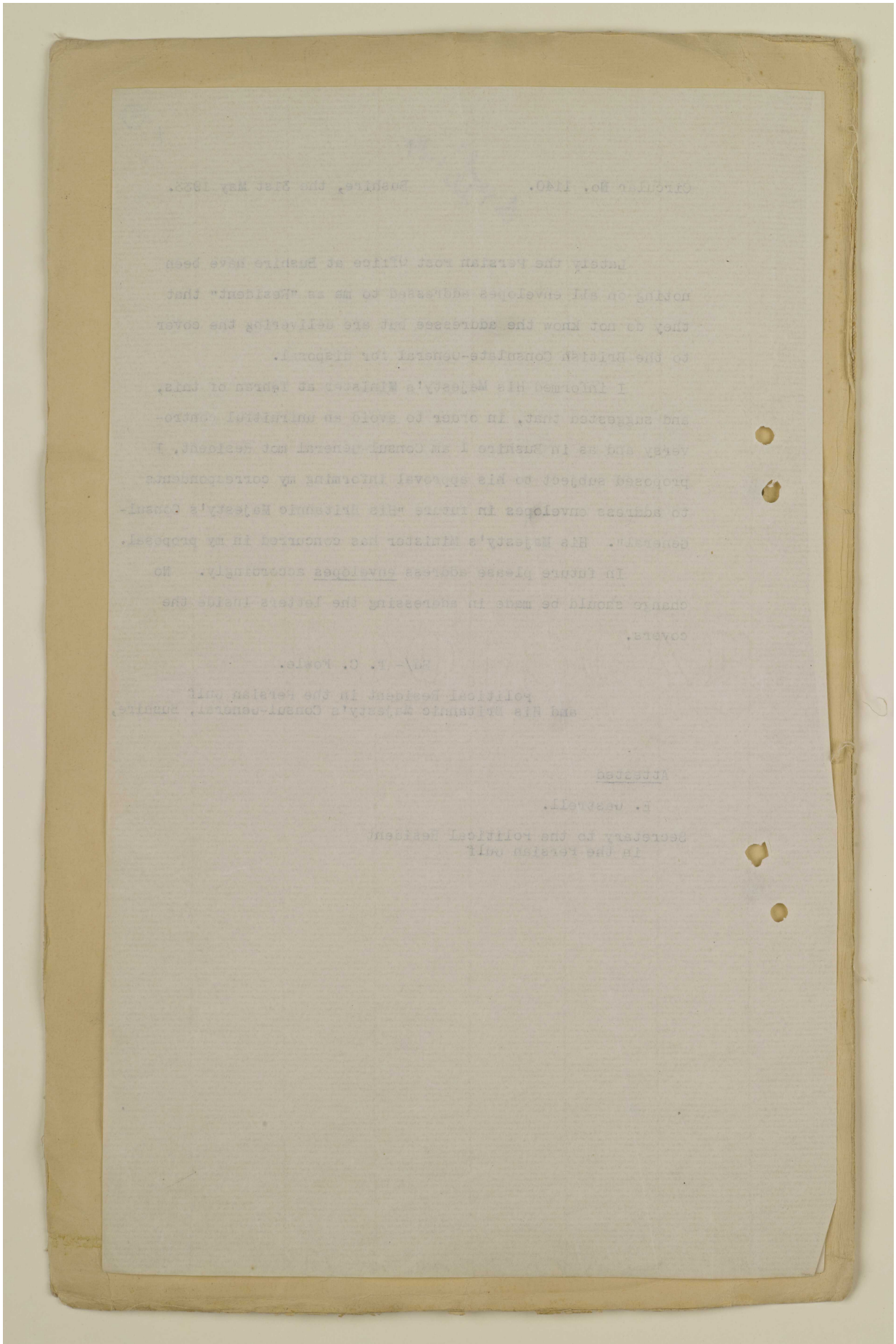
Sd/- T. C. Fowle.

Political Resident in the Persian Gulf  
and His Britannic Majesty's Consul-General, Bushire,

Attested

E. Gastrell.

Secretary to the Political Resident  
in the Persian Gulf





*Original  
in file  
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SECRET

No. 989-S of 1934

British Residency & Consulate-General

Bushire, the 29th October 1934.

To

The Political Agents,  
Muscat, Bahrain and Kuwait.

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C I R C U L A R

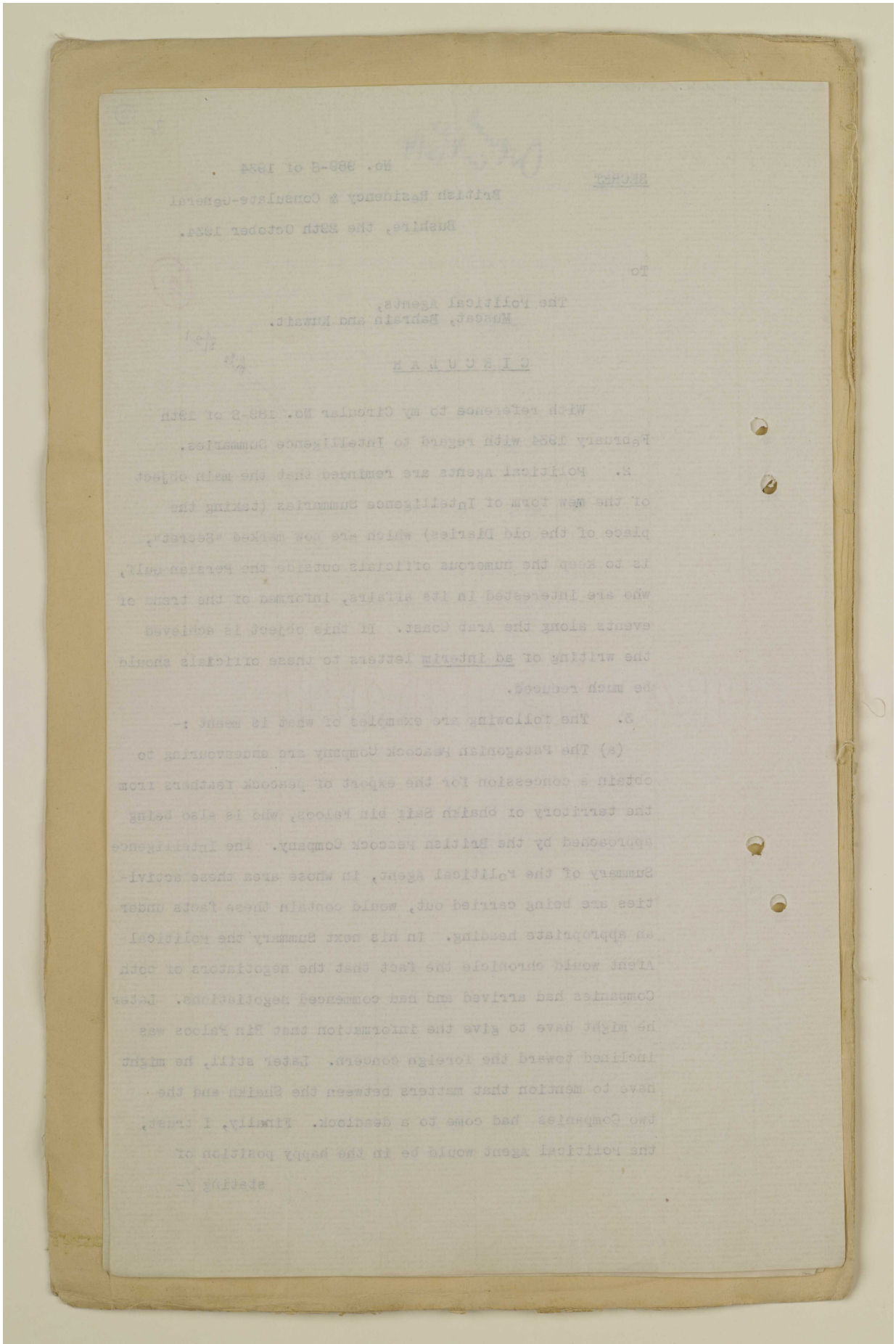
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With reference to my Circular No. 189-S of 19th February 1934 with regard to Intelligence Summaries.

2. Political Agents are reminded that the main object of the new form of Intelligence Summaries (taking the place of the old Diaries) which are now marked "Secret", is to keep the numerous officials outside the Persian Gulf, who are interested in its affairs, informed of the trend of events along the Arab Coast. If this object is achieved the writing of ad interim letters to these officials should be much reduced.

3. The following are examples of what is meant :-

(a) The Patagonian Peacock Company are endeavouring to obtain a concession for the export of peacock feathers from the territory of Shaikh Saif bin Faloos, who is also being approached by the British peacock Company. The Intelligence Summary of the Political Agent, in whose area these activities are being carried out, would contain these facts under an appropriate heading. In his next Summary the Political Agent would chronicle the fact that the negotiators of both Companies had arrived and had commenced negotiations. Later he might have to give the information that Bin Faloos was inclined toward the foreign concern. Later still, he might have to mention that matters between the Shaikh and the two Companies had come to a deadlock. Finally, I trust, the Political Agent would be in the happy position of stating /-





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stating that the British Company had secured the concession.

(b) The Royal Air Force wish to establish a base somewhere in a Political Agent's territory. There are the usual delays but finally the Royal Air Force get what they want. The Political Agent concerned would note these various steps in his Summaries.

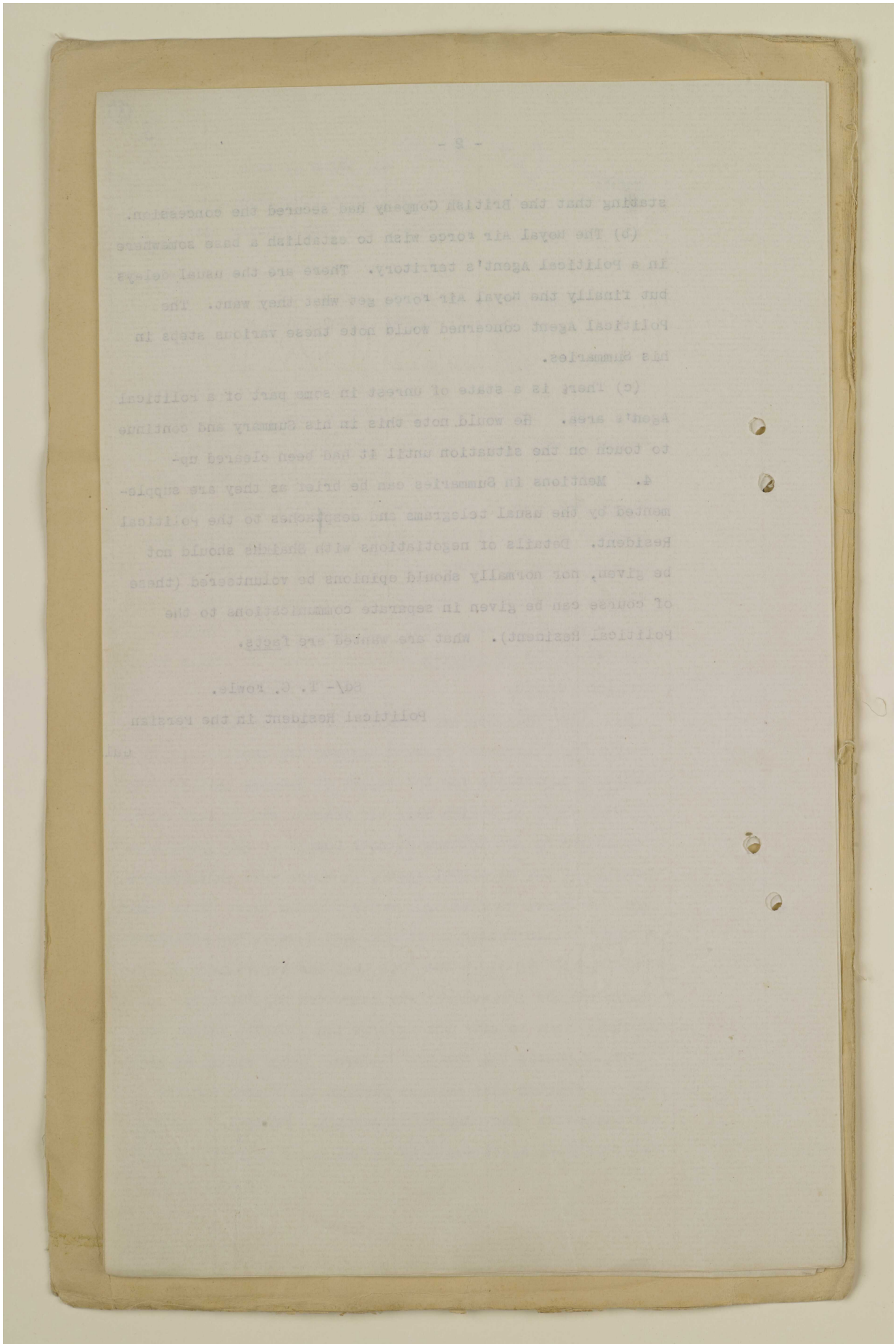
(c) There is a state of unrest in some part of a Political Agent's area. He would note this in his Summary and continue to touch on the situation until it had been cleared up-

4. Mentions in Summaries can be brief as they are supplemented by the usual telegrams and despatches to the Political Resident. Details of negotiations with Shaikhs should not be given, nor normally should opinions be volunteered (these of course can be given in separate communications to the Political Resident). What are wanted are facts.

Sd/- T. C. Fowle.

Political Resident in the Persian

Gul.





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No. 1119-S of 1934.

British Residency & Consulate-General,  
Bushire, the 29th November 1934.

To

The Political Agents, Muscat, Bahrain and Kuwait.

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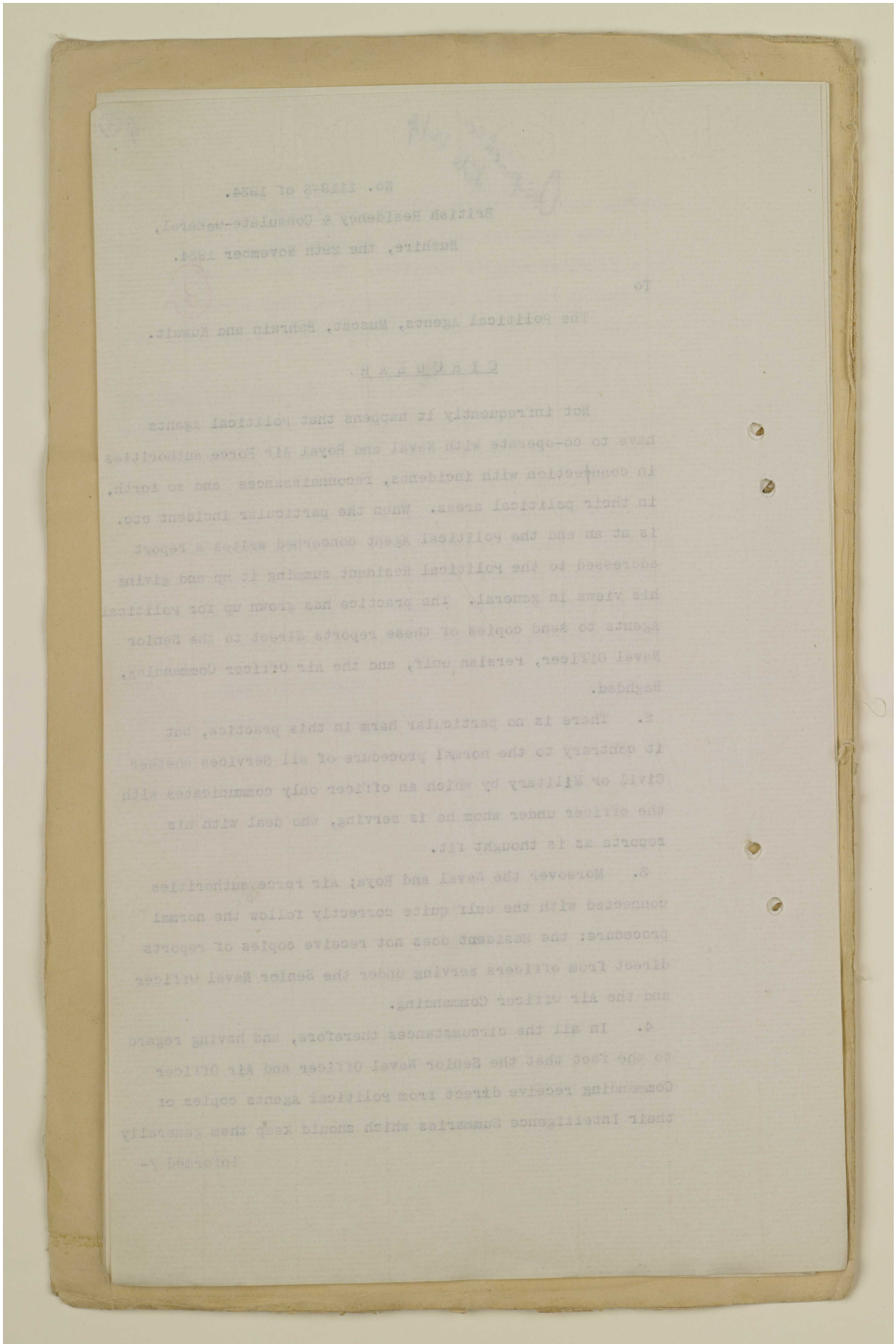
C I R C U L A R

Not infrequently it happens that Political Agents have to co-operate with Naval and Royal Air Force authorities in connection with incidents, reconnaissances and so forth, in their political areas. When the particular incident etc. is at an end the Political Agent concerned writes a report addressed to the Political Resident summing it up and giving his views in general. The practice has grown up for Political Agents to send copies of these reports direct to the Senior Naval Officer, Persian Gulf, and the Air Officer Commanding, Baghdad.

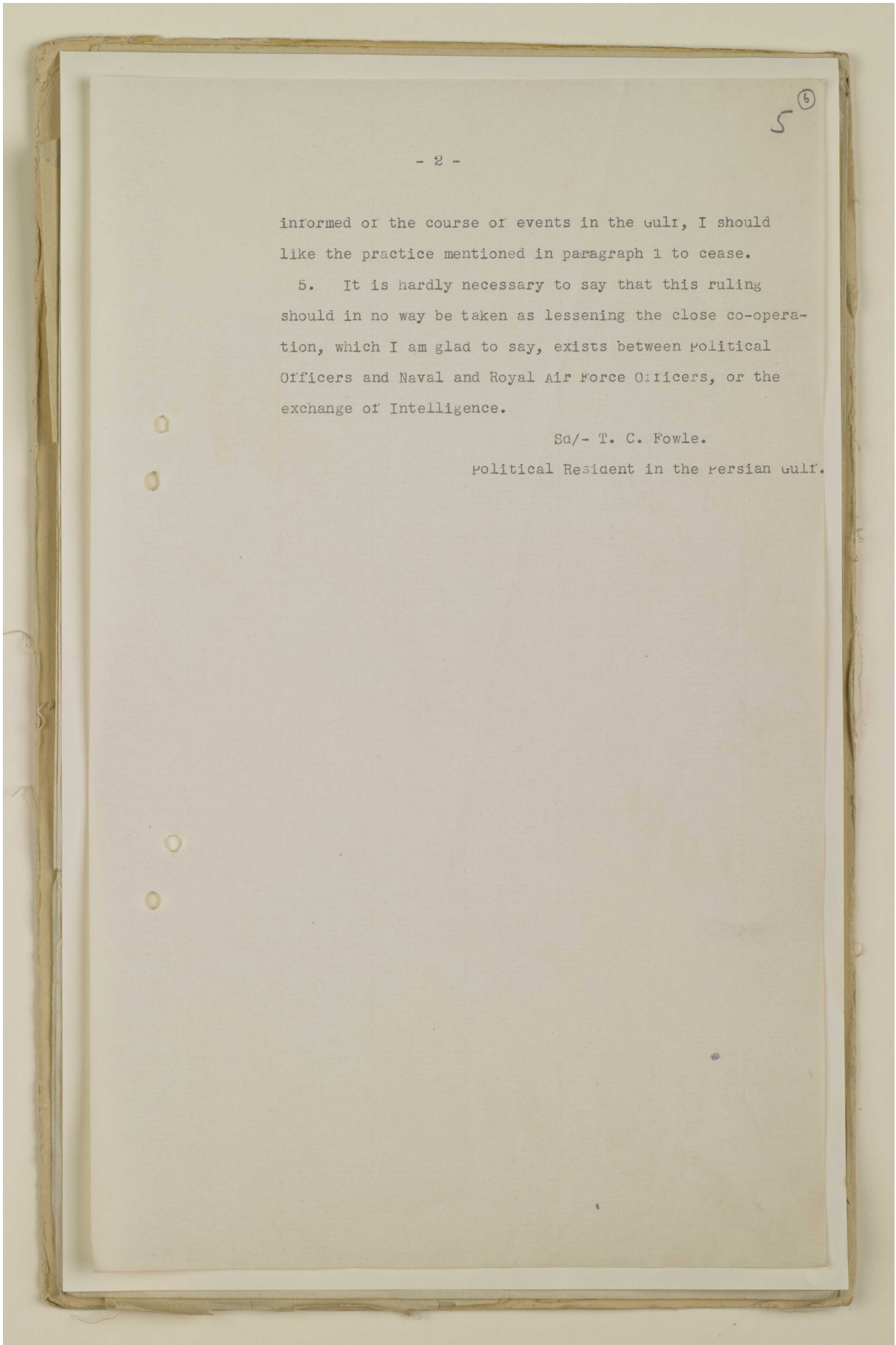
2. There is no particular harm in this practice, but it contrary to the normal procedure of all Services whether Civil or Military by which an officer only communicates with the officer under whom he is serving, who deal with his reports as is thought fit.

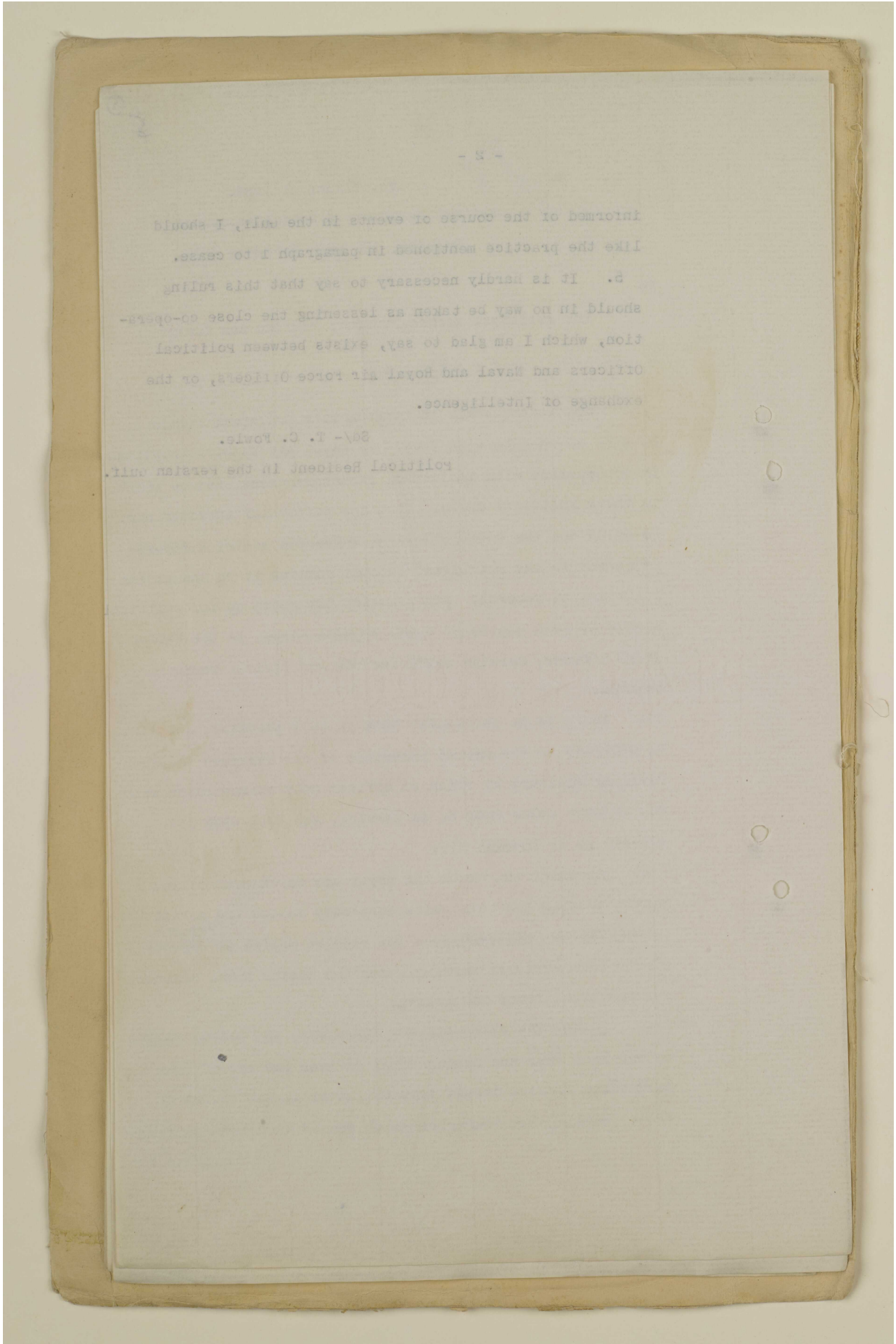
3. Moreover the Naval and Royal Air Force authorities connected with the Gulf quite correctly follow the normal procedure: the Resident does not receive copies of reports direct from officers serving under the Senior Naval Officer and the Air Officer Commanding.

4. In all the circumstances therefore, and having regard to the fact that the Senior Naval Officer and Air Officer Commanding receive direct from Political Agents copies of their Intelligence Summaries which should keep them generally informed /-











(Original at page 25 of file 3/1)

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D.O.No.C/234 of 1936.

Office of the Political Resident  
in the Persian Gulf,

Camp, Bahrain,

25th November 1936.

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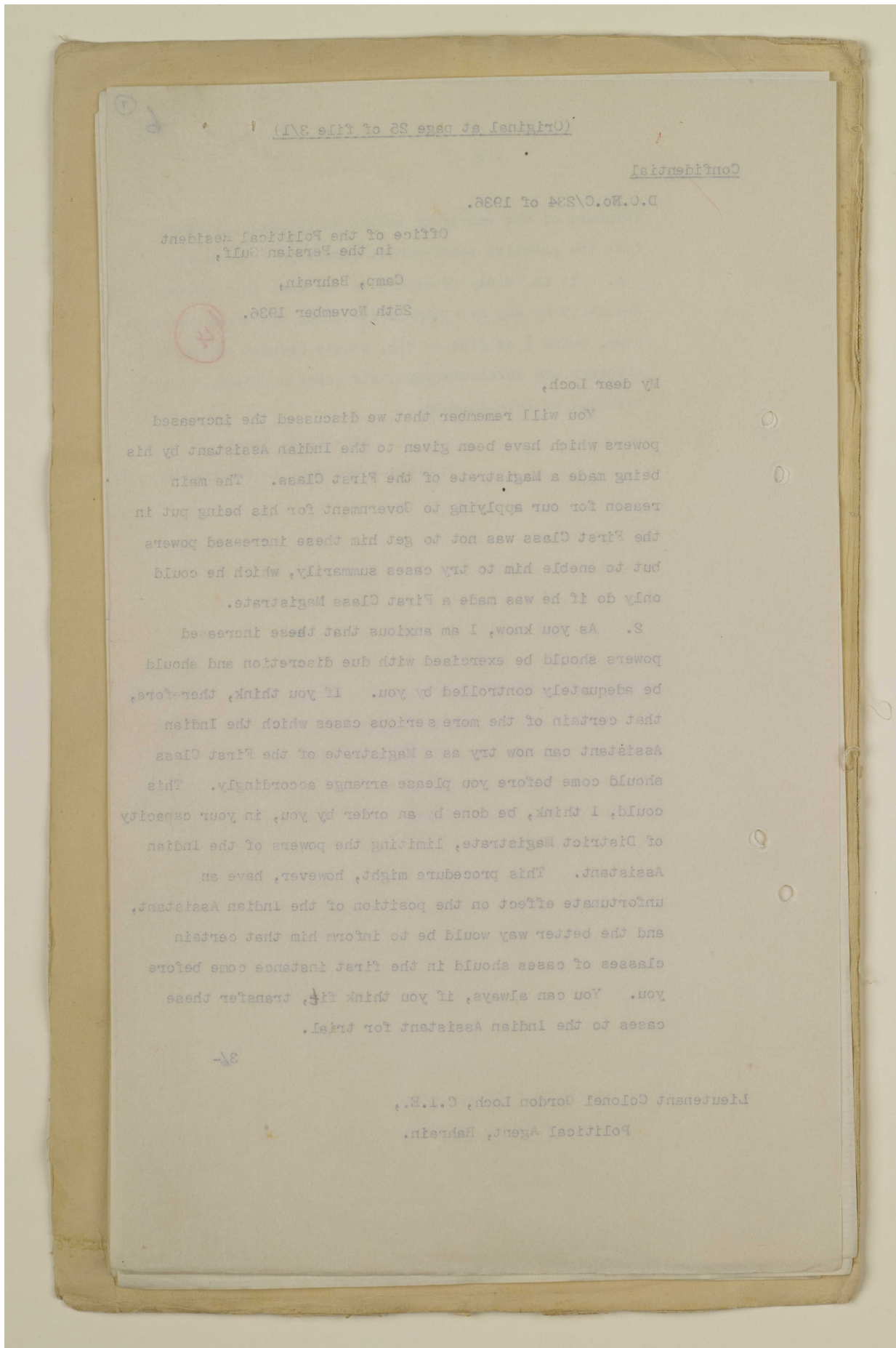
My dear Loch,

You will remember that we discussed the increased powers which have been given to the Indian Assistant by his being made a Magistrate of the First Class. The main reason for our applying to Government for his being put in the First Class was not to get him these increased powers but to enable him to try cases summarily, which he could only do if he was made a First Class Magistrate.

2. As you know, I am anxious that these increased powers should be exercised with due discretion and should be adequately controlled by you. If you think, therefore, that certain of the more serious cases which the Indian Assistant can now try as a Magistrate of the First Class should come before you please arrange accordingly. This could, I think, be done by an order by you, in your capacity of District Magistrate, limiting the powers of the Indian Assistant. This procedure might, however, have an unfortunate effect on the position of the Indian Assistant, and the better way would be to inform him that certain classes of cases should in the first instance come before you. You can always, if you think fit, transfer these cases to the Indian Assistant for trial.

3/-

Lieutenant Colonel Gordon Loch, C.I.E.,  
Political Agent, Bahrain.





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3. With regard to the summary powers of the Indian Assistant I enclose two copies of a note which you may find of use. One copy of the note might be given to the Indian Assistant for his guidance. You will see, vide last paragraph of the note, that even in cases tried summarily there is now an appeal except when a sentence of a fine only not exceeding Rs. 200 has been passed.

4. While on the subject of judicial procedure in Bahrain, you are aware of course that under section 268 of the Code of Criminal Procedure all trials by a Sessions Judge must be either by jury or with the aid of assessors. The Sessions Judge in Bahrain, i.e. the Political Agent, is however also the District Magistrate, and the special powers mentioned in section 30 of the Code of Criminal Procedure were, I understand, accorded to him in Prior's time (you might check this and let me have the reference). This being so, jury or assessors can be dispensed with by the Political Agent trying, as District Magistrate, and not as Sessions Judge, all offences not punishable with death. If, however, it is desired to give a punishment of transportation exceeding seven years or of imprisonment exceeding seven years, the Political Agent, will have to try the offence in his capacity of Sessions Judge.

5. As this letter deals with certain general principles of Bahrain judicial procedure it should be brought to the notice of successive Assistant Political Agents, Bahrain, and also to new Political Agents, on taking over.

Yours sincerely,  
Sd. T. C. Fowle.

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Yours sincerely,  
Ed. T. C. Fowler.



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P.R.

As directed, I submit the following precis of jurisdictional powers, powers of punishment, and procedure in regard to summary trials by a Magistrate of the First Class specially empowered under Sec.260 of the Code of Criminal Procedure. References are to Sohoni, 13th Edn.

p.135 C.P.C.

A. JURISDICTION

pp. 644-5

This is defined in sec.260. It is limited to (a) offences not punishable with death, transportation or imprisonment for a term exceeding 6 months, and

pp 19, 20, 21 of I.P.C.

(b) certain other offences which are specified in sec.260. Of the offences so specified, those falling under secs. 379, 380, 381, 403, 411 and 414 of the Indian Penal Code are triable summarily only when the value of the property involved does not exceed Rs. 50.

p. 645

A further limitation under sec. 260 is that no case in which a Magistrate exercises the special powers conferred by sec. 34 can be tried summarily (This does not affect the Indian Assistant, who does not enjoy these special powers, but it does the Political Agent, who, in his capacity of District Magistrate, is so empowered).

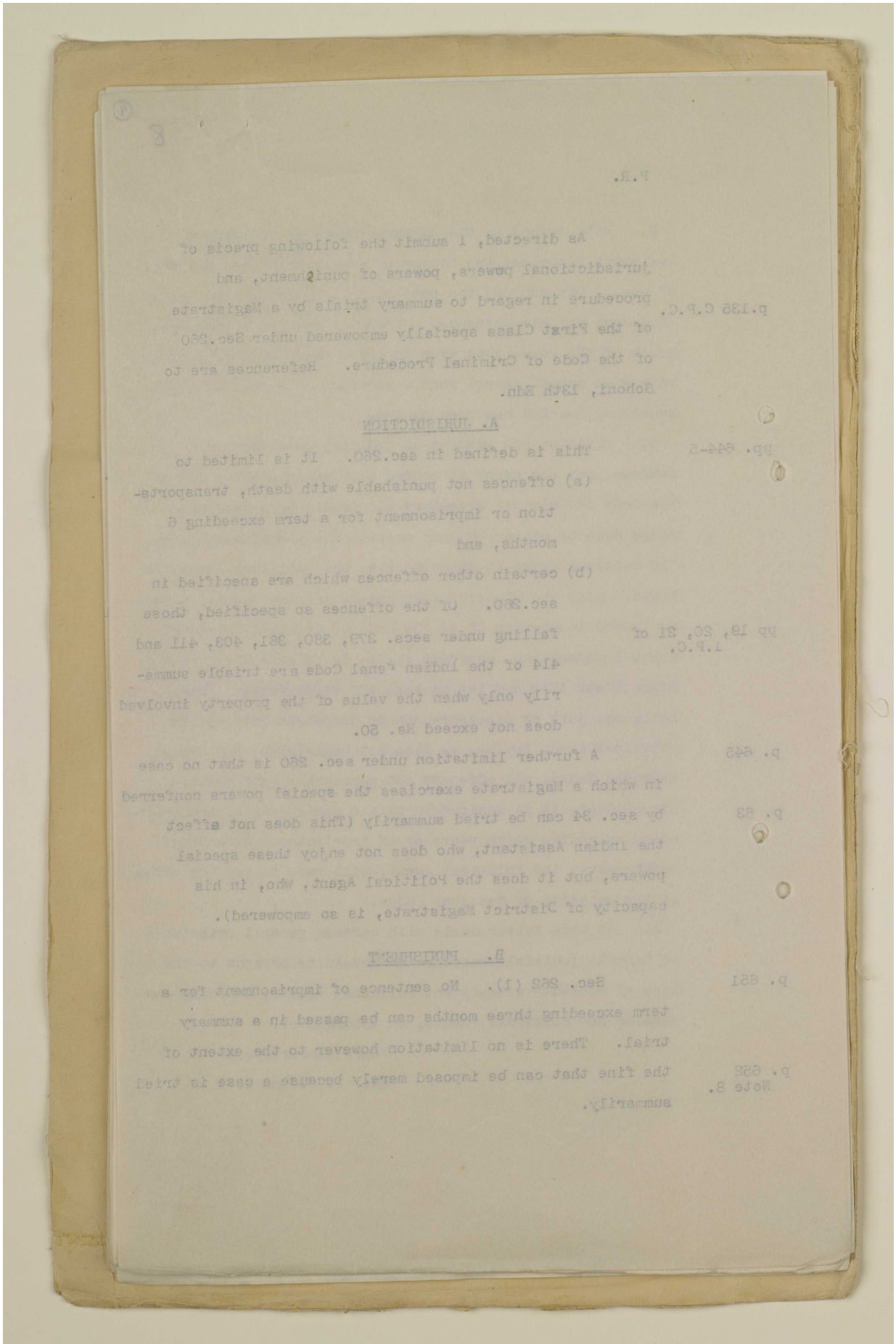
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B. PUNISHMENT

p. 651

Sec. 262 (1). No sentence of imprisonment for a term exceeding three months can be passed in a summary trial. There is no limitation however to the extent of the fine that can be imposed merely because a case is tried summarily.

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Note 8.





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C. PROCEDURE

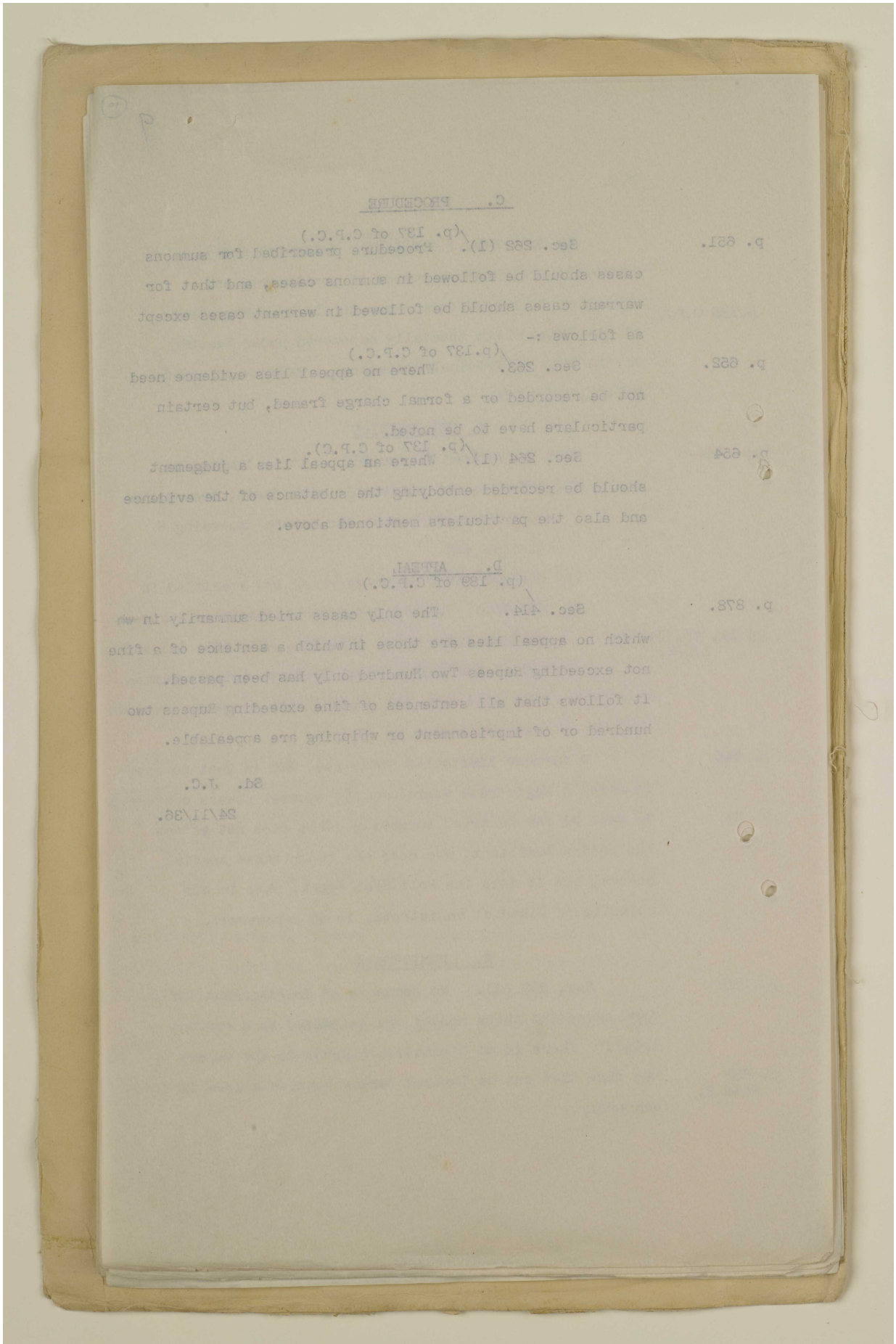
- p. 651. Sec. 262 (1).<sup>(p. 137 of C.P.C.)</sup> Procedure prescribed for summons cases should be followed in summons cases, and that for warrant cases should be followed in warrant cases except as follows :-
- p. 652. Sec. 263.<sup>(p. 137 of C.P.C.)</sup> Where no appeal lies evidence need not be recorded or a formal charge framed, but certain particulars have to be noted.
- p. 654. Sec. 264 (1).<sup>(p. 137 of C.P.C.)</sup> Where an appeal lies a judgement should be recorded embodying the substance of the evidence and also the particulars mentioned above.

D. APPEAL  
(p. 139 of C.P.C.)

- p. 878. Sec. 414. The only cases tried summarily in which no appeal lies are those in which a sentence of a fine not exceeding Rupees Two Hundred only has been passed. It follows that all sentences of fine exceeding Rupees two hundred or of imprisonment or whipping are appealable.

Sd. J.C.

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D.O.No.C/546-3/1.

Dated the 10th December 1936.

My dear Fowle,

Will you kindly refer to your demi-official letter No.C-234 dated the 25th November 1936 about the increased powers of the Indian Assistant.

2. Paragraph 2 of your letter. There are comparatively few cases which will come before the Indian Assistant in virtue of his increased powers and I have, therefore, arranged that in each case he will consult me personally before taking it up.

3. Paragraph 3 of your letter. A copy of the note has been given to the Indian Assistant.

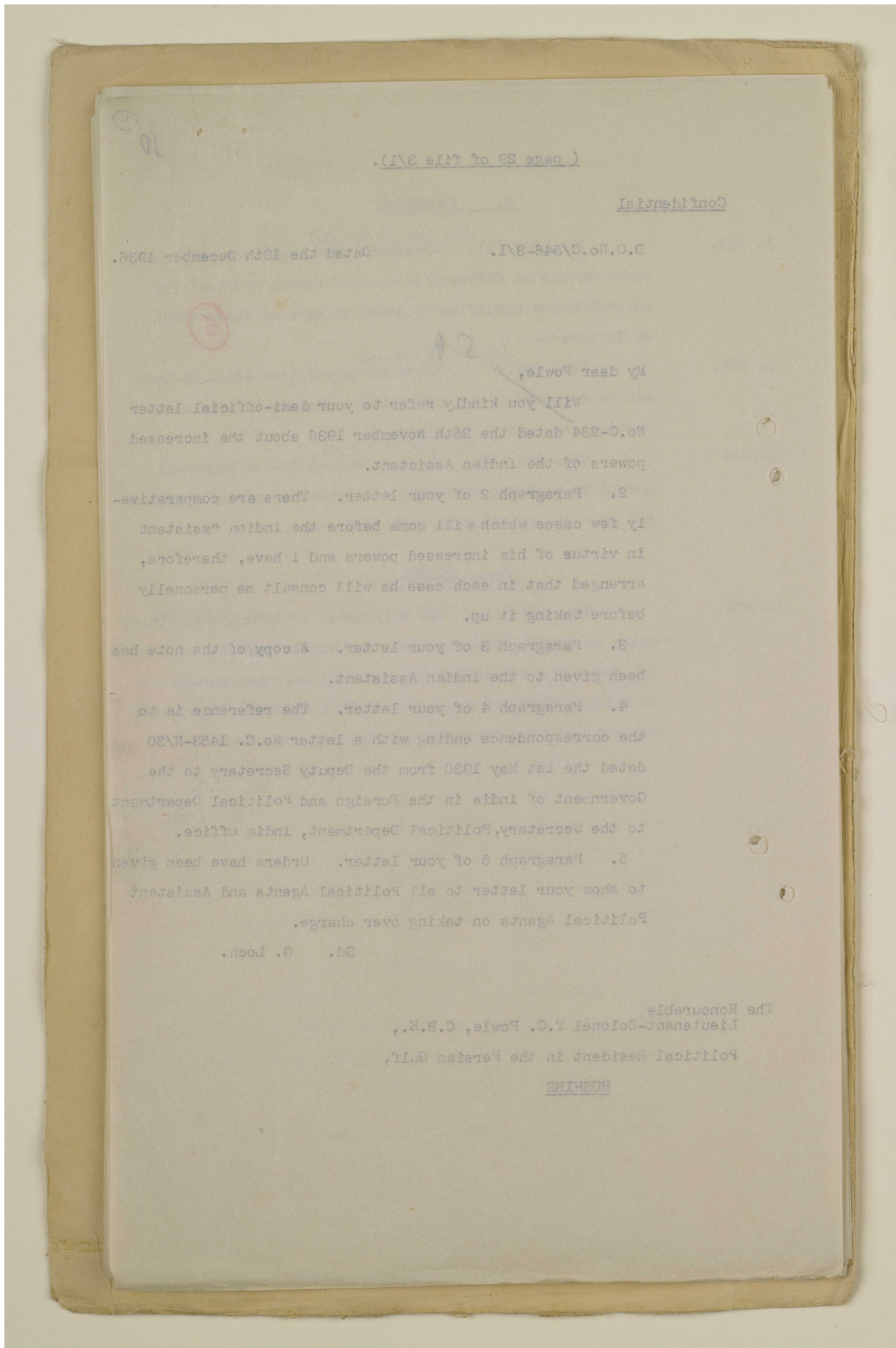
4. Paragraph 4 of your letter. The reference is to the correspondence ending with a letter No.C. 1453-N/30 dated the 1st May 1930 from the Deputy Secretary to the Government of India in the Foreign and Political Department to the Secretary, Political Department, India Office.

5. Paragraph 5 of your letter. Orders have been given to show your letter to all Political Agents and Assistant Political Agents on taking over charge.

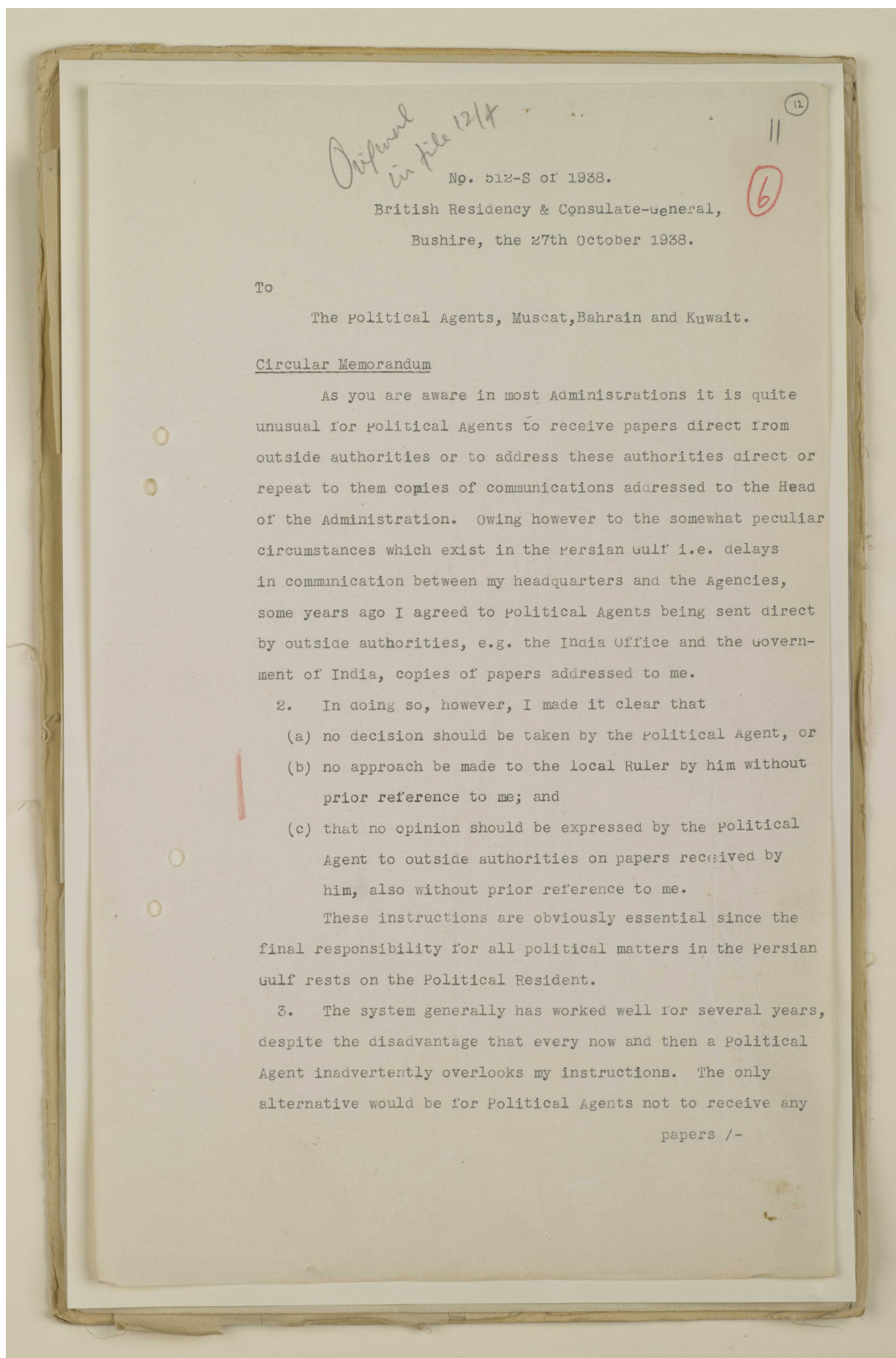
Sd. G. Loch.

The Honourable  
Lieutenant-Colonel T.C. Fowle, C.B.E.,  
Political Resident in the Persian Gulf,

BUSHIRE







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No. 512-S of 1938.

British Residency & Consulate-General,  
Bushire, the 27th October 1938.

To

The Political Agents, Muscat, Bahrain and Kuwait.

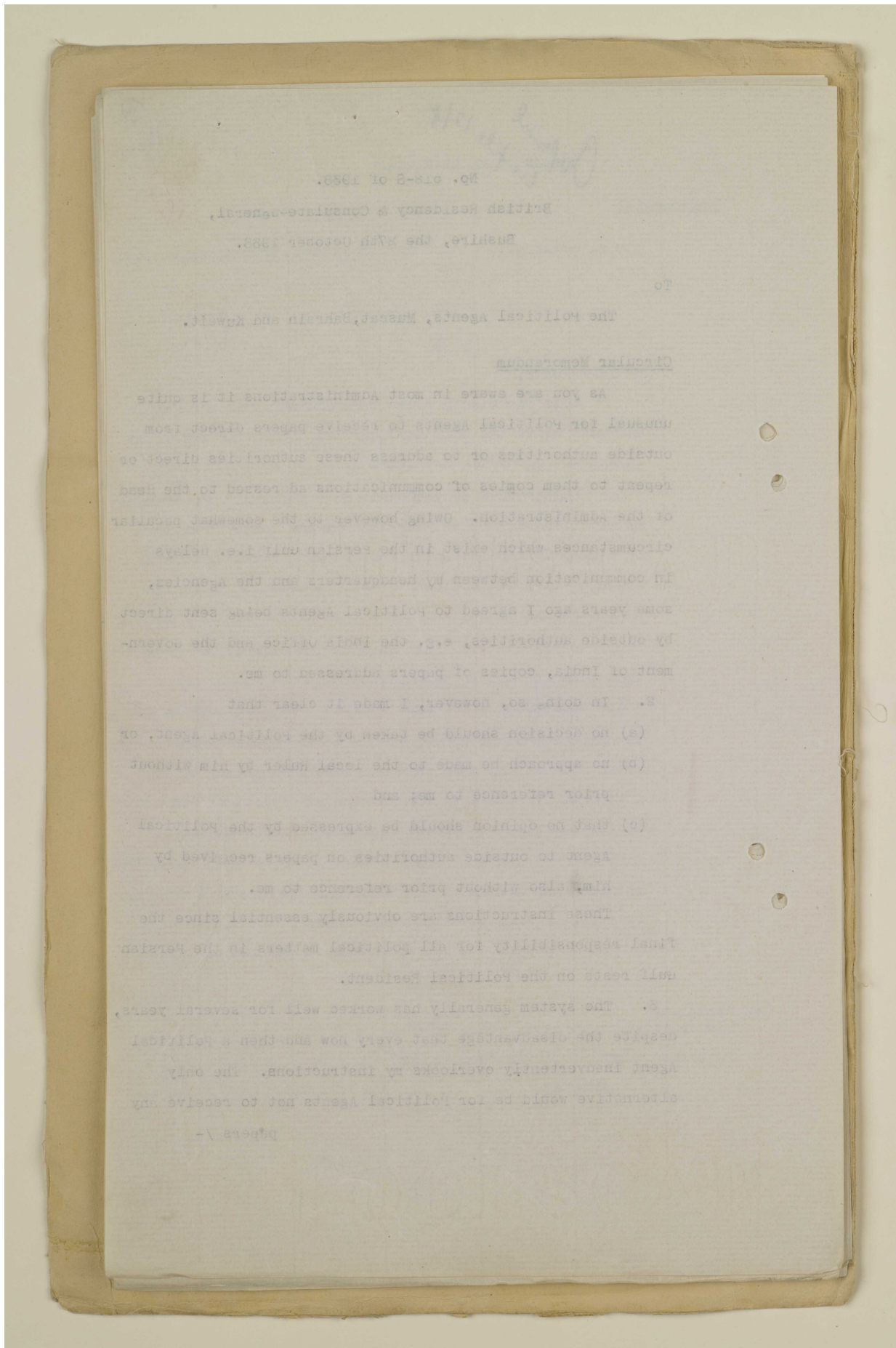
Circular Memorandum

As you are aware in most Administrations it is quite unusual for Political Agents to receive papers direct from outside authorities or to address these authorities direct or repeat to them copies of communications addressed to the Head of the Administration. Owing however to the somewhat peculiar circumstances which exist in the Persian Gulf i.e. delays in communication between my headquarters and the Agencies, some years ago I agreed to Political Agents being sent direct by outside authorities, e.g. the India Office and the Government of India, copies of papers addressed to me.

2. In doing so, however, I made it clear that
- (a) no decision should be taken by the Political Agent, or
  - (b) no approach be made to the local Ruler by him without prior reference to me; and
  - (c) that no opinion should be expressed by the Political Agent to outside authorities on papers received by him, also without prior reference to me.

These instructions are obviously essential since the final responsibility for all political matters in the Persian Gulf rests on the Political Resident.

3. The system generally has worked well for several years, despite the disadvantage that every now and then a Political Agent inadvertently overlooks my instructions. The only alternative would be for Political Agents not to receive any papers /-





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papers direct, which would result in much delay and additional labour.

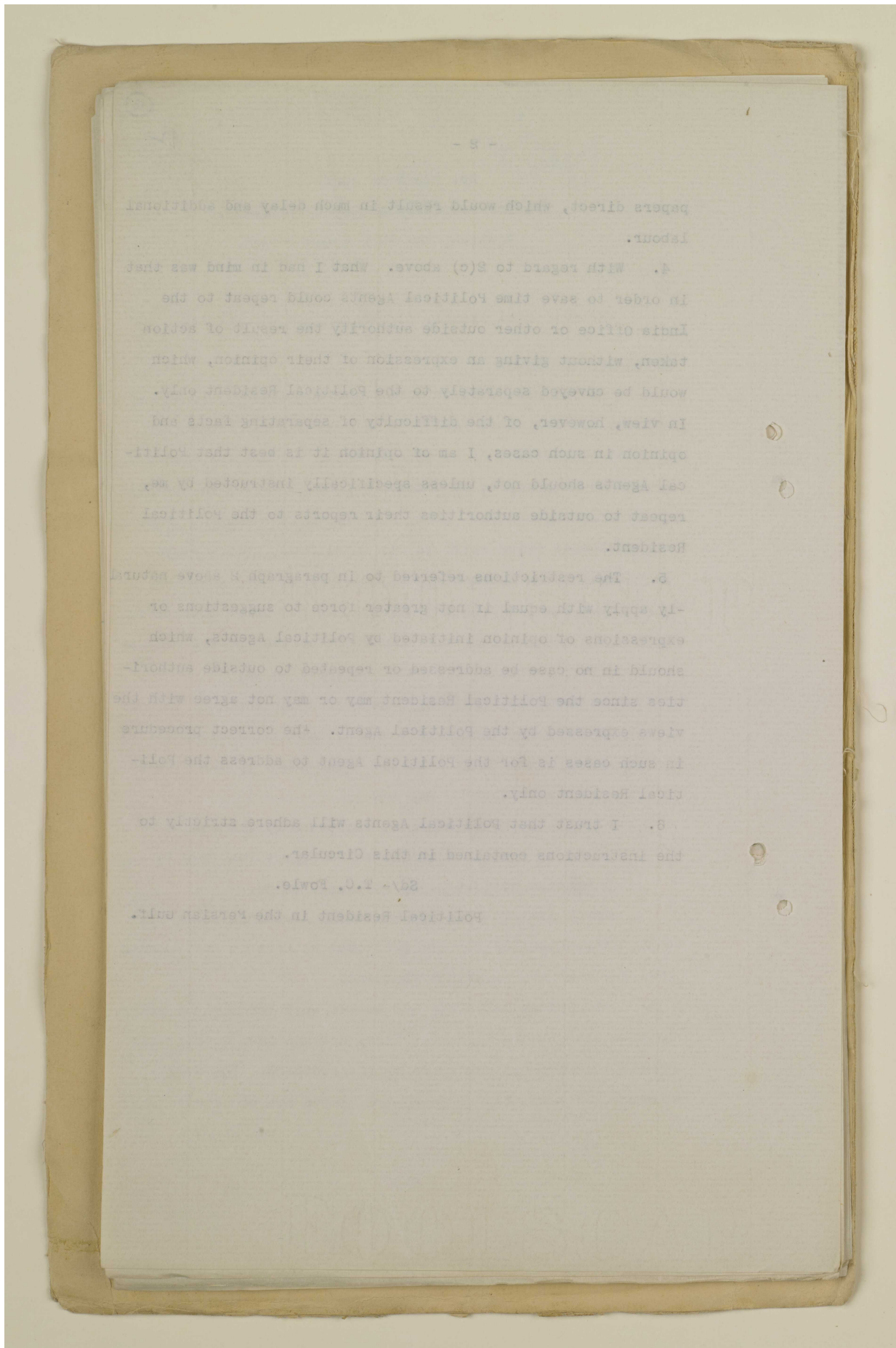
4. With regard to 2(c) above. What I had in mind was that in order to save time Political Agents could repeat to the India Office or other outside authority the result of action taken, without giving an expression of their opinion, which would be conveyed separately to the Political Resident only. In view, however, of the difficulty of separating facts and opinion in such cases, I am of opinion it is best that Political Agents should not, unless specifically instructed by me, repeat to outside authorities their reports to the Political Resident.

5. The restrictions referred to in paragraph 2 above naturally apply with equal if not greater force to suggestions or expressions of opinion initiated by Political Agents, which should in no case be addressed or repeated to outside authorities since the Political Resident may or may not agree with the views expressed by the Political Agent. The correct procedure in such cases is for the Political Agent to address the Political Resident only.

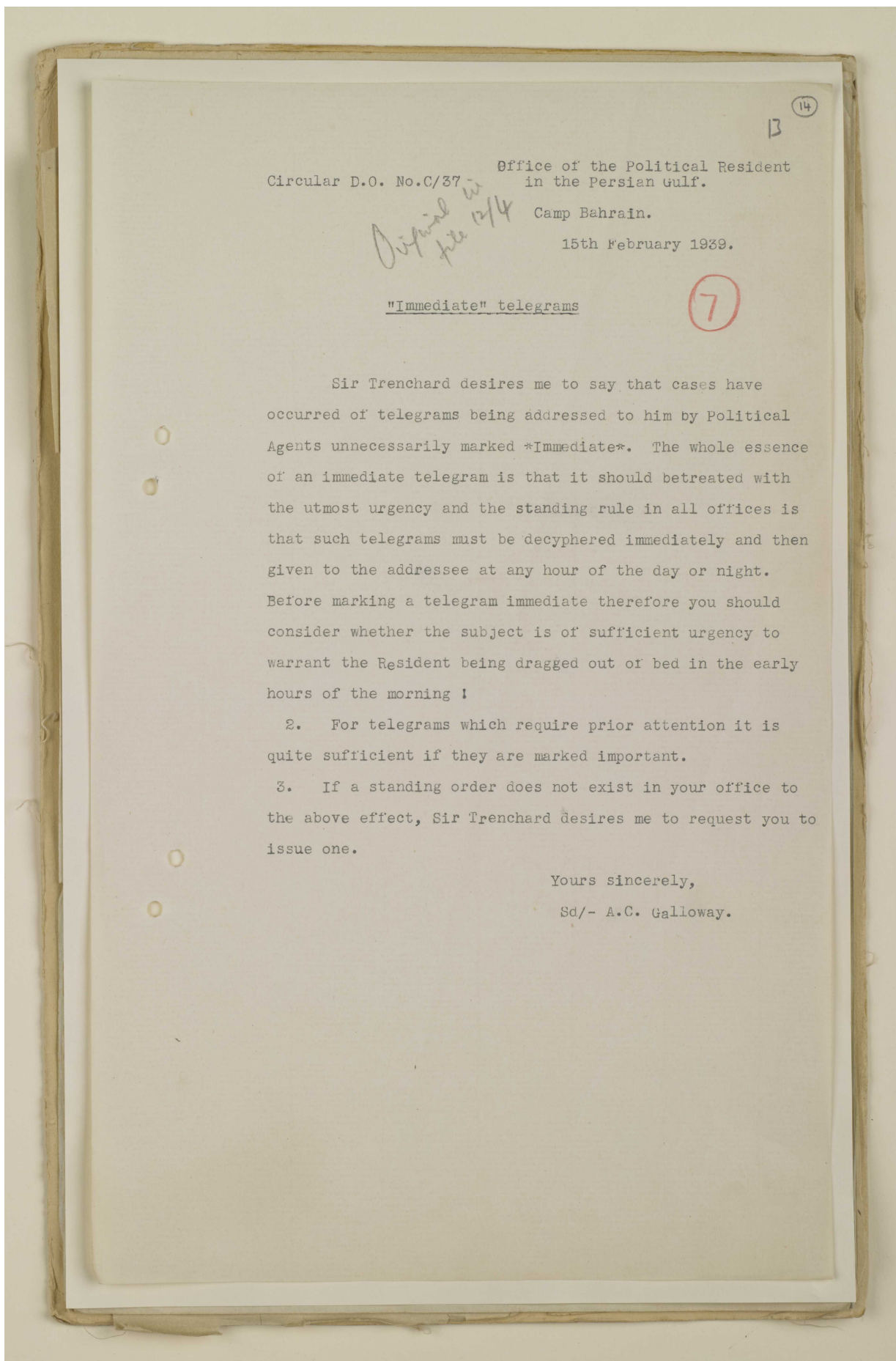
6. I trust that Political Agents will adhere strictly to the instructions contained in this Circular.

Sd/- T.C. Fowle.

Political Resident in the Persian Gulf.







Circular D.O. No.C/37 Office of the Political Resident  
in the Persian Gulf.

Camp Bahrain.

15th February 1939.

"Immediate" telegrams

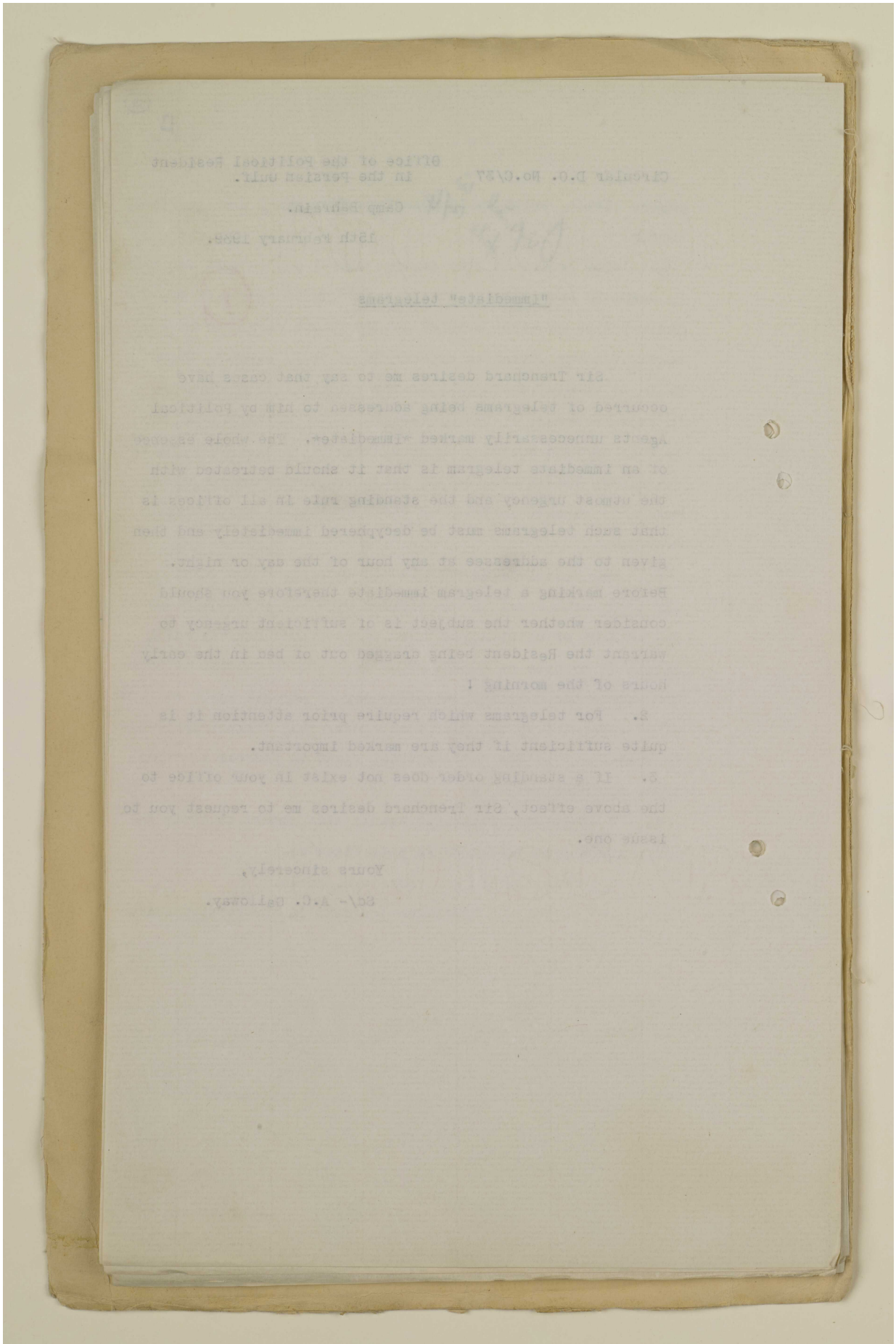
Sir Trenchard desires me to say that cases have occurred of telegrams being addressed to him by Political Agents unnecessarily marked \*Immediate\*. The whole essence of an immediate telegram is that it should be treated with the utmost urgency and the standing rule in all offices is that such telegrams must be decyphered immediately and then given to the addressee at any hour of the day or night. Before marking a telegram immediate therefore you should consider whether the subject is of sufficient urgency to warrant the Resident being dragged out of bed in the early hours of the morning !

2. For telegrams which require prior attention it is quite sufficient if they are marked important.

3. If a standing order does not exist in your office to the above effect, Sir Trenchard desires me to request you to issue one.

Yours sincerely,

Sd/- A.C. Galloway.





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(Original at page 74 file 17/1-II)

No. 375-S of 1940

The Residency,  
Bushire, 6th June 1940.

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Dear Weightman,

Please refer to your semi-official letter No. C/428-17/1 dated the 20th May 1940.

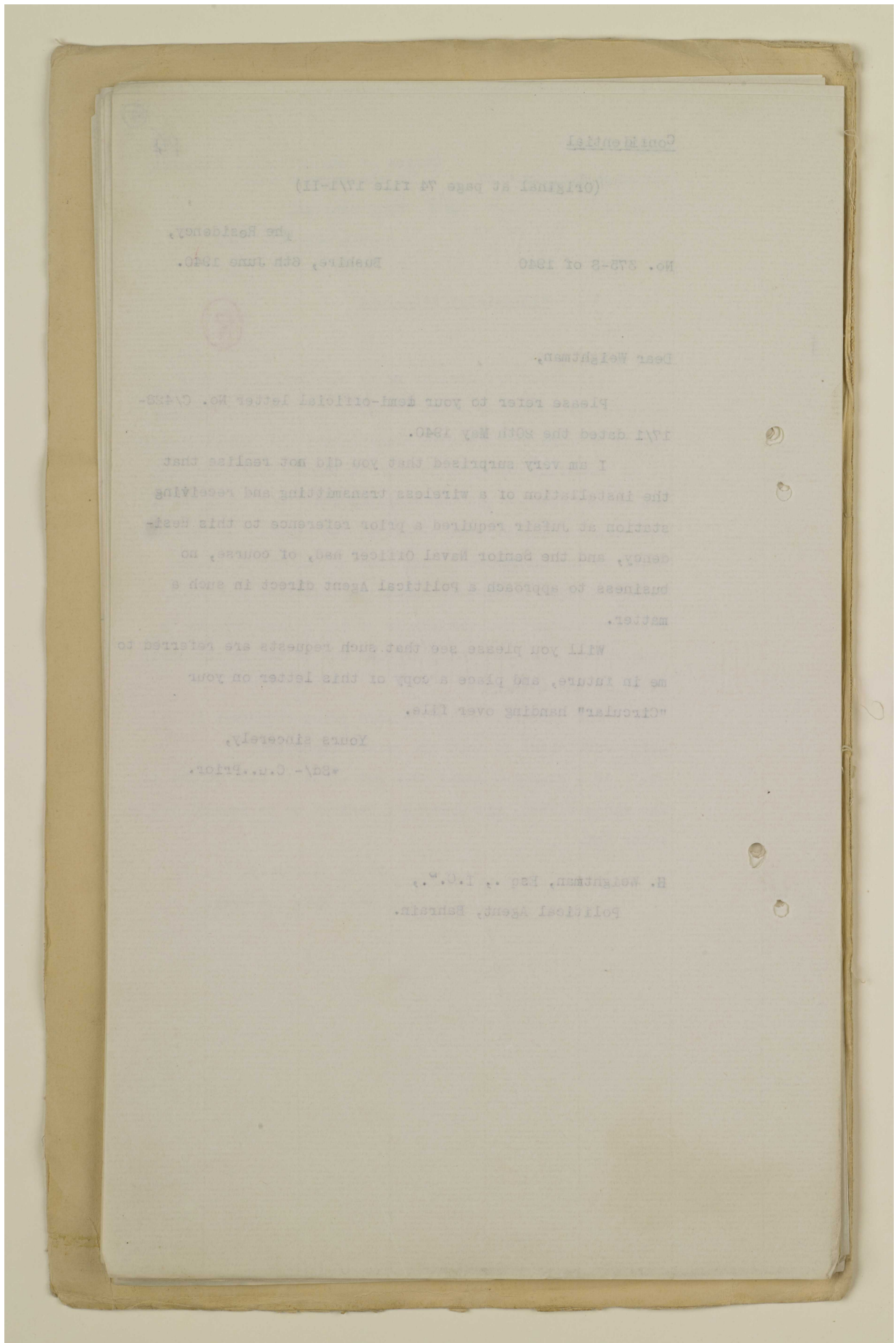
I am very surprised that you did not realise that the installation of a wireless transmitting and receiving station at Jufair required a prior reference to this Residency, and the Senior Naval Officer had, of course, no business to approach a Political Agent direct in such a matter.

Will you please see that such requests are referred to me in future, and place a copy of this letter on your "Circular" handing over file.

Yours sincerely,

Sd/- C.G..Prior.

H. Weightman, Esq ., I.C.S.,  
Political Agent, Bahrain.





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(Original at page 264. file 2/2)

No. 524-S of 1940

British Residency & Consulate General

Bushire, the 18th July 1940

To

The Political Agent, Bahrain

The Political Agent, Kuwait

The Political Agent, Muscat.

Memorandum

Political Agents are reminded that every care should be taken to ensure that publications classified "F.O.U.O." and "Not to be published" do not fall into unauthorised hands and their attention is drawn to Rule 9 of the "Rules for the Security of Official documents and correspondence, 1938" which should be scrupulously observed: This rule prescribes, inter alia, that such documents must not be kept in rooms to which unauthorised persons have access.

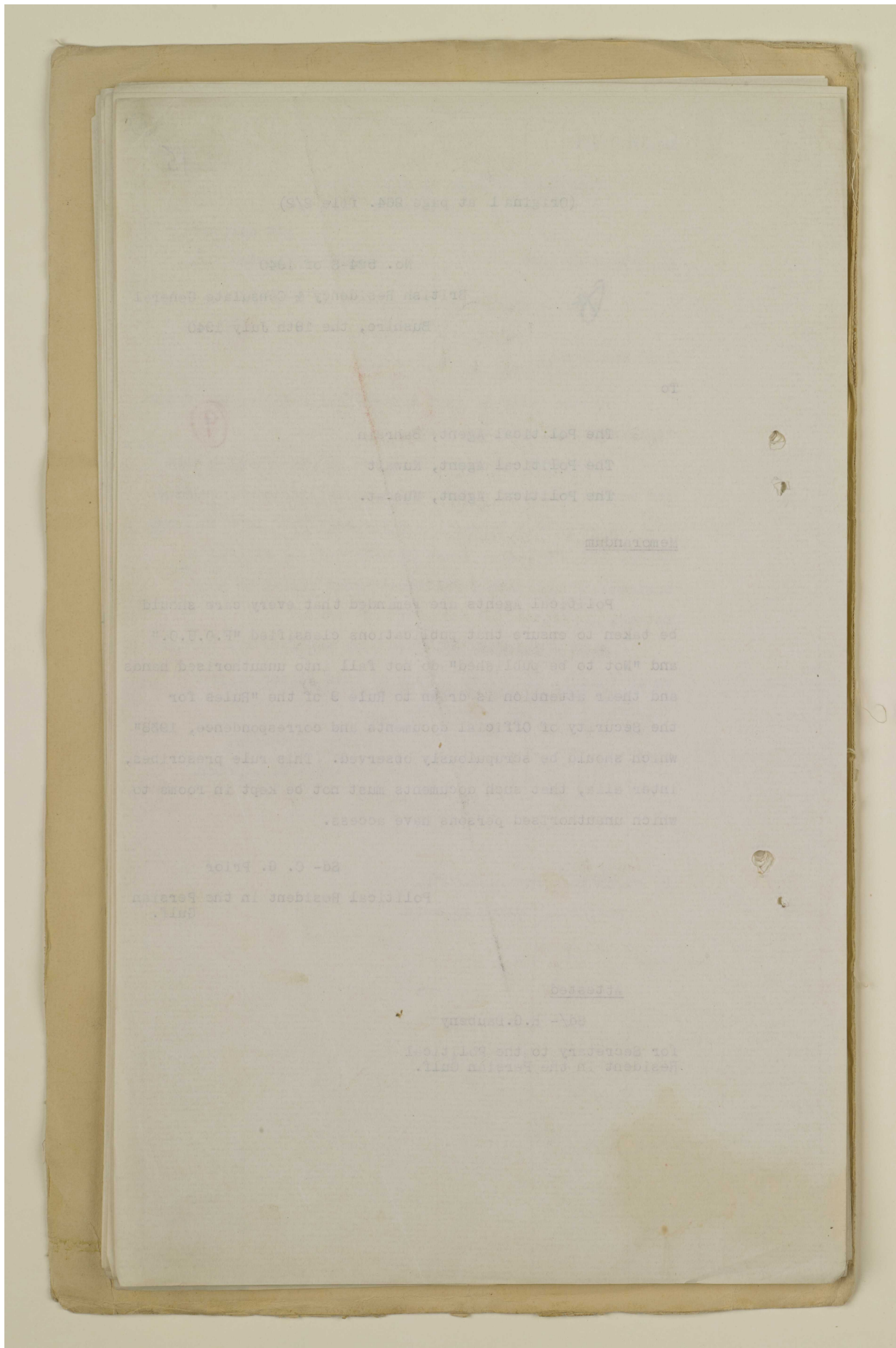
Sd- C. G. Prior

Political Resident in the Persian Gulf.

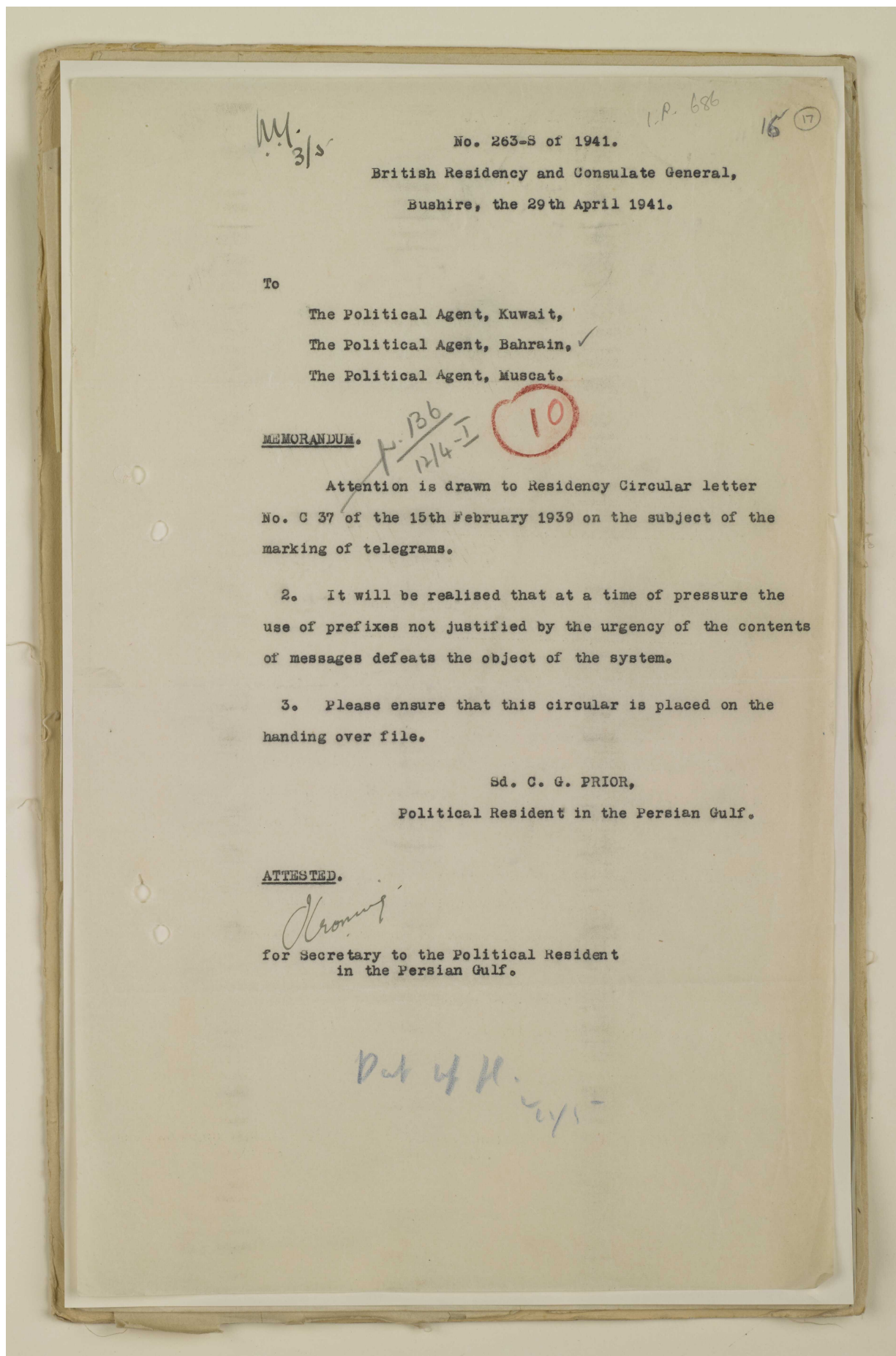
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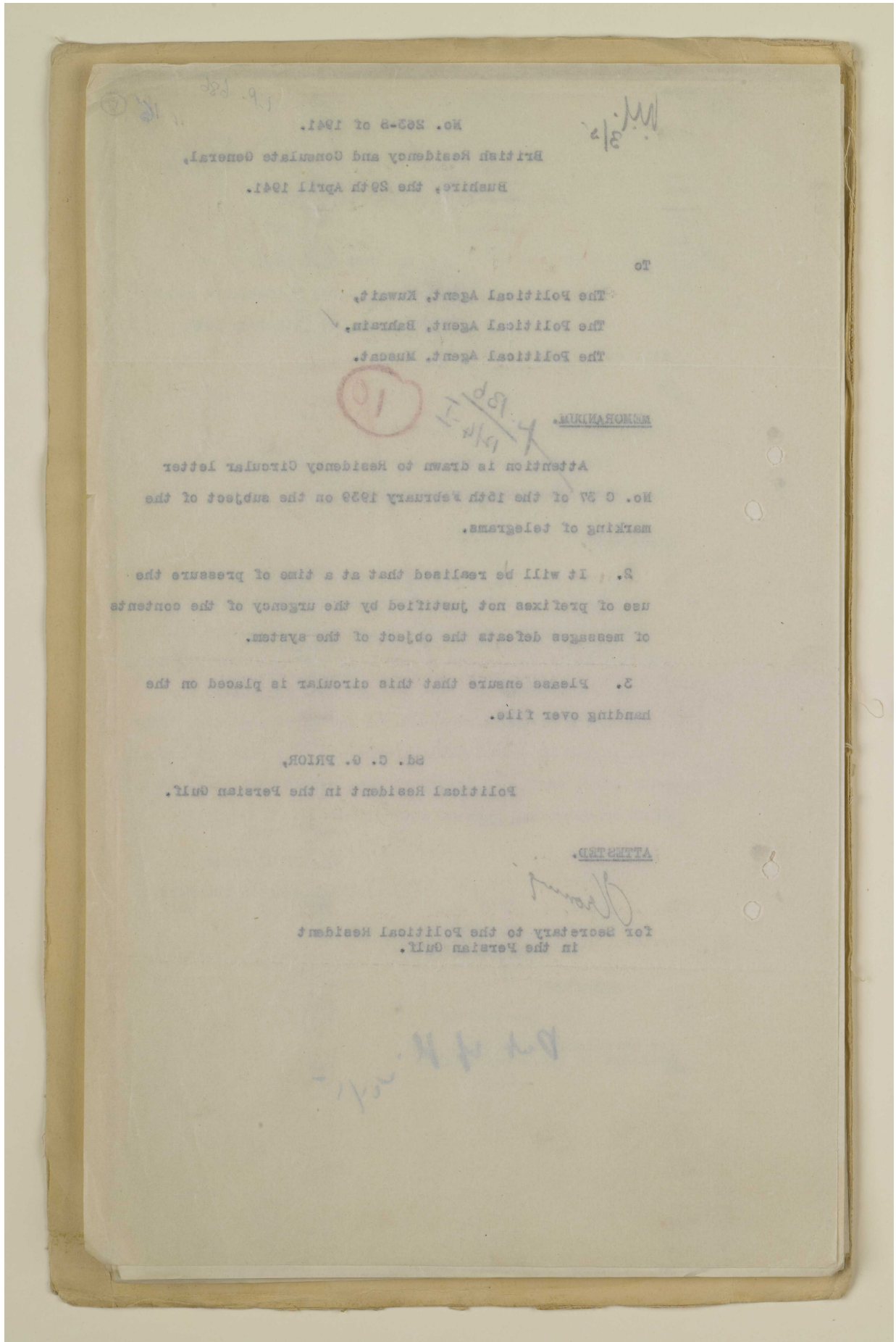
Sd/- R.G. Daubeny

for Secretary to the Political Resident in the Persian Gulf.











(Original at page 2 of C.O.file 12/4-II)

No. 266-S of 1941

British Residency & Consulate General,  
Bushire, the 30th April 1941.

To

The Political Agent, Kuwait.  
The Political Agent, Bahrain  
The Political Agent, Muscat.

Copy to His Majesty's Minister, Tehran  
His Majesty's Consul, Basra.

Memorandum

It has been learnt that when I am on tour on the Arab Coast the Consulate at Basra experiences some difficulty in deciding whether packages addressed "His Britannic Majesty's Consul-General, Bushire" and sent to Basra for onward transmission should be forwarded to Bushire or sent to me wherever I may be, e.g. at Kuwait.

2. In order to obviate this difficulty all matter for transmission to Bushire should be enclosed in separate covers addressed to "His Majesty's Consul, Bushire" and only that intended to be forwarded to me wherever I am should be enclosed in covers addressed "His Britannic Majesty's Consul-General, Bushire". Safe hand matter from other posts, e.g. India Office, Mice, Jedda, etc., are addressed to me as "Consul, General" or "Political Resident in the Persian Gulf" and automatically fall within the latter category.

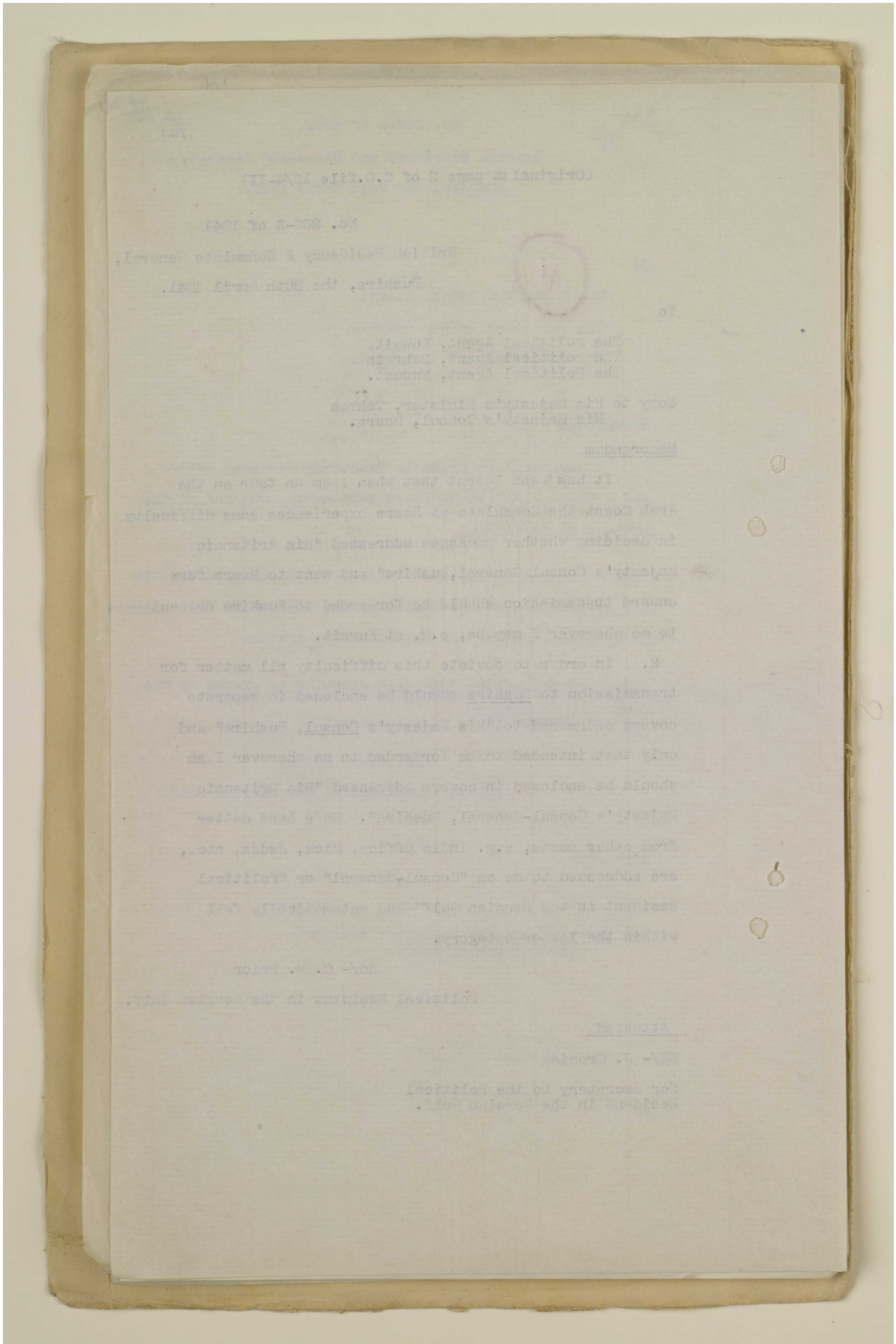
Sd/- C. G. Prior

Political Resident in the Persian Gulf.

Attested

Sd/- J. Croning

for Secretary to the Political  
Resident in the Persian Gulf.





Original in E.O. file 18 <sup>(19)</sup>

Circular.

No. 601

British Consulate-General,

Bushire,

Dated 15th May 1941.

To

The Political Agent, Muscat  
The Political Agent, Bahrain.  
The Political Agent, Kuwait.

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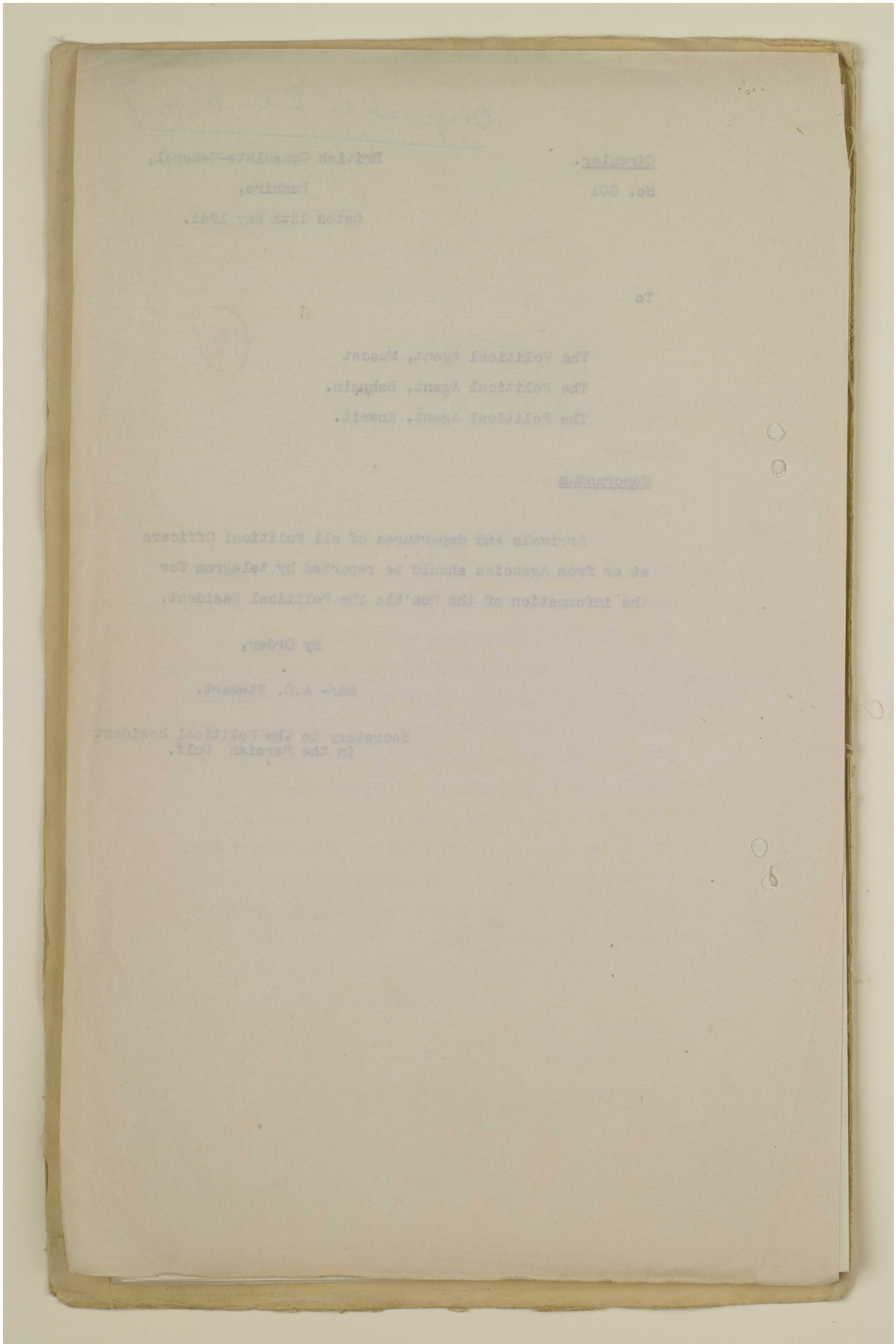
Memorandum

Arrivals and departures of all Political Officers  
at or from Agencies should be reported by telegram for  
the information of the Hon'ble the Political Resident.

By Order,

Sd/- A.C. Stewart.

Secretary to the Political Resident  
in the Persian Gulf.





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No.C/421 of 1941.

Office of the Political Resident  
in the Persian Gulf, Camp Bahrain.

4th September 1941.

To

The Political Agent, Kuwait,  
The Political Agent, Bahrain, ✓  
The Political Agent, Muscat.

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MEMORANDUM.

Subject:- Supply of spare copies.

Attention is invited to the instructions contained in Residency Memorandum No.636-S, dated the 10th June 1933, which have not been observed in several recent instances.

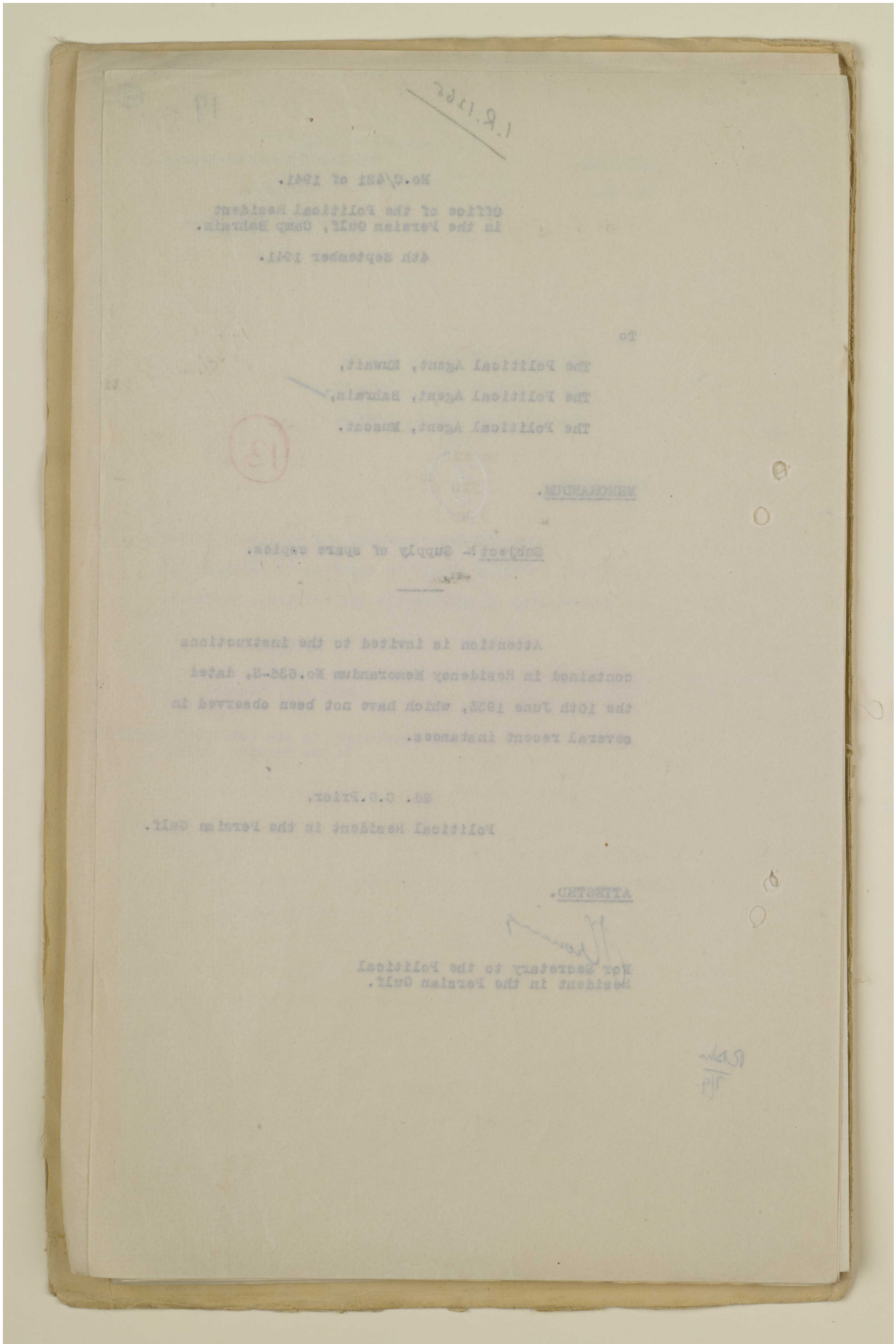
Sd. C.G.Prior.

Political Resident in the Persian Gulf.

ATTESTED.

*[Signature]*  
For Secretary to the Political  
Resident in the Persian Gulf.

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The 17th September 1941.

D.O.No.D.451-E/41(Camp).

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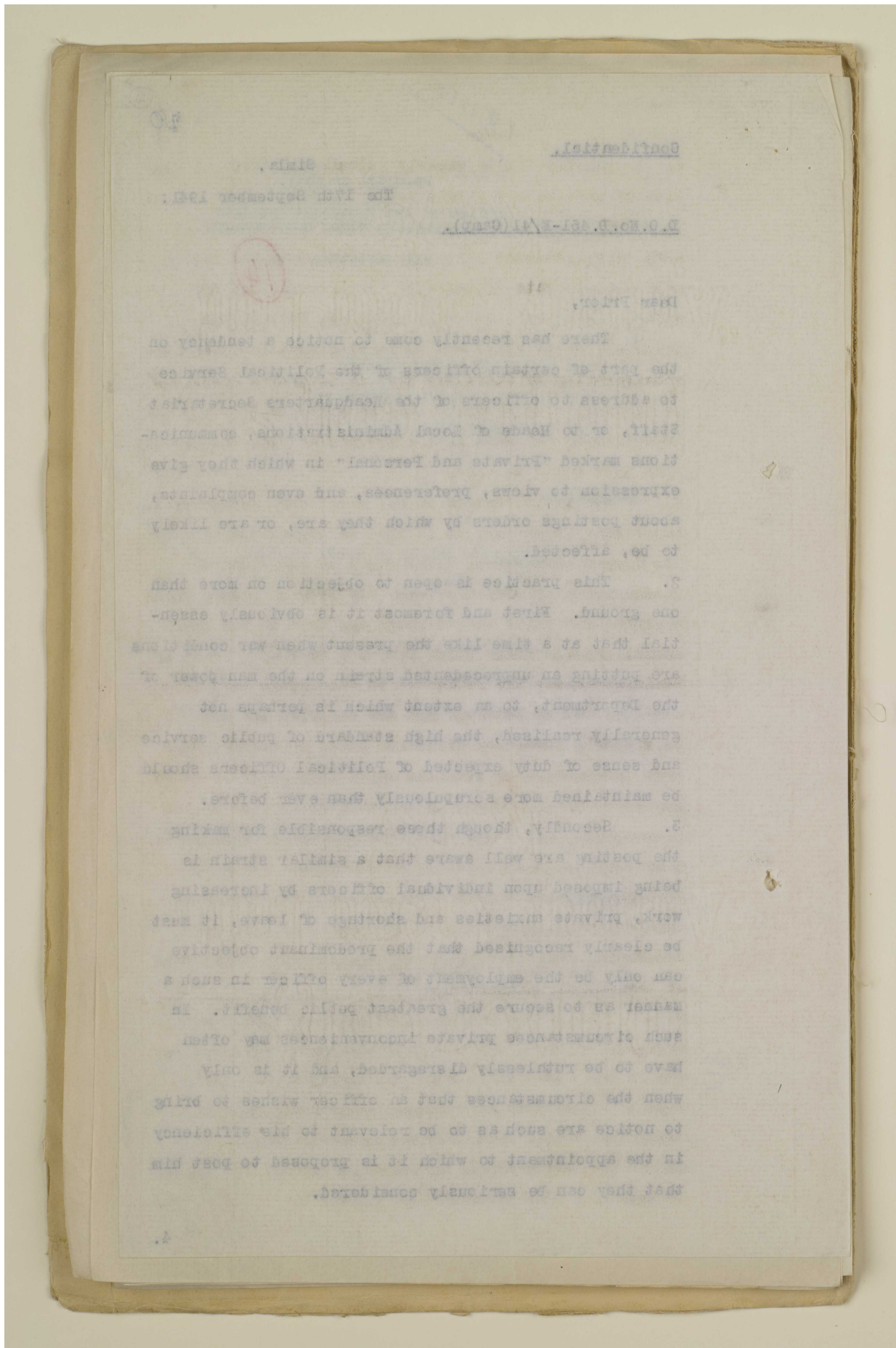
Dear Prior,

There has recently come to notice a tendency on the part of certain officers of the Political Service to address to officers of the Headquarters Secretariat Staff, or to Heads of Local Administrations, communications marked "Private and Personal" in which they give expression to views, preferences, and even complaints, about postings orders by which they are, or are likely to be, affected.

2. This practice is open to objection on more than one ground. First and foremost it is obviously essential that at a time like the present when war conditions are putting an unprecedented strain on the man power of the Department, to an extent which is perhaps not generally realised, the high standard of public service and sense of duty expected of Political Officers should be maintained more scrupulously than ever before.

3. Secondly, though those responsible for making the posting are well aware that a similar strain is being imposed upon individual officers by increasing work, private anxieties and shortage of leave, it must be clearly recognised that the predominant objective can only be the employment of every officer in such a manner as to secure the greatest public benefit. In such circumstances private inconveniences may often have to be ruthlessly disregarded, and it is only when the circumstances that an officer wishes to bring to notice are such as to be relevant to his efficiency in the appointment to which it is proposed to post him that they can be seriously considered.

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4. Thirdly, it is clearly undesirable that information of this nature should reach the Secretariat in the form of "Private and Personal" letters. Not only is such correspondence likely to give rise to the impression that private friendships can be exploited for official ends but, strictly speaking, information privately given ought not to be disclosed or taken into consideration by those who have to determine questions of posting, even though it may be clear that it was the intention or the hope of the writers of such letters that this would be done.

5. For these reasons it has been found necessary to issue this order that no letters or representations of the nature referred to above shall be addressed to Headquarters by officers below the rank of Second Class Resident otherwise than through the Head of the Local Administration under which they are serving. Heads of Administrations are requested to discourage such references as far as possible and are accorded the discretion to withhold them, the criterion being to forward only such information or requests which they judge as being desirable to be brought to official notice, or to the personal notice of the Political Adviser or Foreign Secretary, in the interests of the public service. Further any such representations will be regarded as demi-official and will be taken on record and, if necessary, taken into account on the confidential file of the officer concerned.

6. I am to request that you will kindly inform all officers of the Indian Political Service serving under you in the above terms. In so doing you will perhaps make it clear that the tendencies to which exception is being taken have been observed hitherto only among a small proportion of the officers of the cadre. It is because they are becoming more marked that it has been

4. Thirdly, it is clearly undesirable that information of this nature should reach the Secretariat in the form of "private and personal" letters. Not only is such correspondence likely to give rise to the impression that private friendships can be exploited for official ends but, similarly, information privately given ought not to be disclosed or taken into consideration by those who have to determine questions of posting, even though it may be clear that it was the intention or the hope of the writers of such letters that this would be done.

5. For these reasons it has been found necessary to issue this order that no letters or representations of the nature referred to above shall be addressed to Headquarters by officers below the rank of Second Class Assistant otherwise than through the Head of the local Administration under which they are serving. Heads of Administrations are requested to discourage such communications as far as possible and are accorded the discretion to withhold them, the criterion being to forward only such information or requests which they judge as being desirable to be brought to official notice, or to the personal notice of the Political Adviser or Foreign Secretary, in the interests of the public service. Further such representations will be regarded as semi-official and will be taken on record and, if necessary, taken into account on the confidential file of the office concerned.

6. I am to request that you will kindly inform all officers of the Indian Political Service serving under you in the above terms. In so doing you will perhaps make it clear that the tendencies to which exception is being taken have been observed hitherto only among a small proportion of the officers of the cadre. It is because they are becoming more marked that it has been



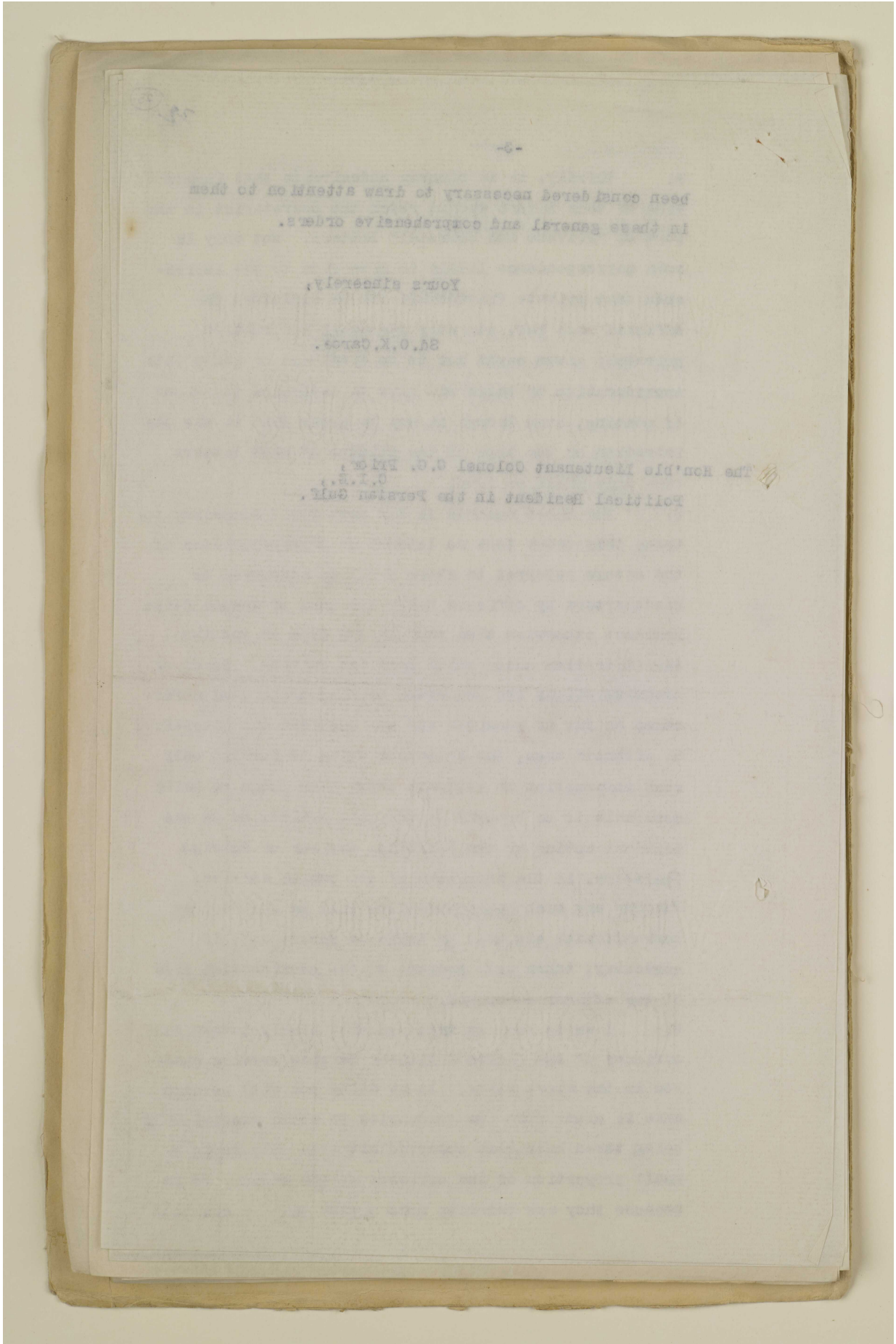
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been considered necessary to draw attention to them  
in these general and comprehensive orders.

Yours sincerely,

Sd. O.K. Garoe.

The Hon'ble Lieutenant Colonel C.G. Prior,  
C.I.E.,  
Political Resident in the Persian Gulf.





No. 1003 -13/14.

British Consulate General,  
Bushire,

Dated, the 24th September 1941.

To

- (1) The political Agent, Muscat,
- (2) The Political Agent, Bahrain,
- (3) The Political Agent, Kuwait,

Circulars

Circular Memorandum

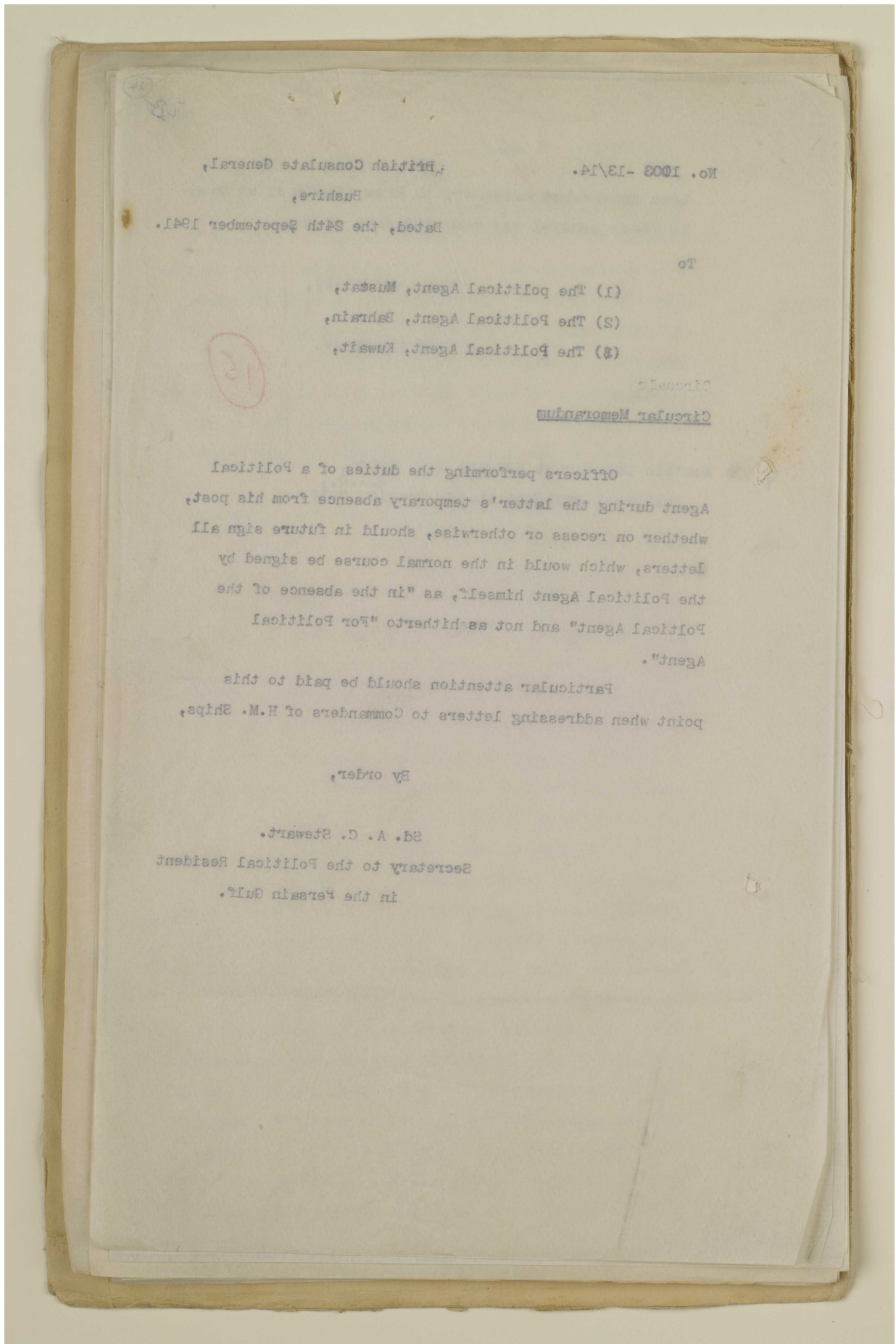
Officers performing the duties of a Political Agent during the latter's temporary absence from his post, whether on recess or otherwise, should in future sign all letters, which would in the normal course be signed by the Political Agent himself, as "in the absence of the Political Agent" and not as hitherto "For Political Agent".

Particular attention should be paid to this point when addressing letters to Commanders of H.M. Ships,

By order,

Sd. A. C. Stewart.

Secretary to the Political Resident  
in the Persian Gulf.





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No. 1028-13/14

British Consulate General,  
Bushire,

Dated, the 2nd October 1941.

To

The Political Agent, Muscat,  
The Political Agent, Bahrain,  
The Political Agent, Kuwait,

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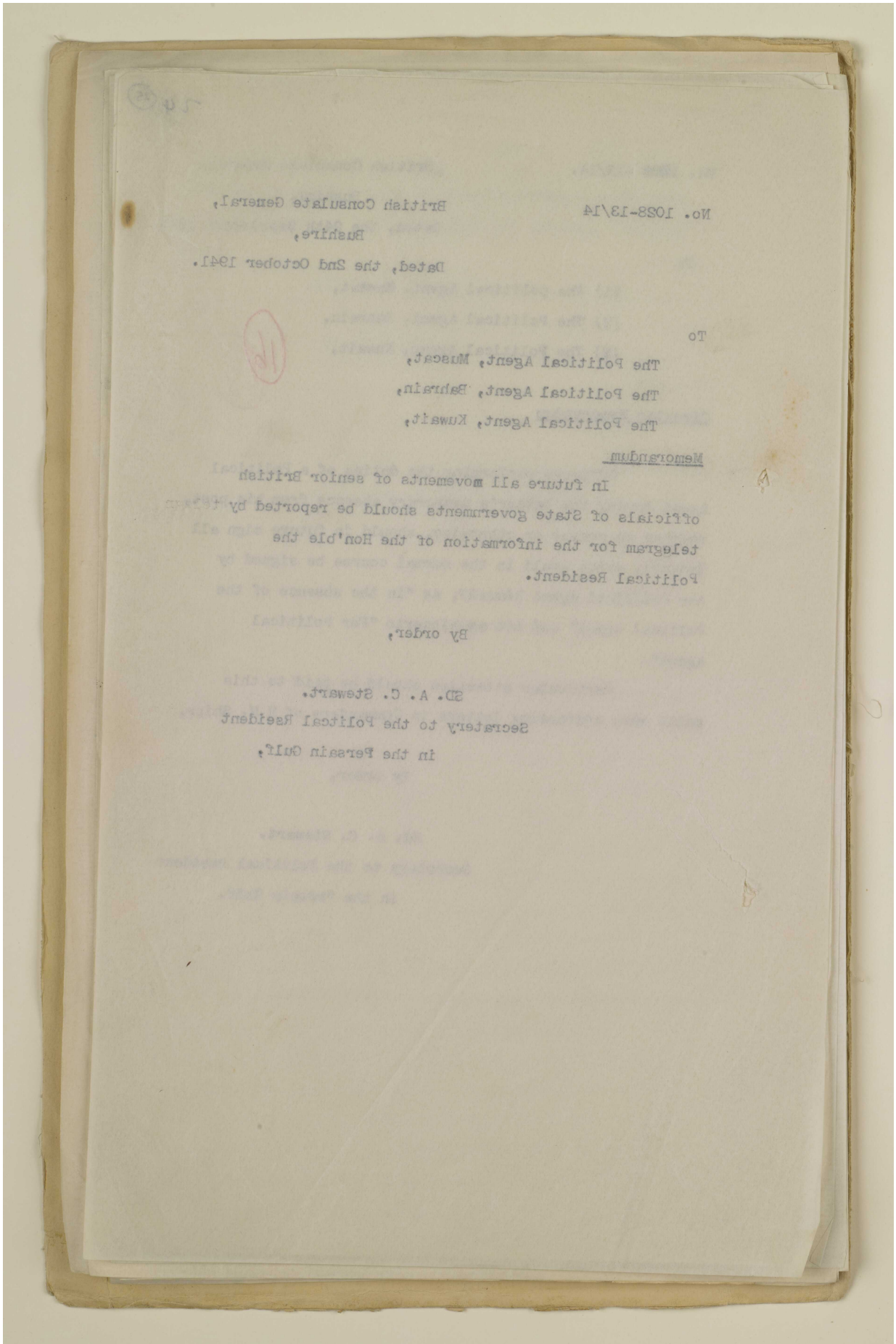
Memorandum

In future all movements of senior British officials of State governments should be reported by telegram for the information of the Hon'ble the Political Resident.

By order,

SD. A. C. Stewart.

Secretary to the Political Resident  
in the Persian Gulf,





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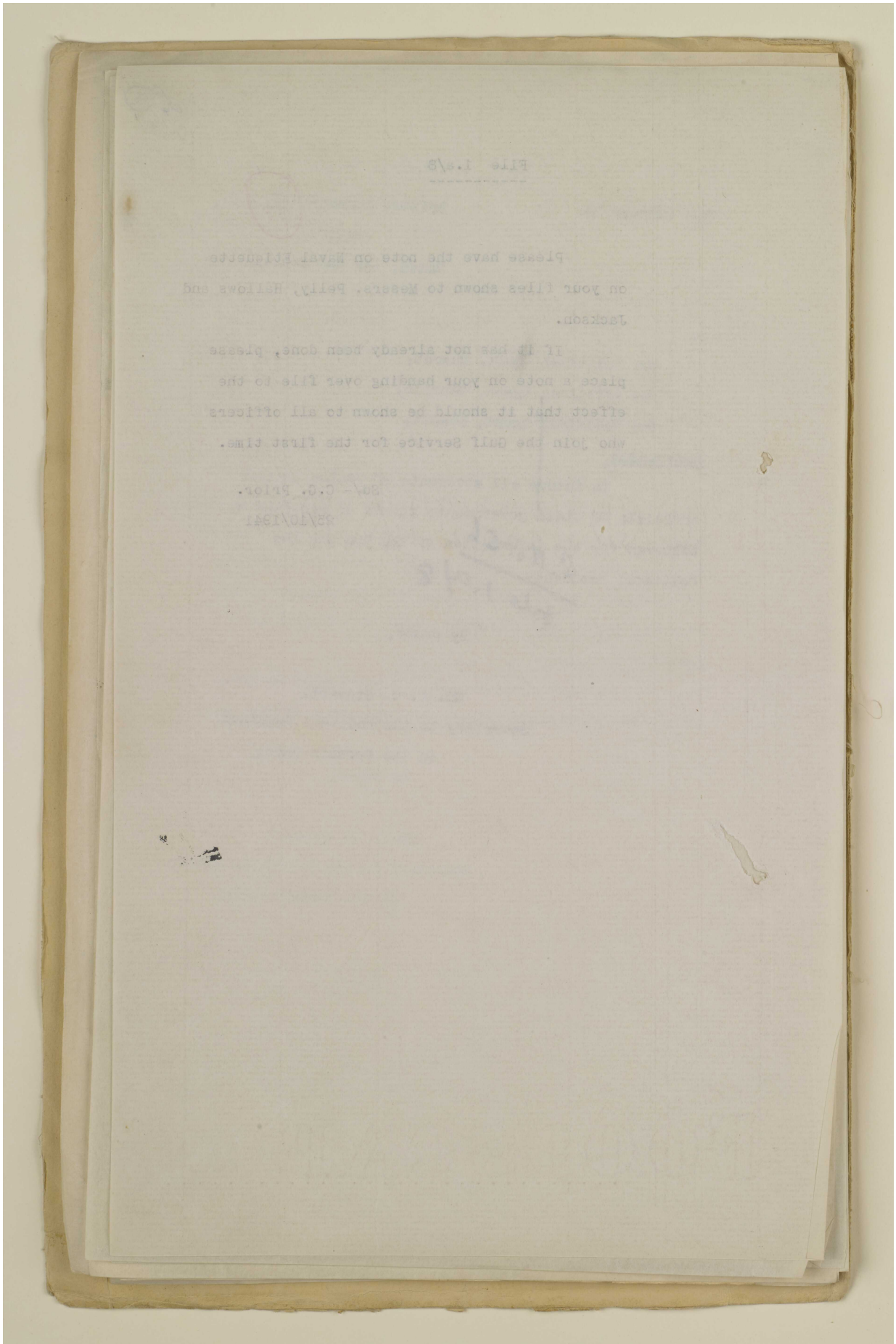
Please have the note on Naval Etiquette on your files shown to Messrs. Pelly, Hallows and Jackson.

If it has not already been done, please place a note on your handing over file to the effect that it should be shown to all officers who join the Gulf Service for the first time.

Sd/- C.G. Prior.

25/10/1941

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No. 76-S of 1941.

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The Hon'ble the Political Resident in the Persian Gulf presents his compliments to

Vide attached list

and has the honour to transmit to him a copy of the undermentioned document (s).

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British Consulate-General, BUSHIRE.

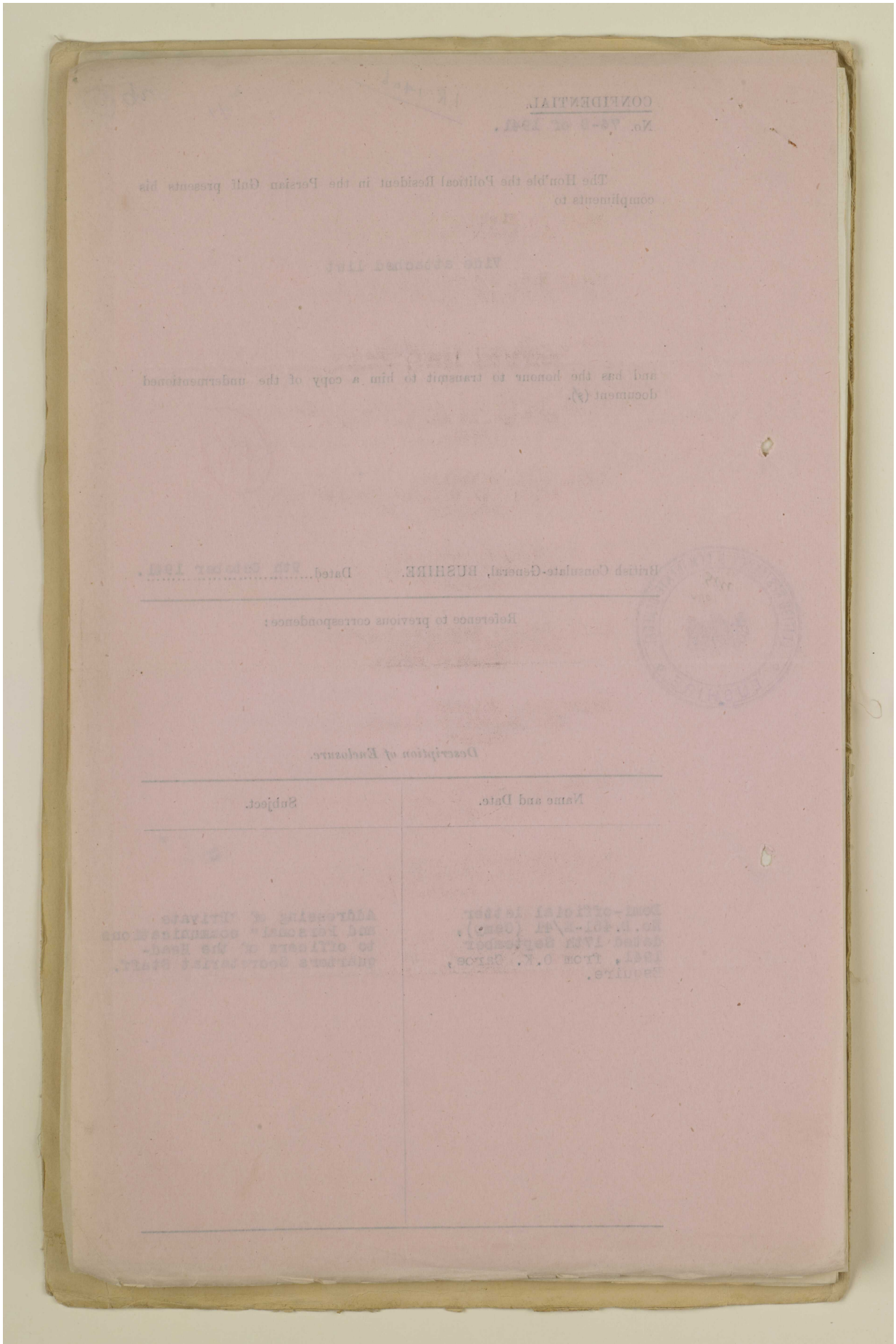
Dated...9th October 1941.



Reference to previous correspondence:

*Description of Enclosure.*

Name and Date.	Subject.
Demi-official letter No.D.451-E/41 (Camp), dated 17th September 1941, from O.K. Caroe, Esquire.	Addressing of "Private and Personal" communications to officers of the Headquarters Secretariat Staff.





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Major T. Hickinbotham, O.B.E.,  
Political Agent, Kuwait.

Major R.G. Alban, O.B.E.,  
Political Agent, Bahrain. ✓

Capt. J.B. Howes, M.B.E.,  
Political Agent, Muscat.

E. B. Wakefield, Esquire, I.C.S.,  
Officer on Special Duty,  
Basra.

Capt. R.D. Metcalfe,  
Publicity Officer Persian Gulf,  
Bahrain.

G. N. Jackson, Esquire,  
Assistant Political Agent,  
Bahrain.

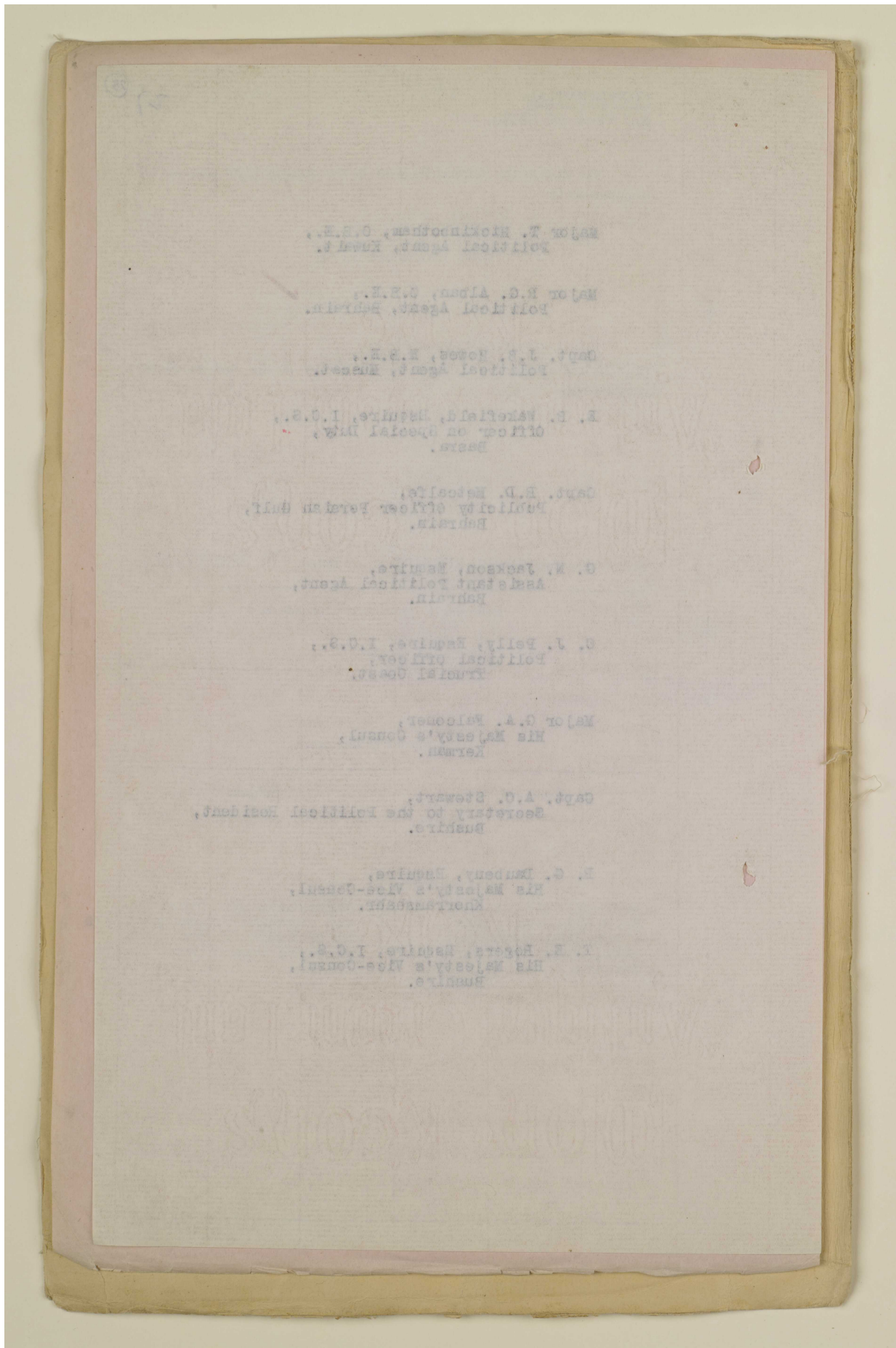
G. J. Pelly, Esquire, I.C.S.,  
Political Officer,  
Trucial Coast.

Major G.A. Falconer,  
His Majesty's Consul,  
Kerman.

Capt. A.G. Stewart,  
Secretary to the Political Resident,  
Bushire.

R. G. Daubeny, Esquire,  
His Majesty's Vice-Consul,  
Khorramshahr.

T. E. Rogers, Esquire, I.C.S.,  
His Majesty's Vice-Consul,  
Bushire.





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Telegram - G.T.C.  
From - Ambassador, Cairo,  
To - Political, Bahrain. (19)  
No. - Mides circ 42  
Dated - 9th December 1943.  
Recd. - 11th December 1943.

Addressed Washington and London Saving  
4935 and other posts. Telegraphic communication with  
- Middle East Supply Centre.

with effect from January 1st 1944 Middle  
East Supply Centre is adopting telegraphic address of  
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will no longer be used.

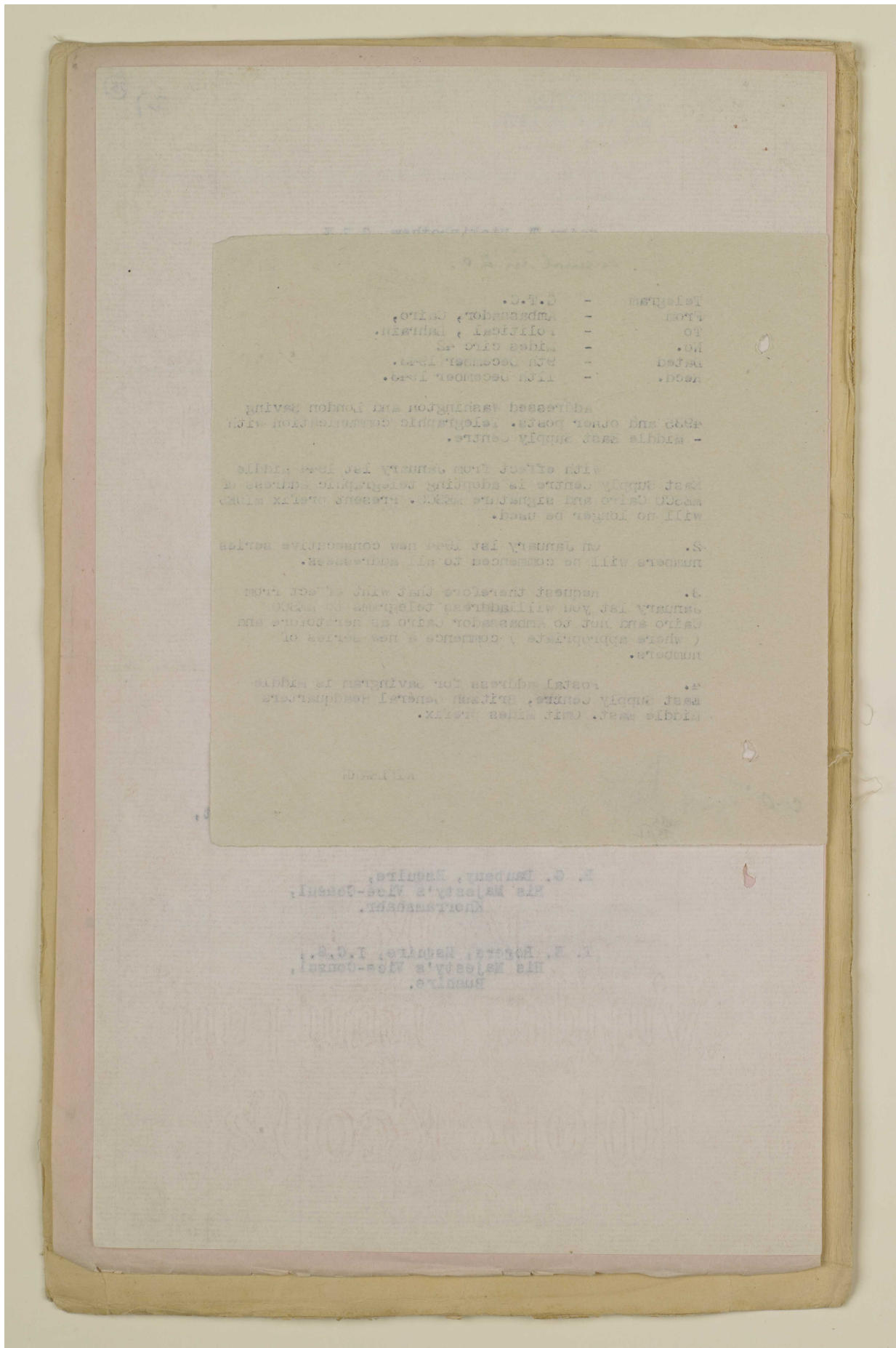
2. On January 1st 1944 new consecutive series  
numbers will be commenced to all addressees.

3. Request therefore that with effect from  
January 1st you will address telegrams to MESCO  
Cairo and not to Ambassador Cairo as heretofore and  
( where appropriate ) commence a new series of  
numbers.

4. Postal address for Savingram is Middle  
East Supply Centre, British General Headquarters  
Middle East. Omit Mides prefix.

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C.O. *ny 15/12* *15/12* *15/12*





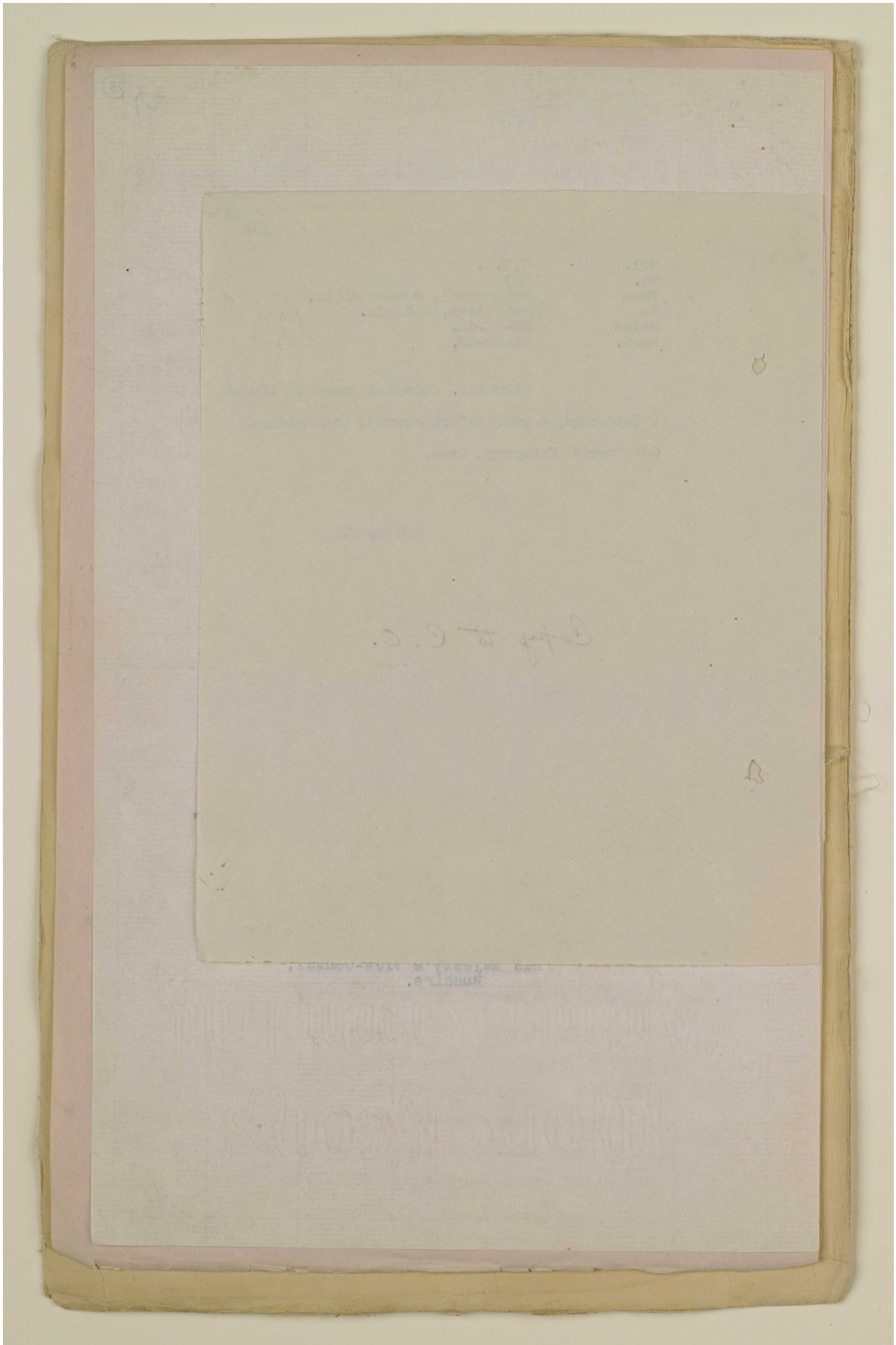
Tel. G.T.C.  
No. 501  
From Britconsul, Sunder Abbas.  
To Political, Bahrain.  
Dated 28-12-43.  
Recd. 29-12-43.

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Circular. Consular Agent at Lingah  
( Telegraphic address "Britagent" ) now holding  
Government Telegraph Code.

BRITCONSUL

*Copy to C. O.*





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GOVERNMENT OF INDIA,  
Confidential. \_\_\_\_\_ DEPARTMENT.

**EXPRESS LETTER**

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in the Persian Gulf,  
Camp, Bahrain.

9/15/42

FROM Political Resident, Bushire,  
at Bahrain.

To - Political Agent,  
Bahrain.

No. C/556. Dated 9th May, 1934.

The following papers were destroyed by fire in conveyance from Bahrain to Bushire. Please forward copies.  
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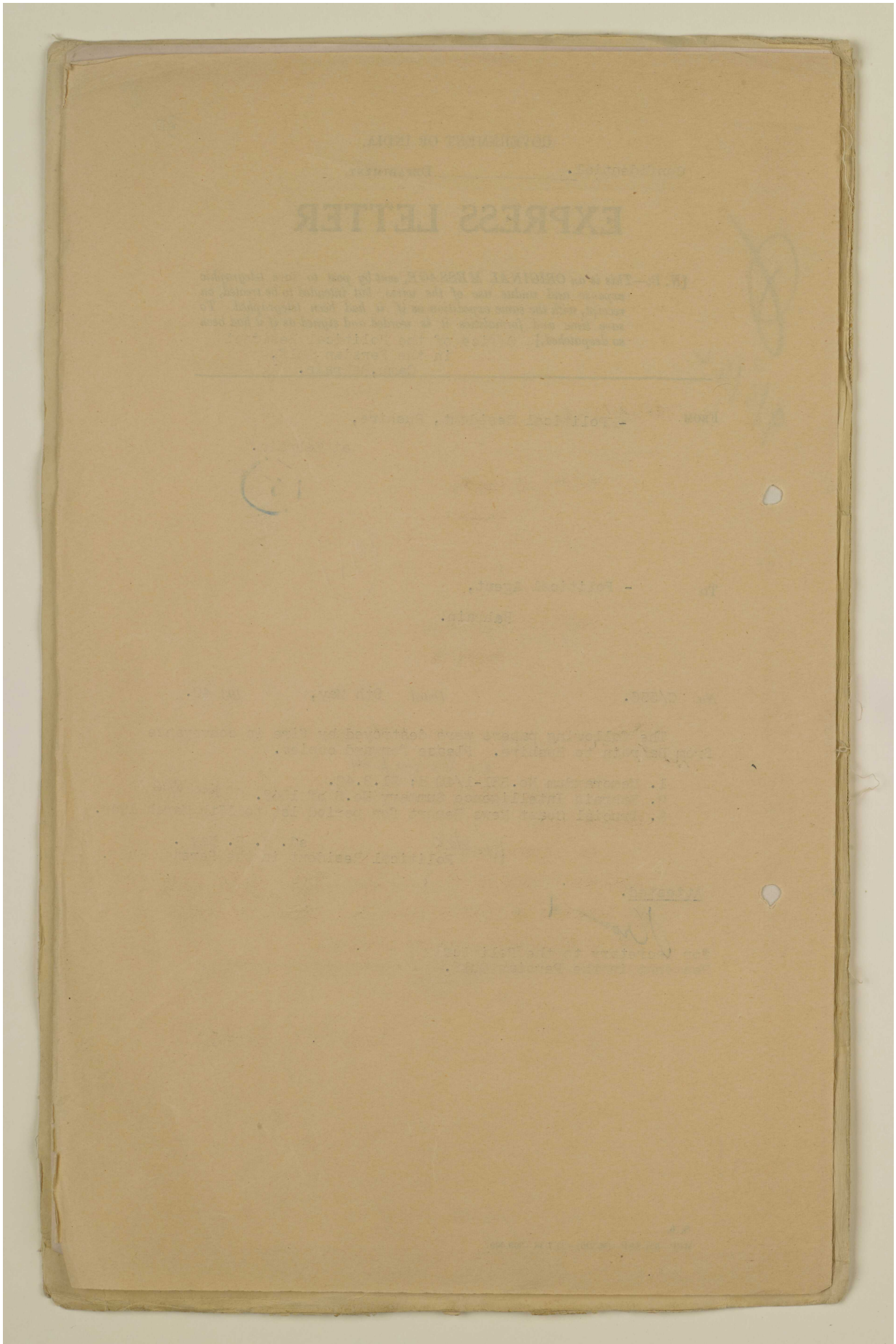
1. Memorandum No.581-1/40 d: 31.3.42.
2. Bahrain Intelligence Summary No.6 of 1942. — file 8/16
3. Trucial Coast News Report for period 1st to 15th March 1942.

sd. W. R. Hay .  
file 8/25  
Political Resident in the Persian Gulf.

Attested.  
*W. R. Hay*  
for Secretary to the Political  
Resident in the Persian Gulf.

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S. 6.  
MFP—501 S&P—(M-820)—23-7-36—300,000.





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GOVERNMENT OF INDIA,

DEPARTMENT,

## EXPRESS LETTER

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FROM

Political Agent,  
Bahrain.

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TO

Political Resident,  
Bushire.

No. C/701.

Dated 21st May 1942.

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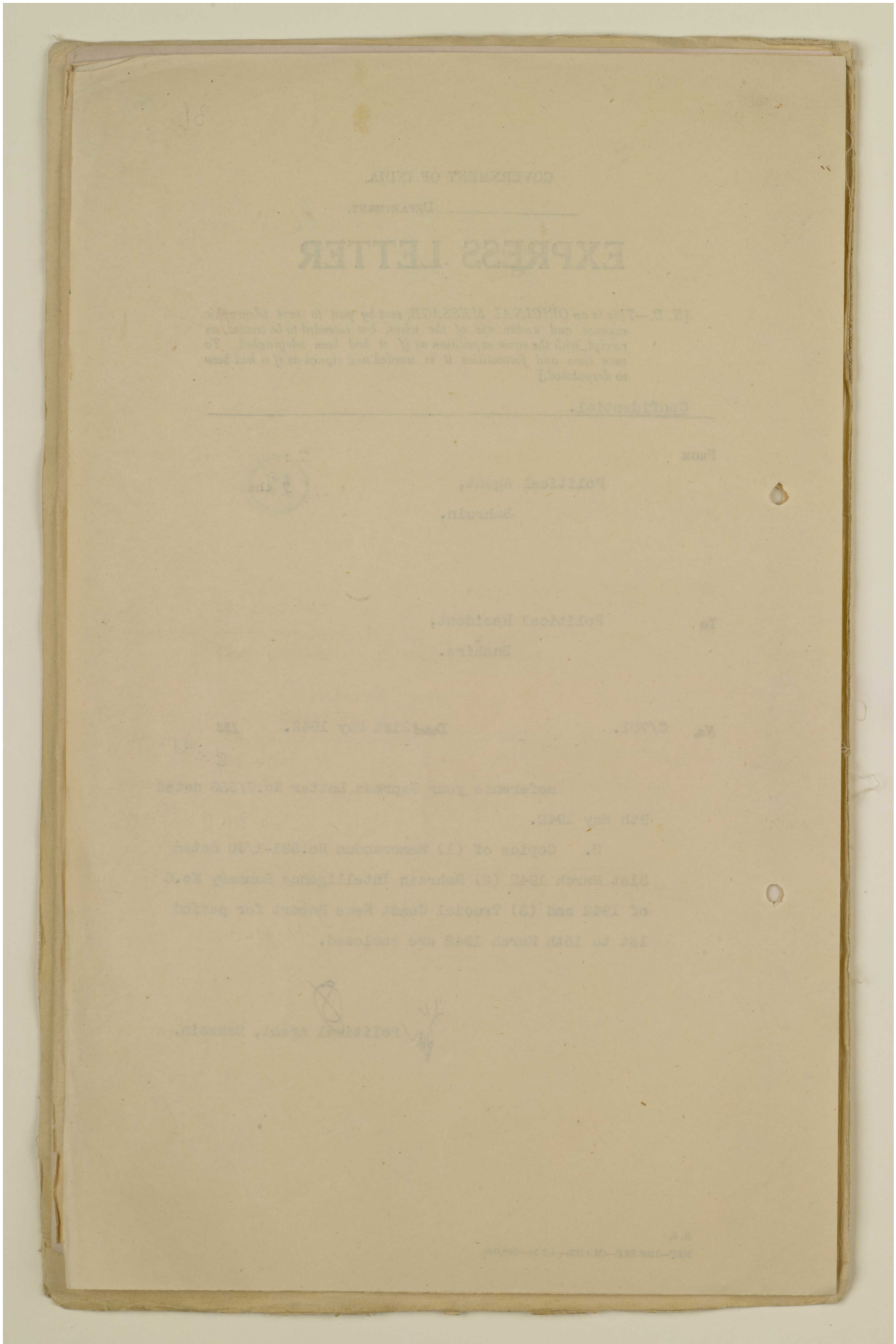
reference your Express Letter No.C/556 dated  
9th May 1942.

2. Copies of (1) Memorandum No.581-1/40 dated  
31st March 1942 (2) Bahrain Intelligence Summary No.6  
of 1942 and (3) Trucial Coast News Report for period  
1st to 15th March 1942 are enclosed.

Political Agent, Bahrain.

S. 6.

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Confidential.

D.O. No.433-S.

The Hon'ble the Political Resident in the Persian Gulf presents his compliments to

1. Major T.Hickinbotham, OBE.,  
Political Agent, Kuwait.
2. E.B.Wakefield Esquire, ICS.,  
Political Agent, Bahrain. ✓ (23)
3. C.J.Pelly Esquire, ICS.,  
Political Agent, Muscat. (X)
4. Lieut.-Colonel G.A.Falconer, IA.,  
His Majesty's Consul, Kerman.
5. Major F.C.L.Chauncy, IA.,  
His Majesty's Consul, Khorramahahr,

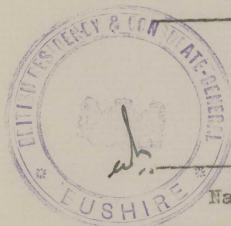
and has the honour to transmit to him a copy of the under-mentioned document.

British Consulate-General,  
BUSHIRE.

Dated the 22nd May, 1942.

Reference to previous correspondence:

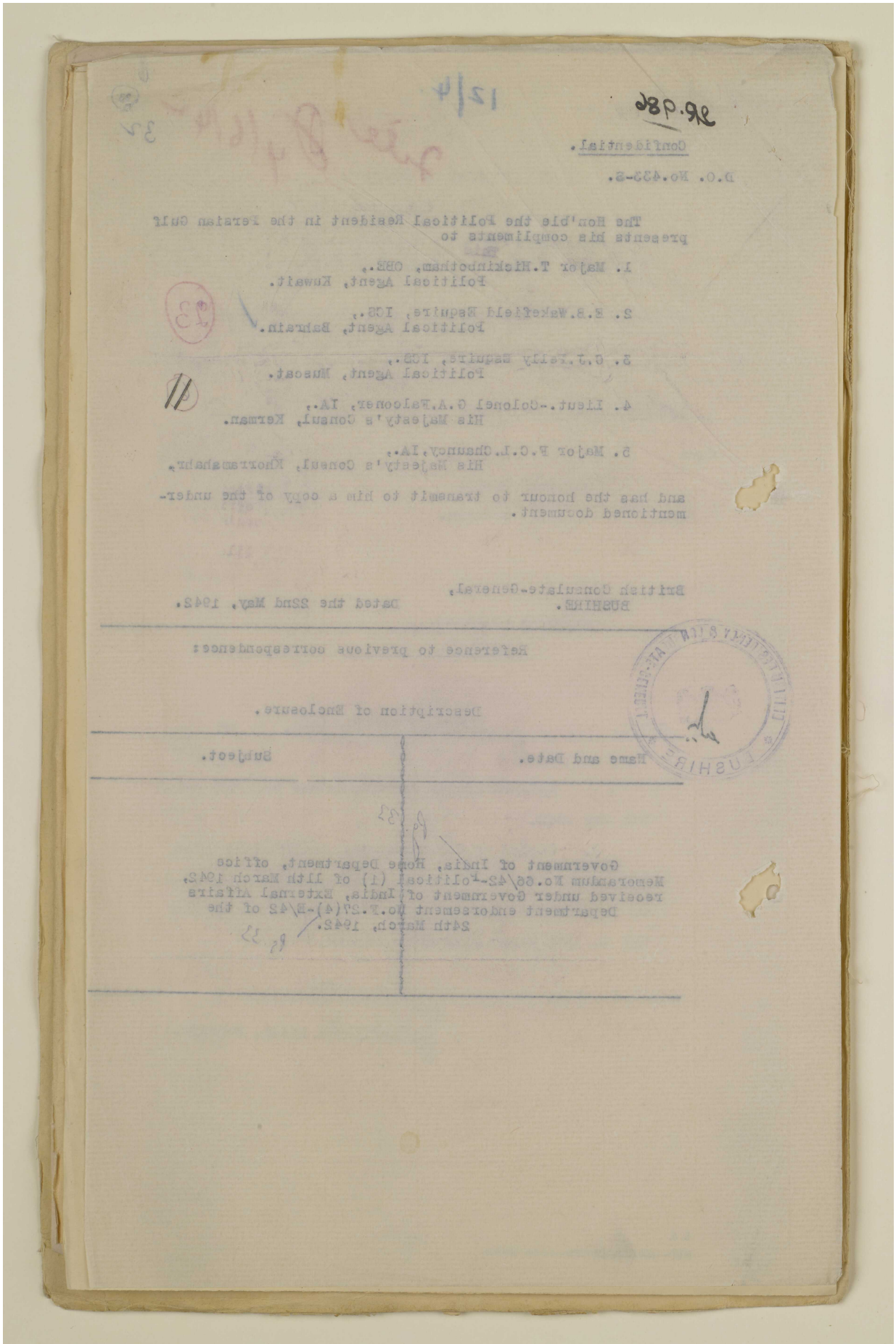
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Name and Date.

Subject.

Government of India, Home Department, office  
Memorandum No.66/42-Political (1) of 11th March 1942,  
received under Government of India, External Affairs  
Department endorsement No.F.27(4)-E/42 of the  
24th March, 1942. Pg 33





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No.66/42-Political (1).  
Government of India.  
Home Department.

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New Delhi, the 11th March 1942.

OFFICE MEMORANDUM.

The Government of India wish to remind all their officers of the message which the Prime Minister sent, in June 1940, to all persons serving in position of importance under the Crown in the United Kingdom. This message read as follows :-

"The Prime Minister expects all His Majesty's servants in high places to set an example of steadiness and resolution. They should check and rebuke expressions of loose ill-digested opinion in their circles or by their subordinates. They should not hesitate to report or, if necessary, remove any officers or officials who are found to be consciously exercising a disturbing or a depressing influence and whose talk is calculated to cause alarm and despondency. Thus alone will they be worthy of the fighting men who in the air, on the sea and land are ready to meet the enemy without any sense of being outmatched in material qualities.

2. The undersigned is directed to request that this message should be brought to the personal notice of all officers serving the Finance Department and its Attached and Subordinate Offices.  
etc.

Sd./- Illegible,  
Additional Secretary to the Government  
of India.

To  
All Departments of the Government of India.

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No.F.27(4)-E/42.  
Government of India,  
External Affairs Department.  
Dated New Delhi, the 24th March 1942.

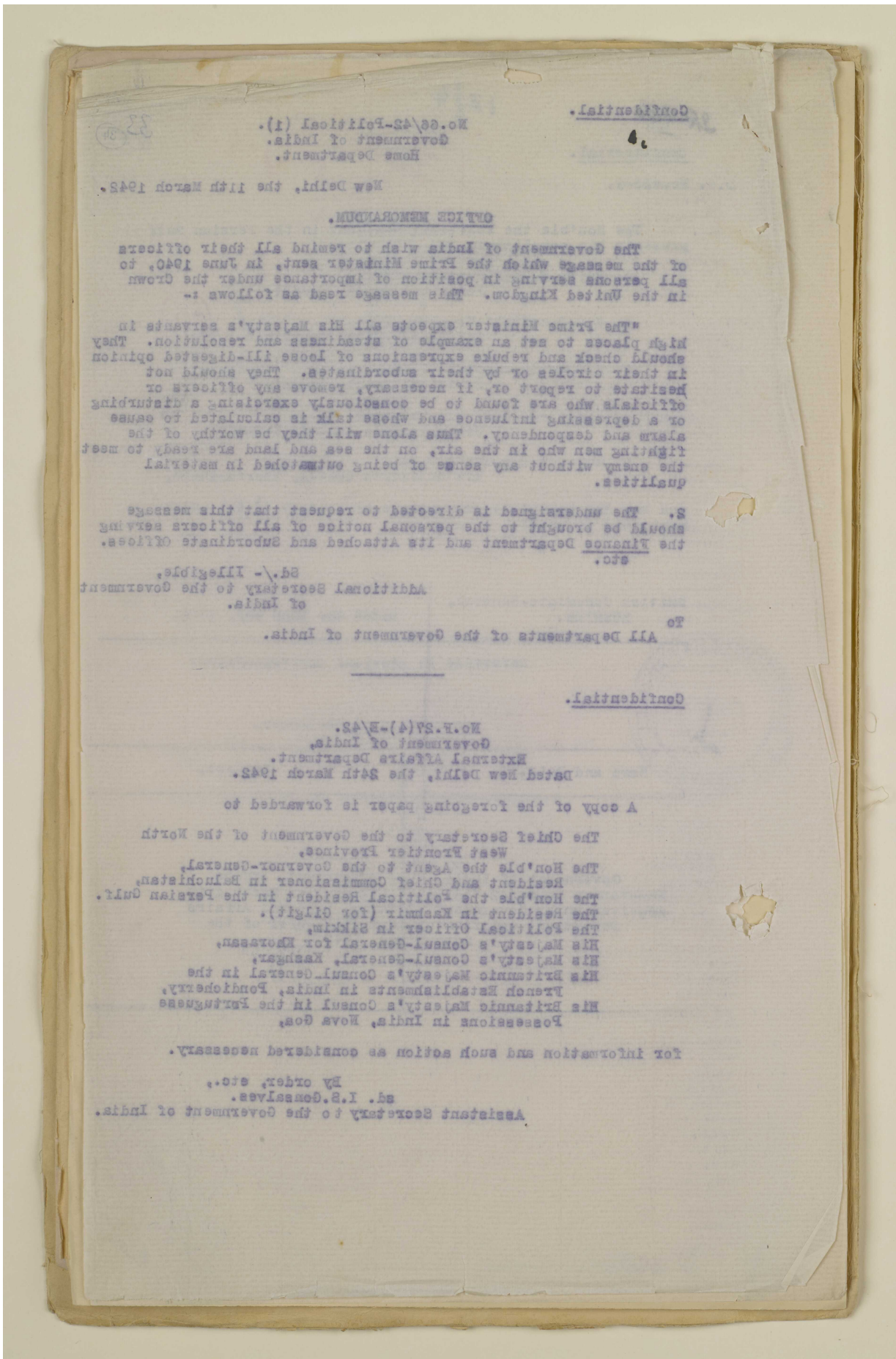
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The Chief Secretary to the Government of the North  
West Frontier Province,  
The Hon'ble the Agent to the Governor-General,  
Resident and Chief Commissioner in Baluchistan,  
The Hon'ble the Political Resident in the Persian Gulf,  
The Resident in Kashmir (for Gilgit).  
The Political Officer in Sikkim,  
His Majesty's Consul-General for Khorasan,  
His Majesty's Consul-General, Kashgar,  
His Britannic Majesty's Consul-General in the  
French Establishments in India, Pondicherry,  
His Britannic Majesty's Consul in the Portuguese  
Possessions in India, Nova Goa,

for information and such action as considered necessary.

By order, etc.,  
sd. I.S.Gonsalves.  
Assistant Secretary to the Government of India.





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No. 68/42-Political (1)  
Government of India  
Home Department

New Delhi, the 14th March 1942.

OFFICE MEMORANDUM.

The Government of India wish to remind all their officers of the message which the Prime Minister sent in June 1940 to all persons serving in positions of importance under the Crown in the United Kingdom. This message read as follows:-

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S. The underlined is directed to request that this message should be brought to the personal notice of all officers serving in the Home Department and its attached and subordinate offices.

Sd/-  
Additional Secretary to the Government of India.

To  
All Departments of the Government of India.

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No. 1.37(A)-H/42.  
Government of India  
External Affairs Department  
Dated New Delhi, the 24th March 1942.

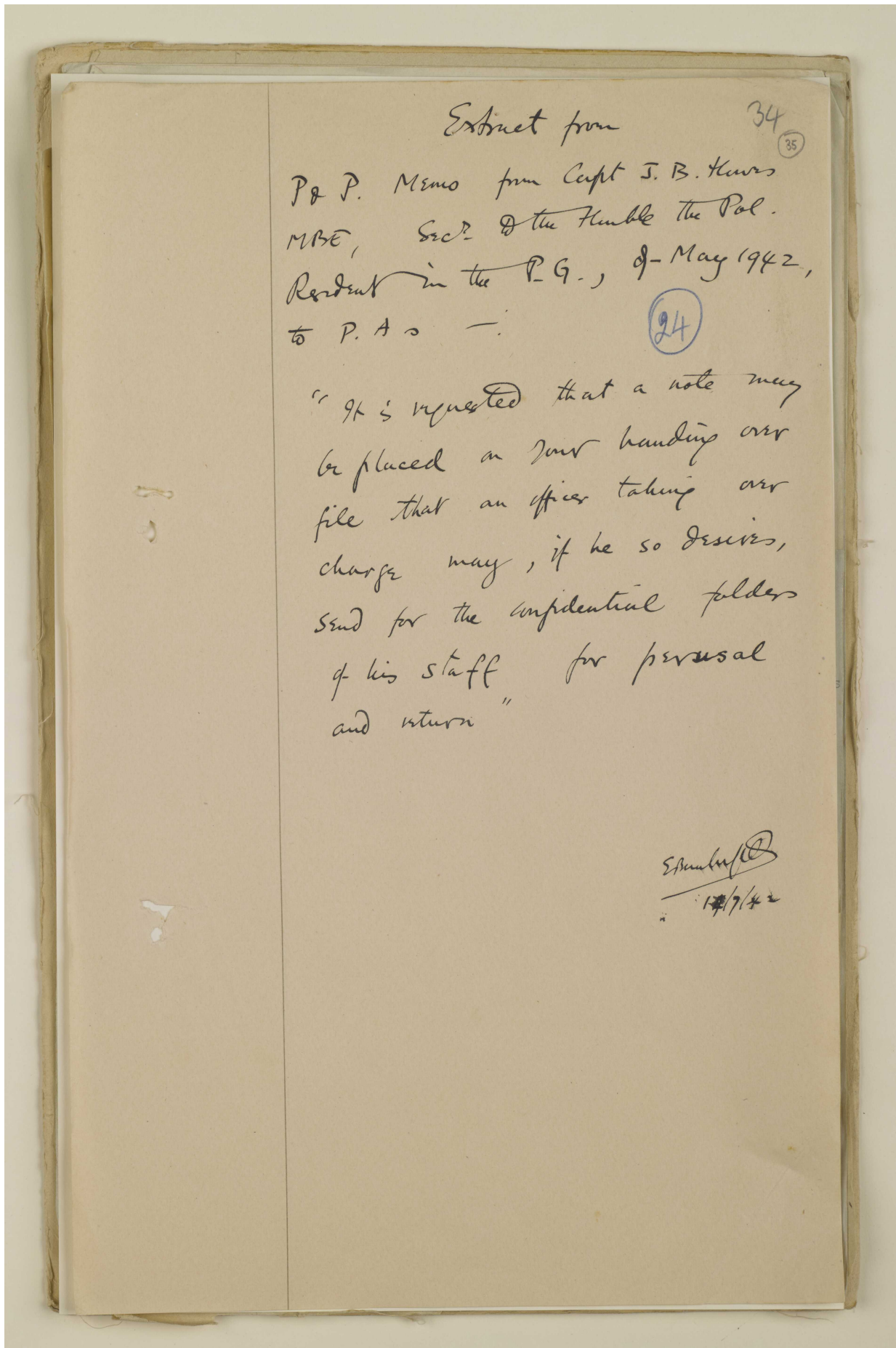
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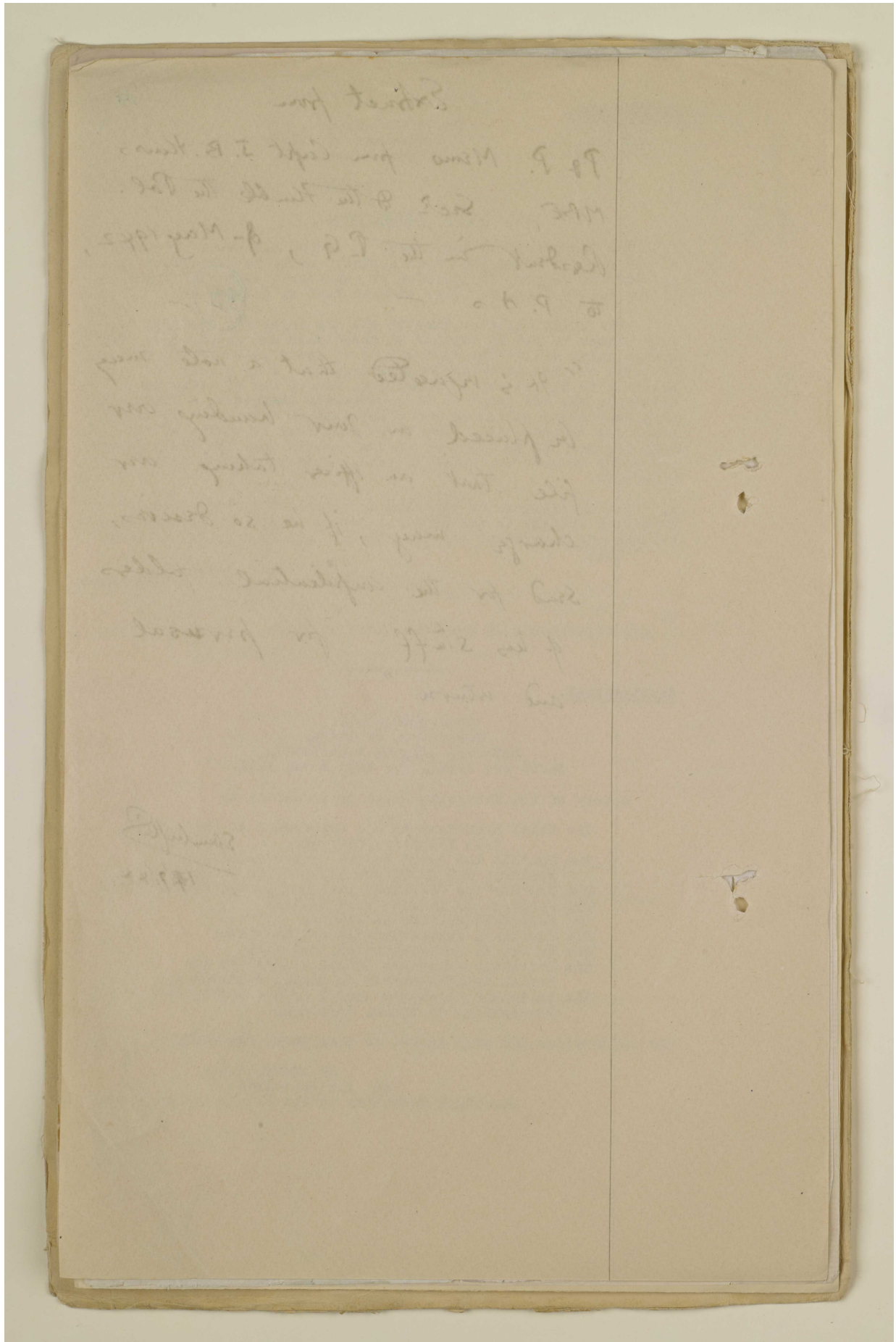
The Chief Secretary to the Government of the North West Frontier Province,  
The Hon'ble the Agent to the Governor-General,  
Resident and Chief Commissioner in Baluchistan,  
The Hon'ble the Political Resident in the Persian Gulf,  
The Resident in Kashmir (for Gilgit),  
The Political Officer in Sikkim,  
His Majesty's General for Khasi,  
His Majesty's General, Khasi,  
His Majesty's General in India, Pondicherry,  
French Establishments in India, Pondicherry,  
His Majesty's General in the Far East,  
Possessions in India, New Goa.

for information and such action as considered necessary.

Sd/-  
Assistant Secretary to the Government of India.









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No. 310-S

British Residency & Consulate General,  
Bushire, the 3rd May 1943.

To

- H.M. Ambassador, Baghdad
- The Minister of State, Cairo
- The Director, Intelligence Bureau, Home Department,  
Government of India.
- The Commander in Chief, Eastern Fleet.
- The Senior Naval Officer, Persian Gulf.
- H.M. Minister, Tehran
- The Senior General Staff Officer, M.O.3"W",  
G.S. Branch, A.H.Q., India.
- PAIFORCE, Baghdad
- Combined Intelligence Centre, 'Iraq, Baghdad.
- Minbranch, Baghdad
- The Air Officer Commanding in Chief, R.A.F. Head-  
quarters, Persia and Iraq.
- The Middle East Intelligence Centre, Cairo
- Security Intelligence Middle East, Cairo.
- H.M. Consul General, Basra.
- The Political Agent, Kuwait
- The Political Agent, Bahrain.
- The Political Agent, Muscat.
- H.M. Consul Khorramshahr
- H.M. Consul, Kerman
- The Senior Assistant Director, Intelligence, Quetta.
- The Staff Officer, Naval Intelligence Centre,  
Colombo.
- The Naval Officer in Charge, Bahrain.
- 215 Group, R.A.F., Basra
- 244 Squadron, R.A.F., Sharjah
- The Security Control Officer, Persian Gulf.
- The Political Officer, Trucial Coast, Sharjah
- The Naval Officer in Charge, Hormuz
- The Representative, Ministry of War Transport, Basra
- H.M. Consul, Bandar Abbas.

*PA. Circular  
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CIRCULAR

The British Consulate at Bandar Abbas has been re-opened and the post of His Majesty's Consul is held by Mr. T.E. Rogers, I.C.S.

2. It is requested that in future His Majesty's Consul, Bandar Abbas, may be included in the distribution of such reports, Intelligence Summaries and correspondence that may concern or are of interest to that post.

3. The quickest method of despatching secret matter for Bandar Abbas is through the naval authorities via the Naval Officer in Charge, Hormuz, from whom His Majesty's Consul will arrange to collect.

Sd. C.G. Prior.

Political Resident, in the Persian Gulf.

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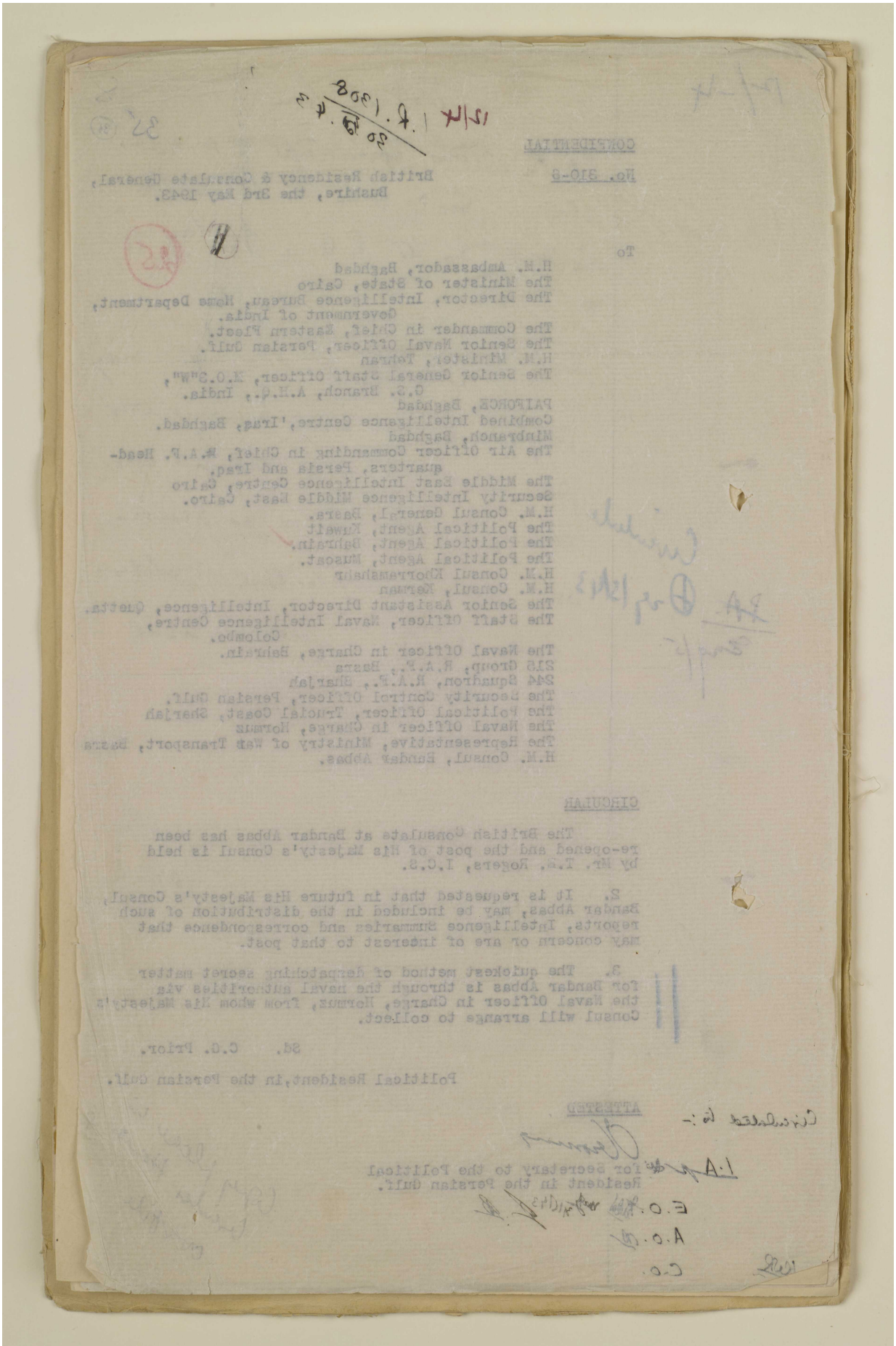
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for Secretary to the Political  
Resident in the Persian Gulf.

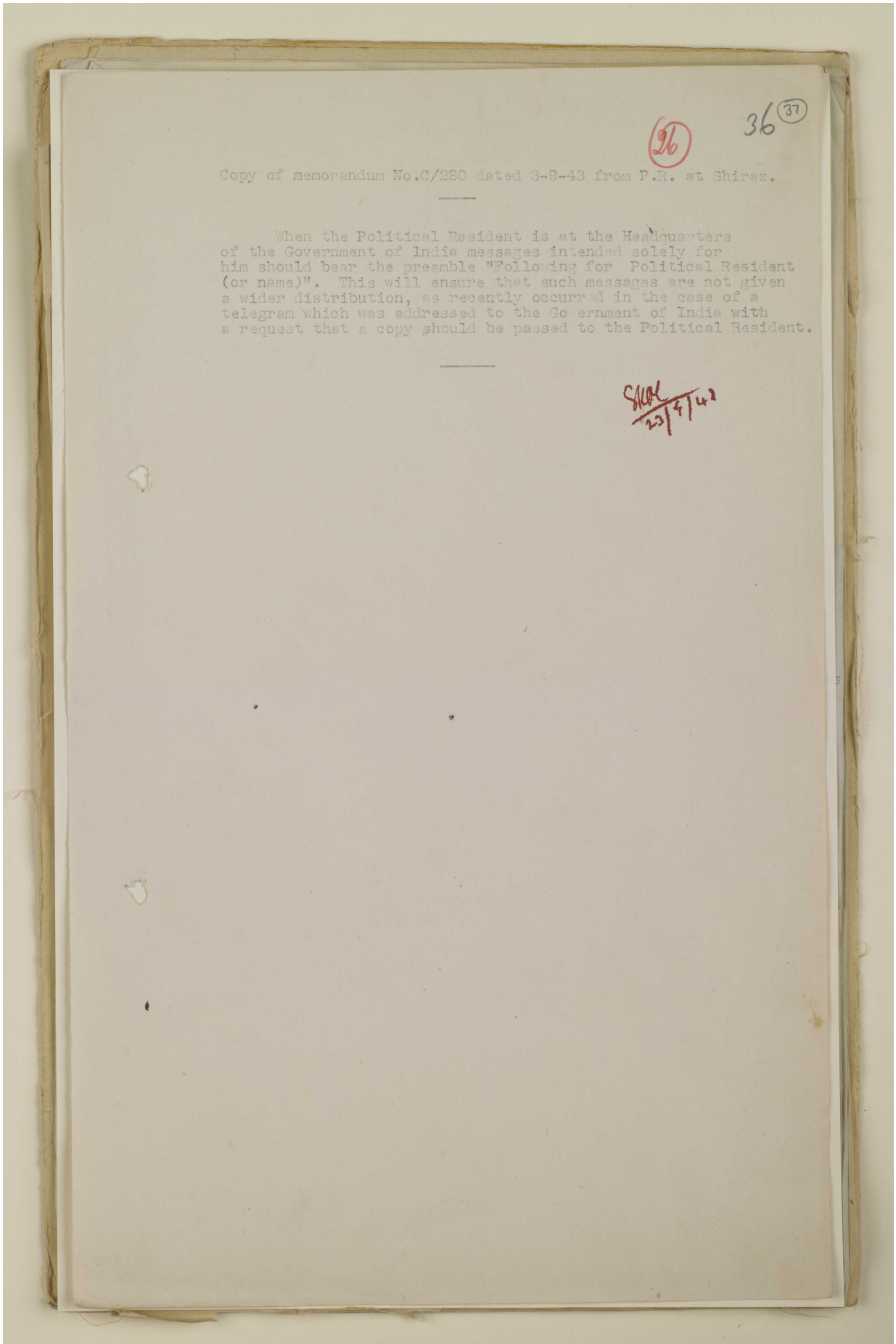
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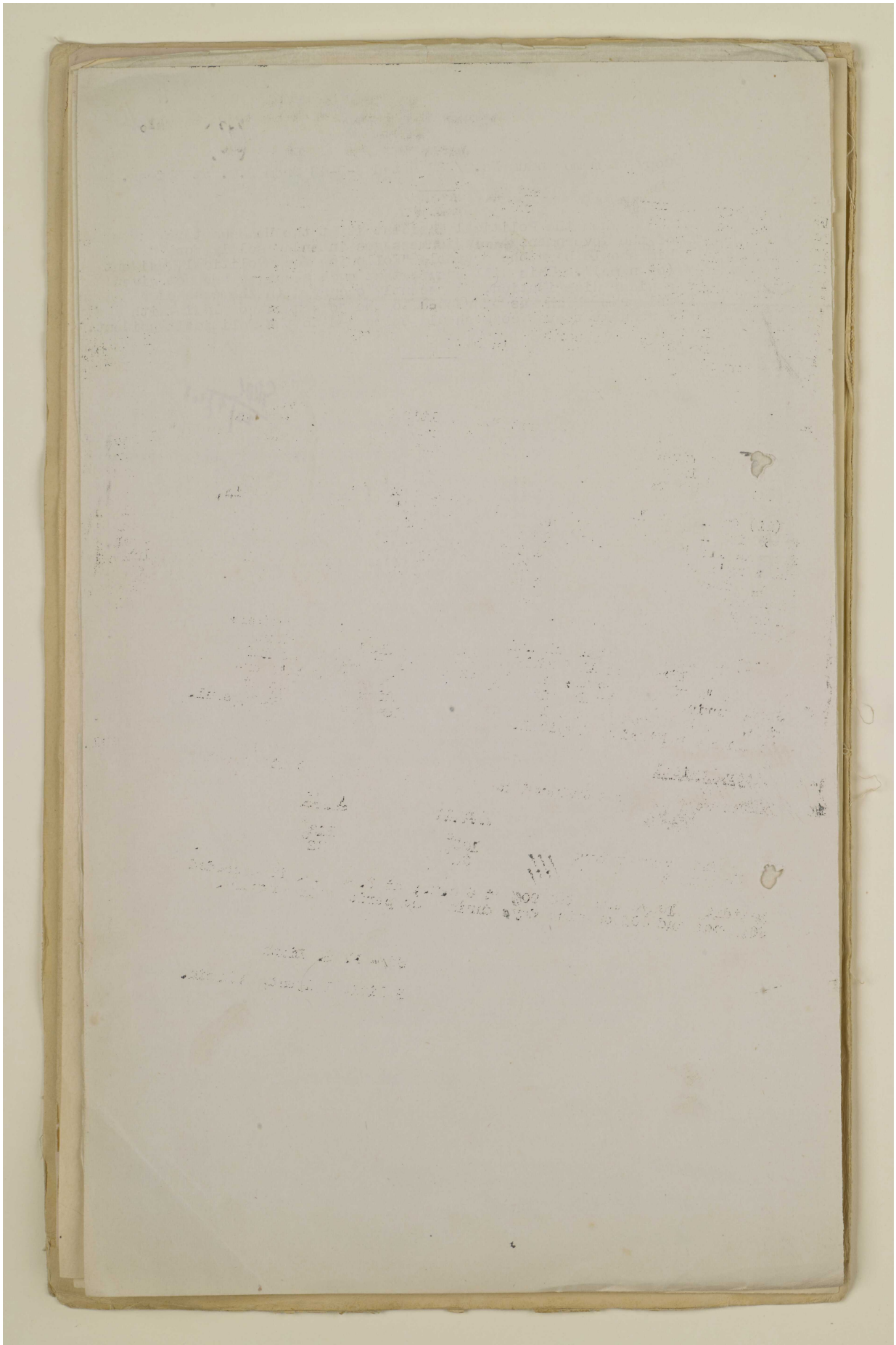
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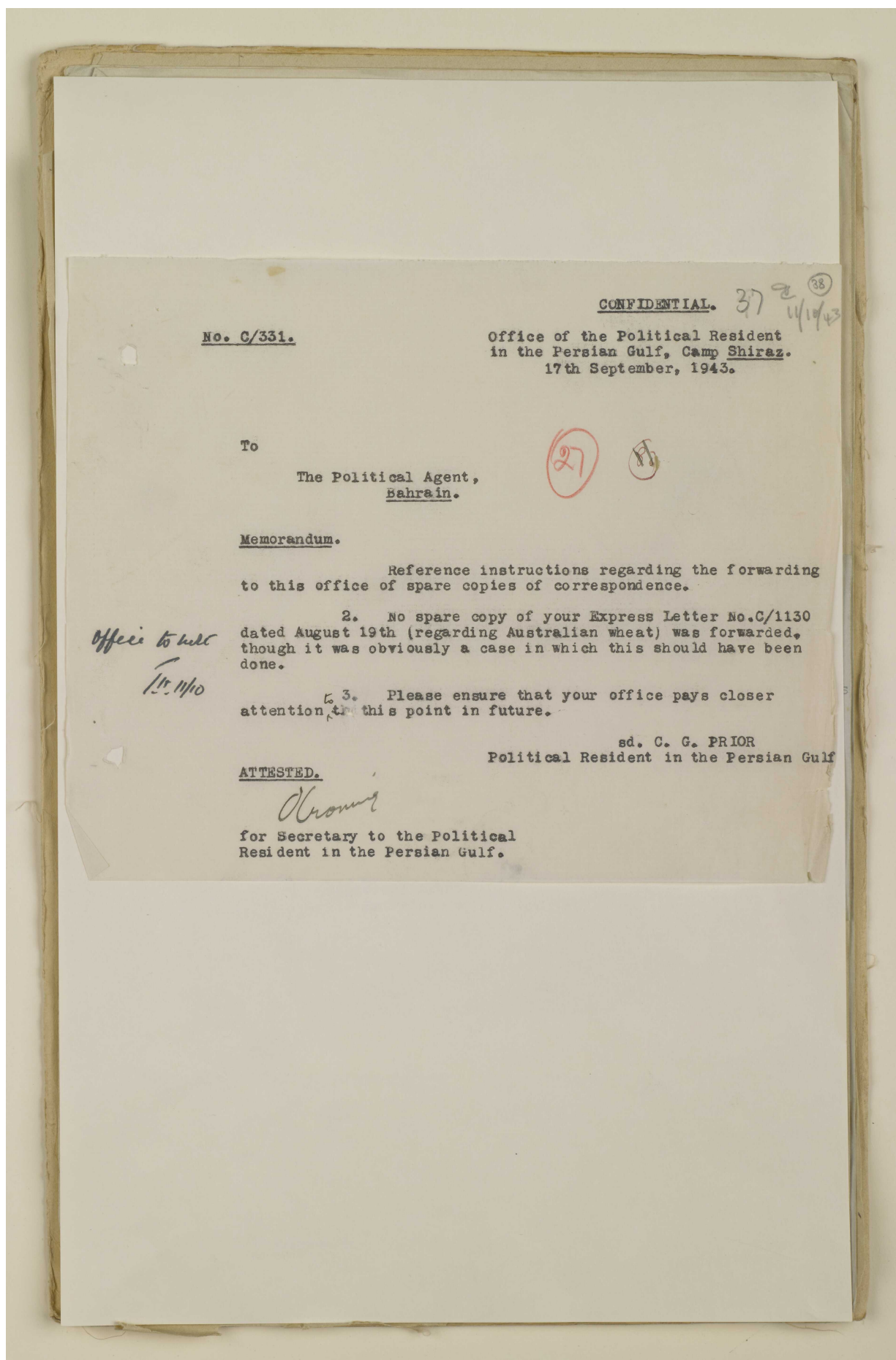


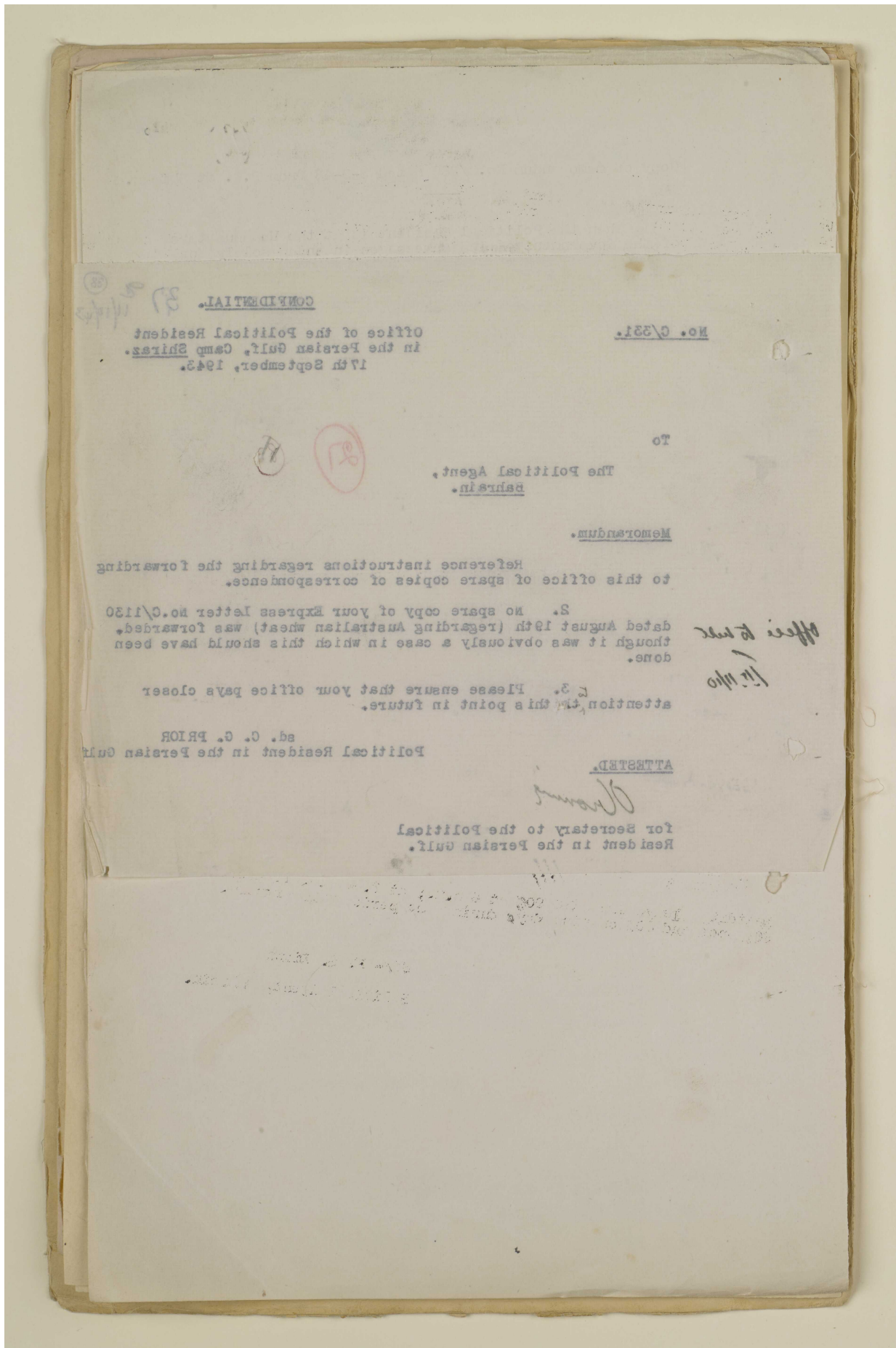




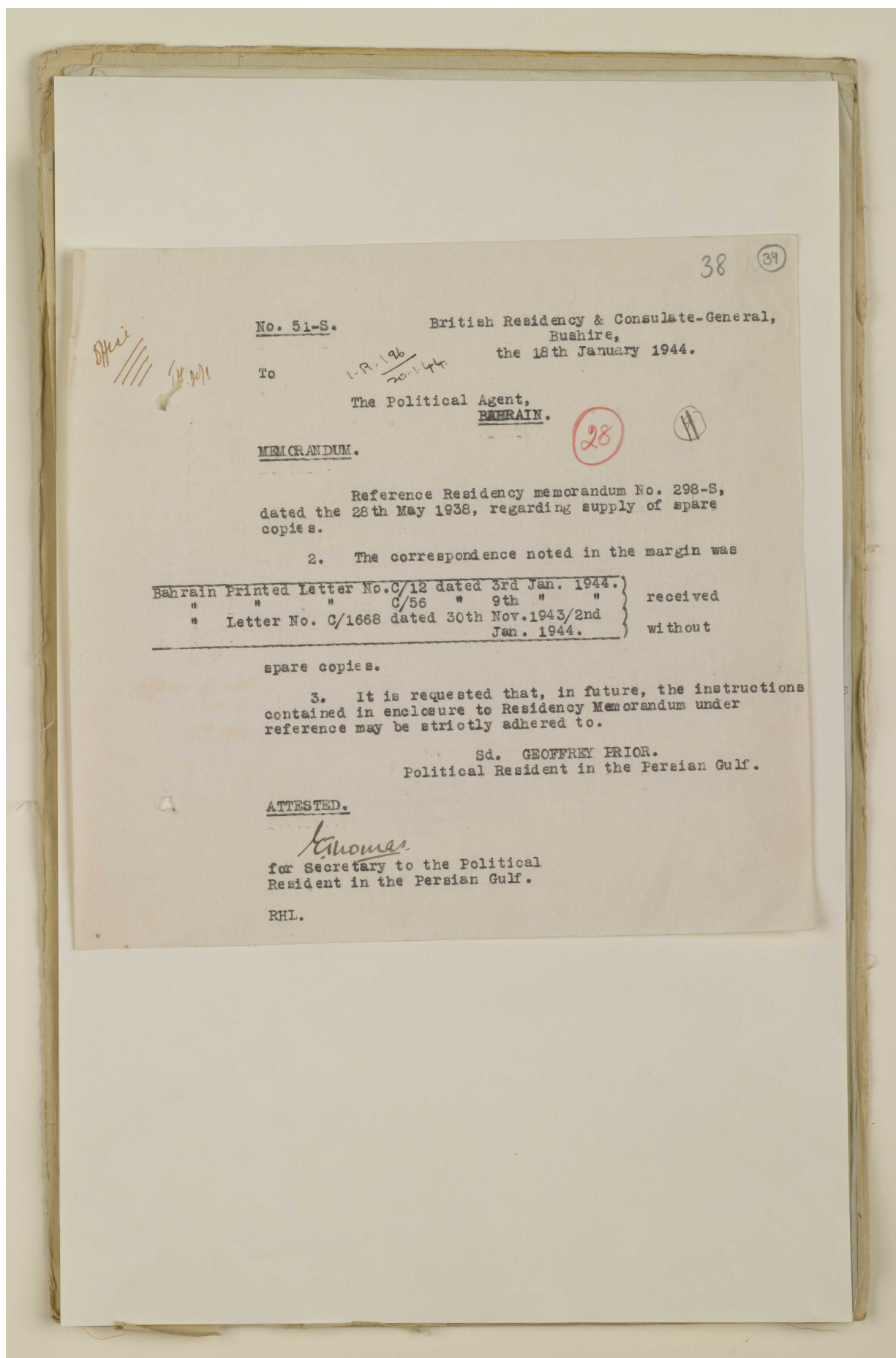












No. 51-S. British Residency & Consulate-General,  
Bushire,  
the 18th January 1944.

To  
The Political Agent,  
BAHRAIN.

MEMORANDUM.

Reference Residency memorandum No. 298-S,  
dated the 28th May 1938, regarding supply of spare  
copies.

2. The correspondence noted in the margin was

Bahrain Printed Letter No. C/12 dated 3rd Jan. 1944.	} received	
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" Letter No. C/1668 dated 30th Nov. 1943/2nd Jan. 1944.		

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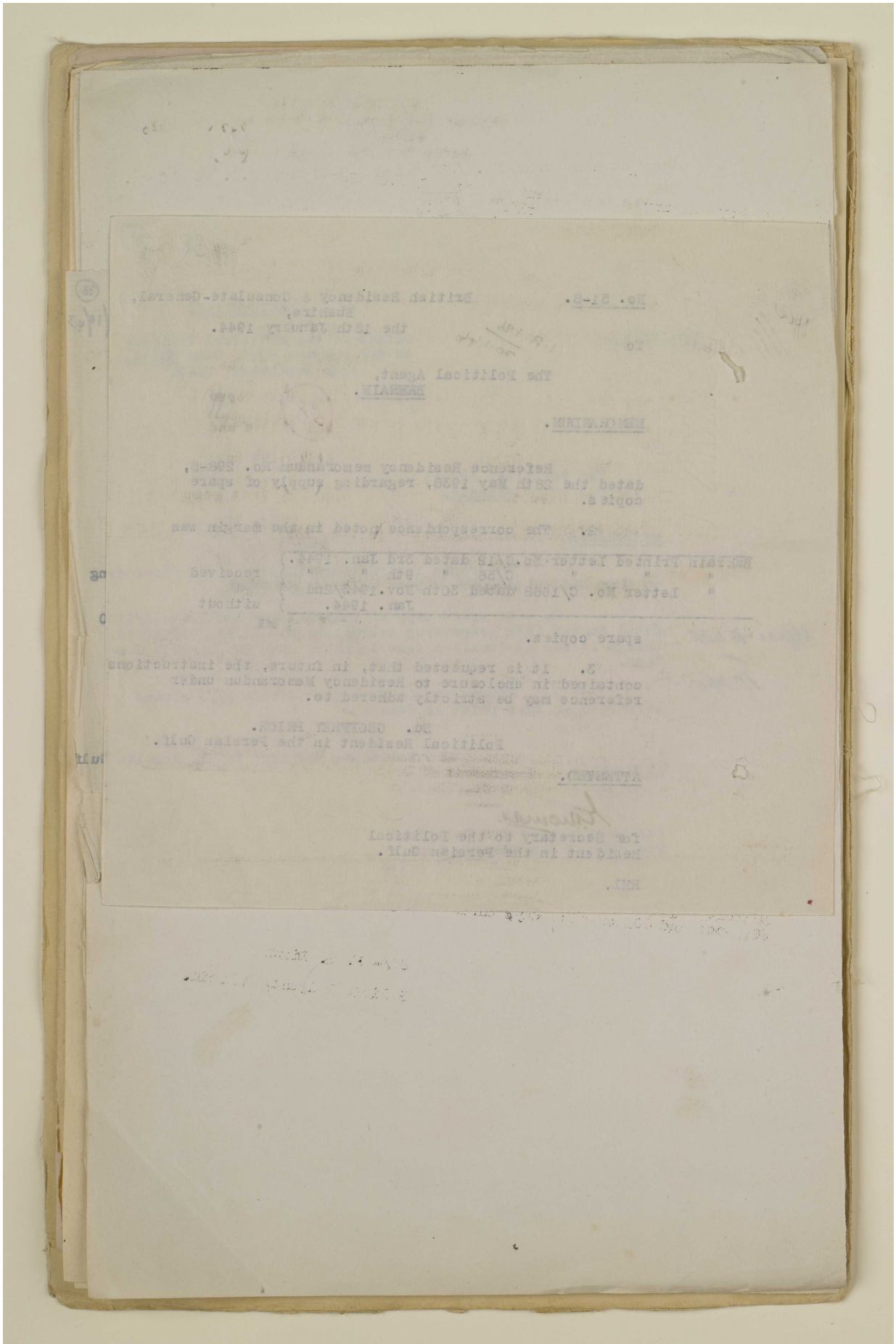
3. It is requested that, in future, the instructions  
contained in enclosure to Residency Memorandum under  
reference may be strictly adhered to.

Sd. GEOFFREY PRIOR.  
Political Resident in the Persian Gulf.

ATTESTED.

*[Signature]*  
for Secretary to the Political  
Resident in the Persian Gulf.

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No. 87-S of 1944.  
British Residency and Consulate General,  
Bushire.  
Dated the 28th January 1944.

To,  
The Political Agent, Kuwait.  
" " , Muscat.  
" " , Bahrain.  
His Majesty's Consul, Khorramshahr.  
" " , Bandar Abbas.  
" " , Kerman.

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MEMORANDUM.

The exigencies of the service may necessitate unexpected visits to be paid to areas within the jurisdiction of another Indian Political Service post.

2 Since, fortunately, both shores of the Gulf form an administrative unit, it is hoped that officers will not hesitate to pay such visits and that if circumstances do not permit of intimation being given in advance they will not refrain on that account from making them. In such cases, however, the earliest possible opportunity should be taken of informing the officer responsible for the area.

Sd. G.C. Prior,  
Political Resident in the Persian Gulf.

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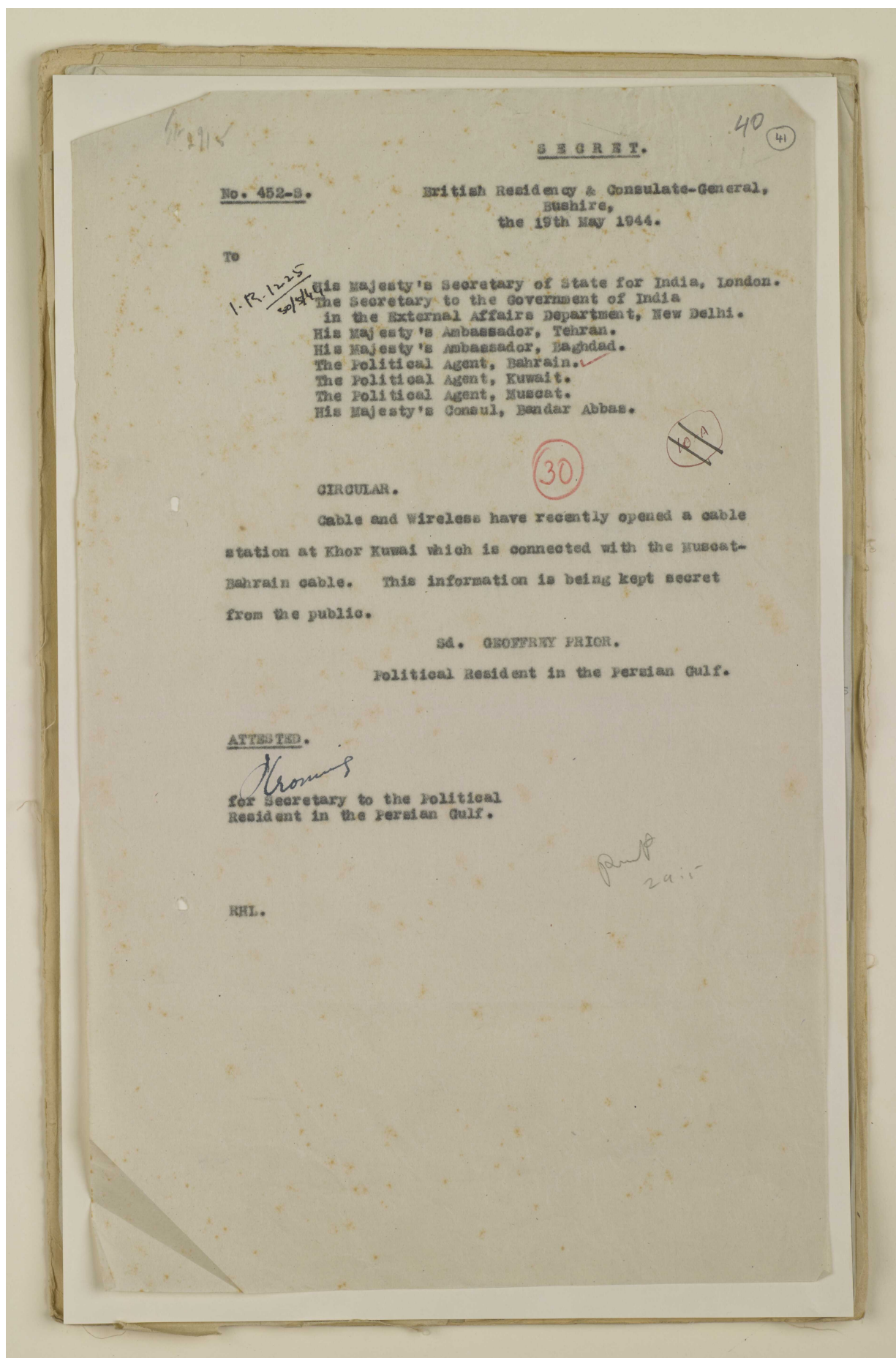
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for Secretary to the Political Resident  
in the Persian Gulf.

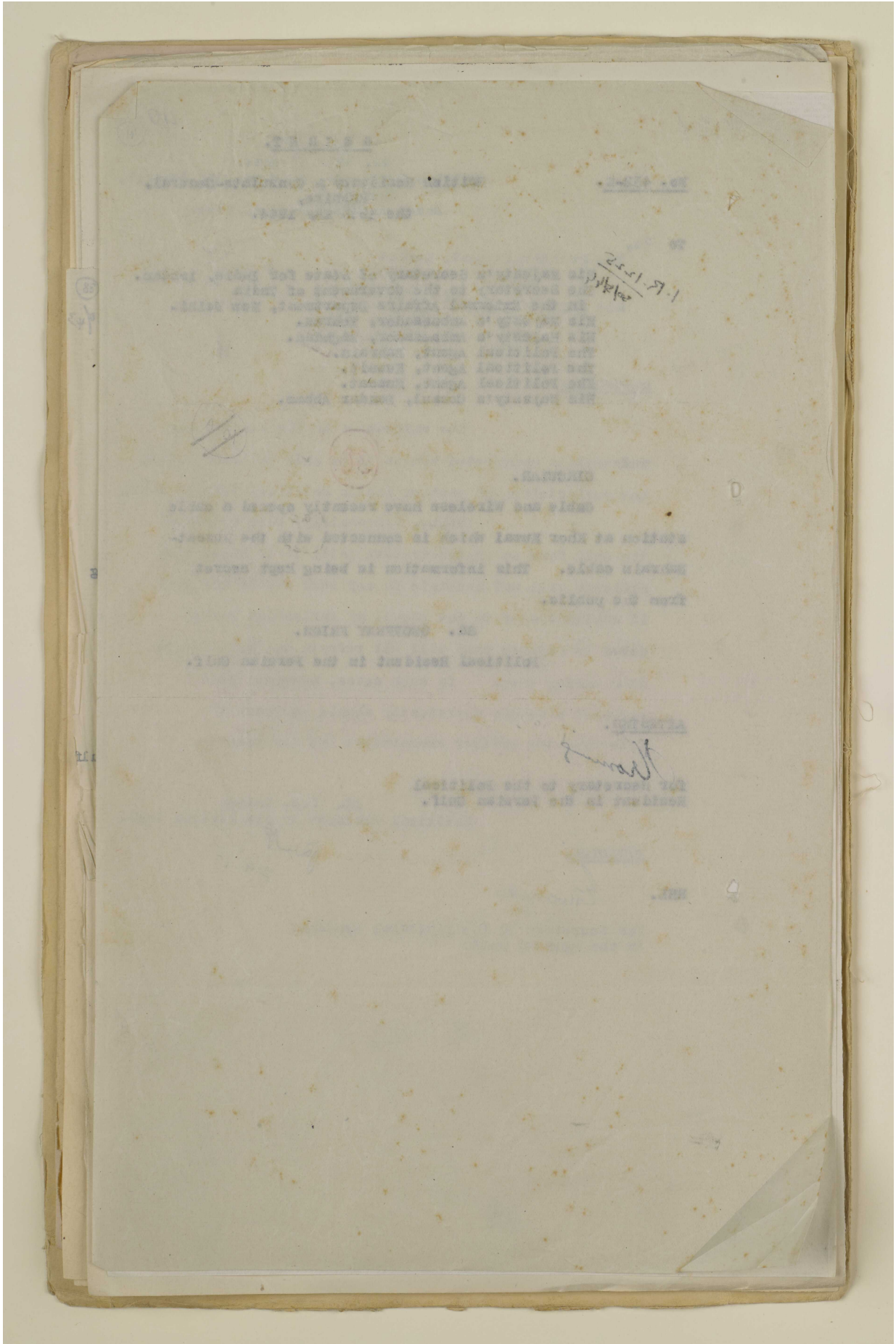
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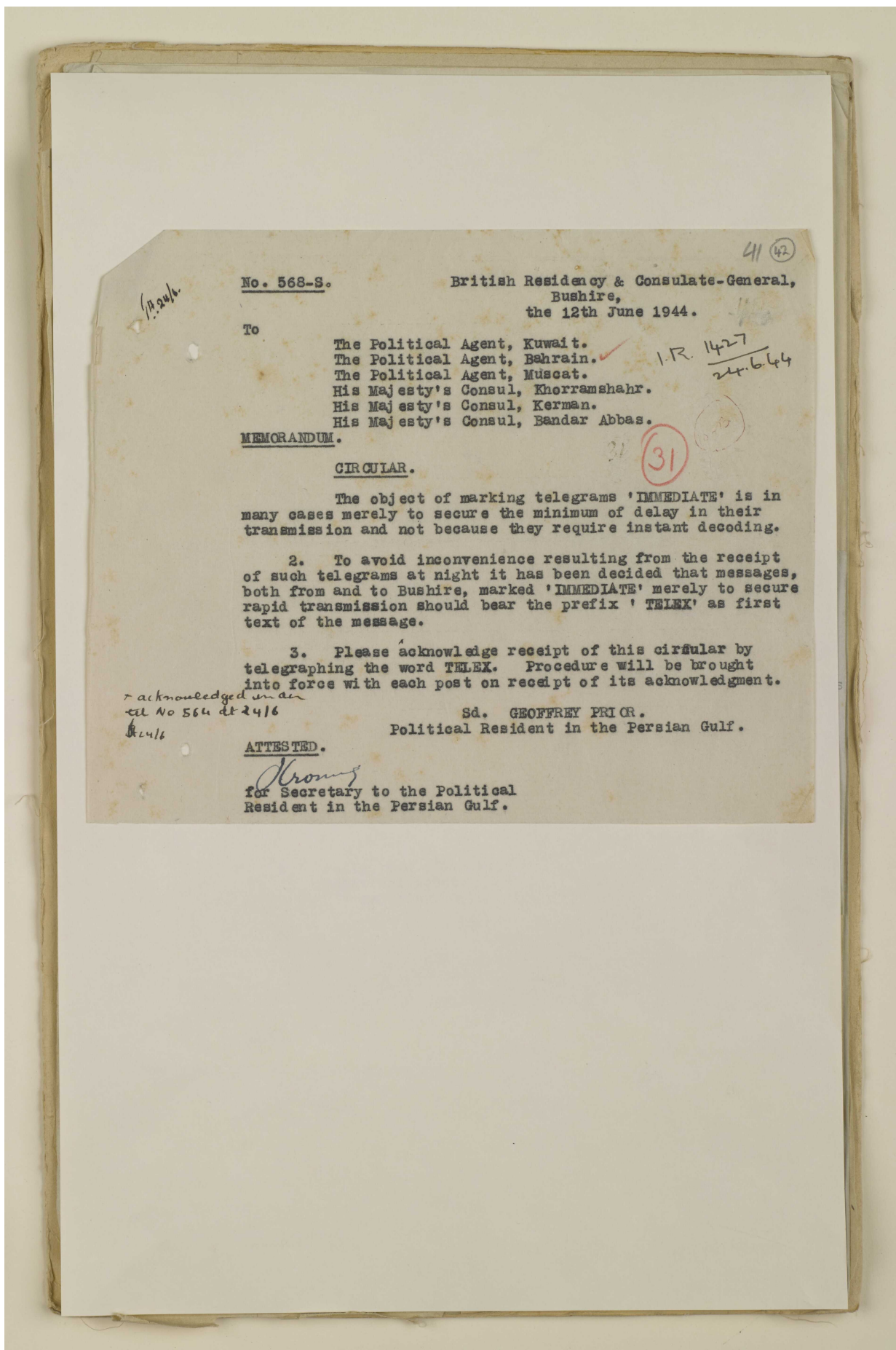


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*19.2.46*  
No. 568-S.

British Residency & Consulate-General,  
Bushire,  
the 12th June 1944.

To

The Political Agent, Kuwait.  
The Political Agent, Bahrain. ✓  
The Political Agent, Muscat.  
His Majesty's Consul, Khorramshahr.  
His Majesty's Consul, Kerman.  
His Majesty's Consul, Bandar Abbas.

*I.R. 1427  
24.6.44*

MEMORANDUM.

CIRCULAR.

The object of marking telegrams 'IMMEDIATE' is in many cases merely to secure the minimum of delay in their transmission and not because they require instant decoding.

2. To avoid inconvenience resulting from the receipt of such telegrams at night it has been decided that messages, both from and to Bushire, marked 'IMMEDIATE' merely to secure rapid transmission should bear the prefix 'TELEX' as first text of the message.

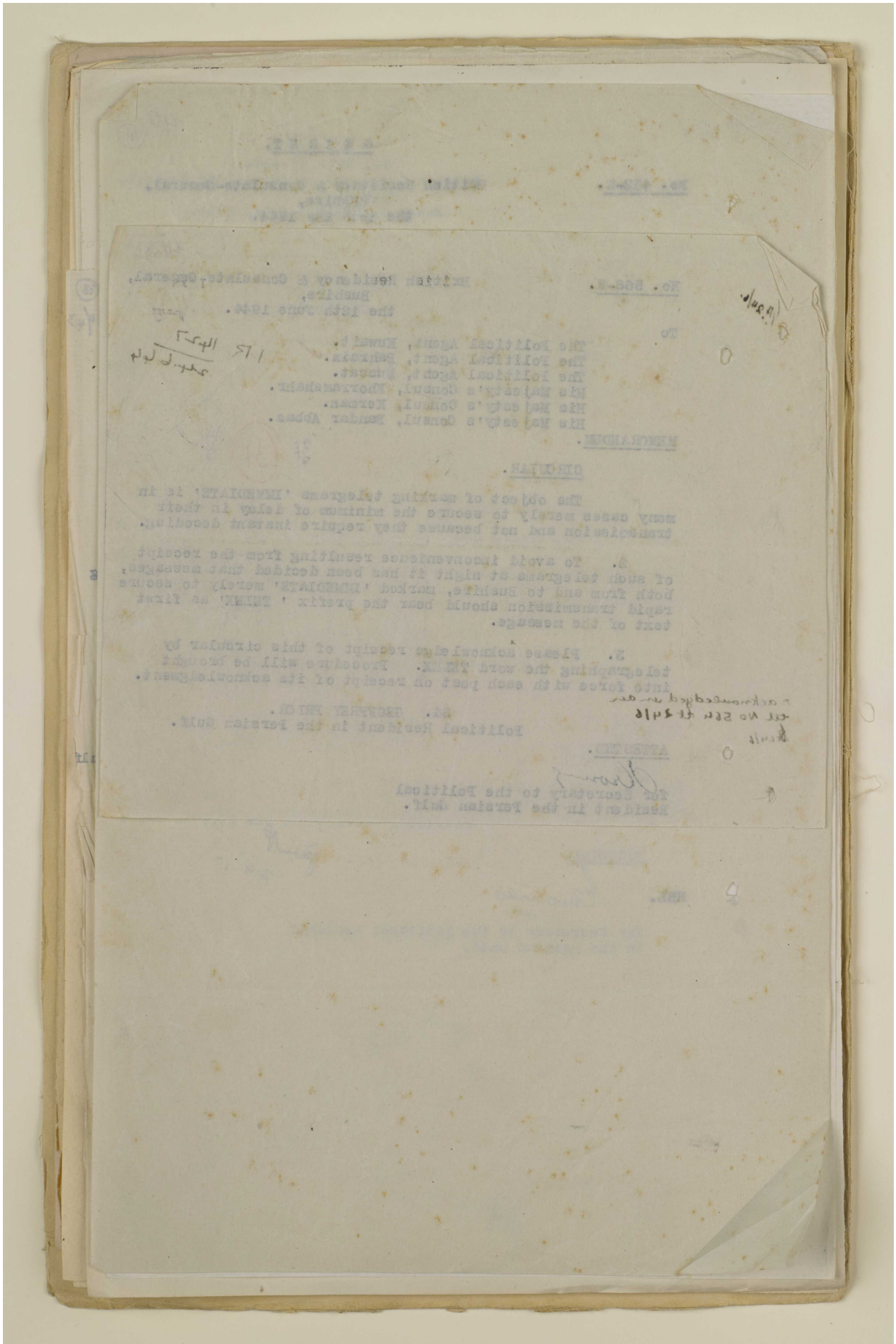
3. Please acknowledge receipt of this circular by telegraphing the word TELEX. Procedure will be brought into force with each post on receipt of its acknowledgment.

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Sd. GEOFFREY PRIOR.  
Political Resident in the Persian Gulf.

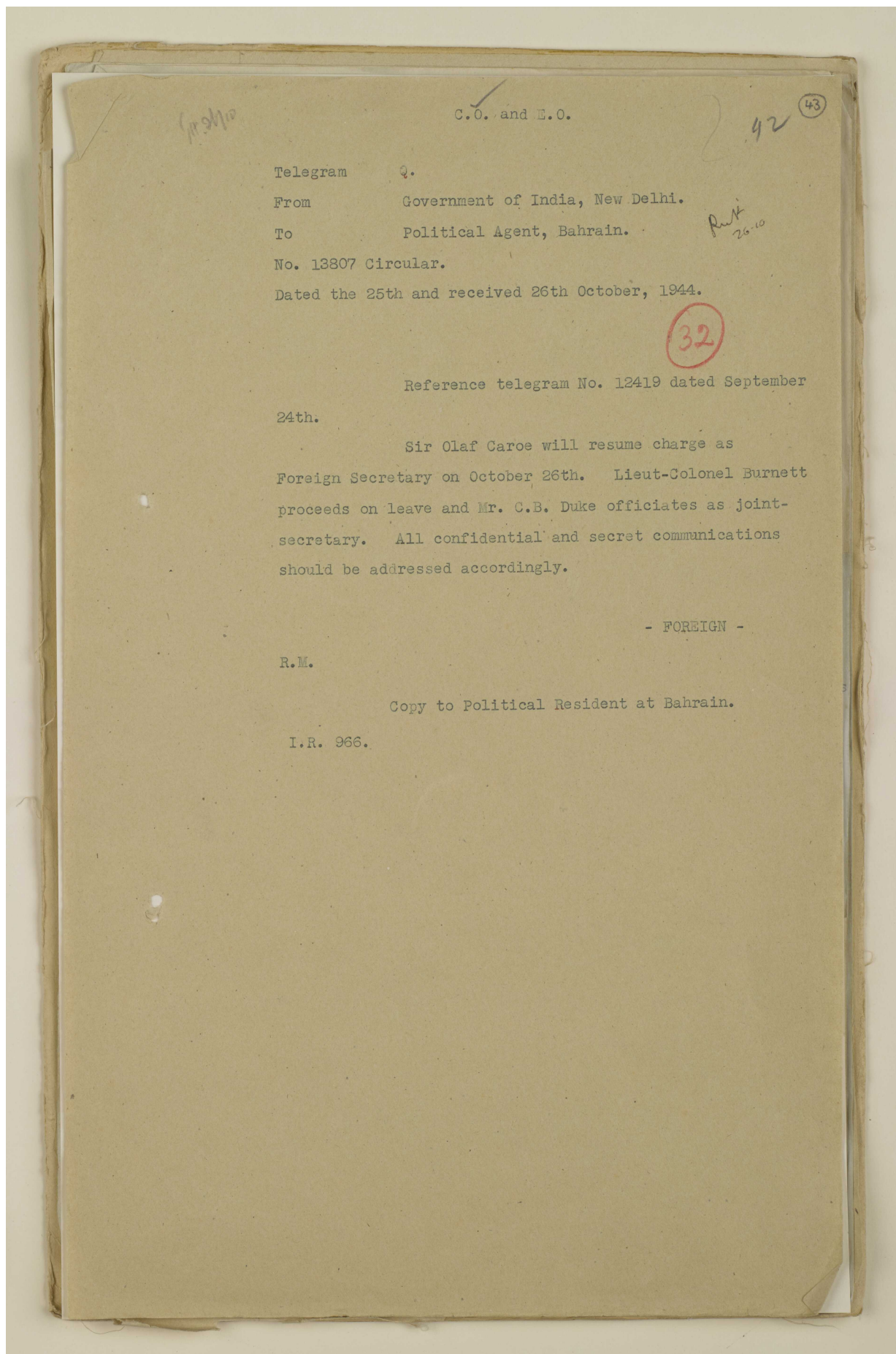
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*Kroning*  
for Secretary to the Political  
Resident in the Persian Gulf.

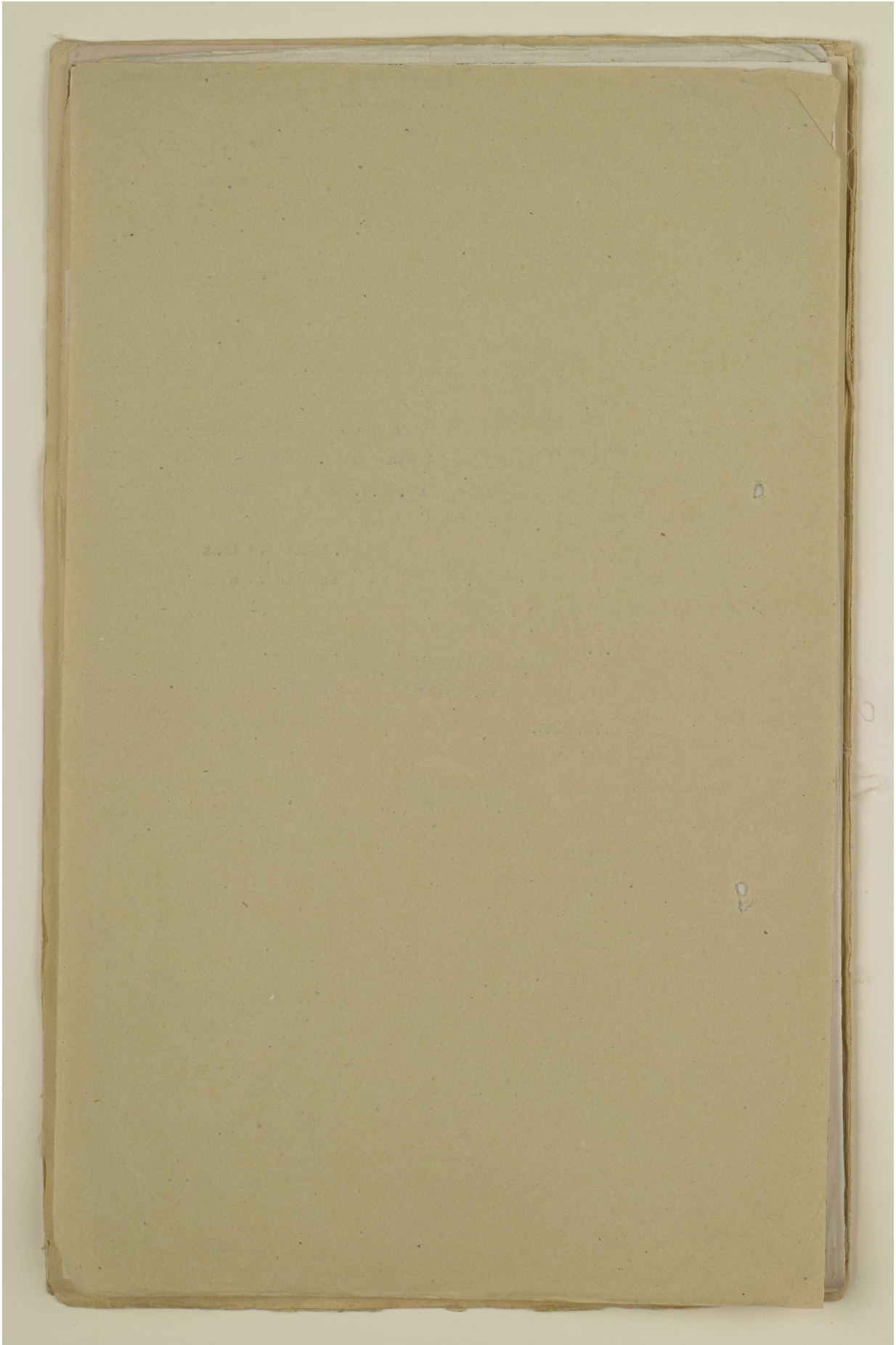




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British Residency & Consulate-General,  
Bushire,  
the 23rd December, 1944.

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**Bahrain Receipt**  
To No. 85 Date 24.1.45

The Political Agent, BAHRAIN. ✓  
The Political Agent, MUSCAT.  
The Political Agent, KUWAIT.

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*Handwritten initials:*  
I.R. 16/25/45

MEMORANDUM NO. 945-S

(Copy retained in c.o.)

Reference my memorandum No. 636-S dated the 10th June 1943, in which Agencies were asked to send spare copies of all correspondence which are likely to be forwarded to other posts.

2. The India Office have now indicated that they require spare copies as follows of communications sent to them by Agencies direct:-

Bahrain, Muscat and Kuwait Diaries	4 spares.
Bahrain oil shipments etcetra.	4 spares.
Other correspondence	2 spares.

3. Will you please comply with this request and also send to me five spare copies of correspondence of which you do not send copies to the India Office direct, and which are likely to require distribution. Additional spare copies should be added when it is likely that copies will have to be sent to other posts e.g., Baghdad, Jeddah, A.O.C. etc.

4. A copy of this letter should be placed on your handing over file.

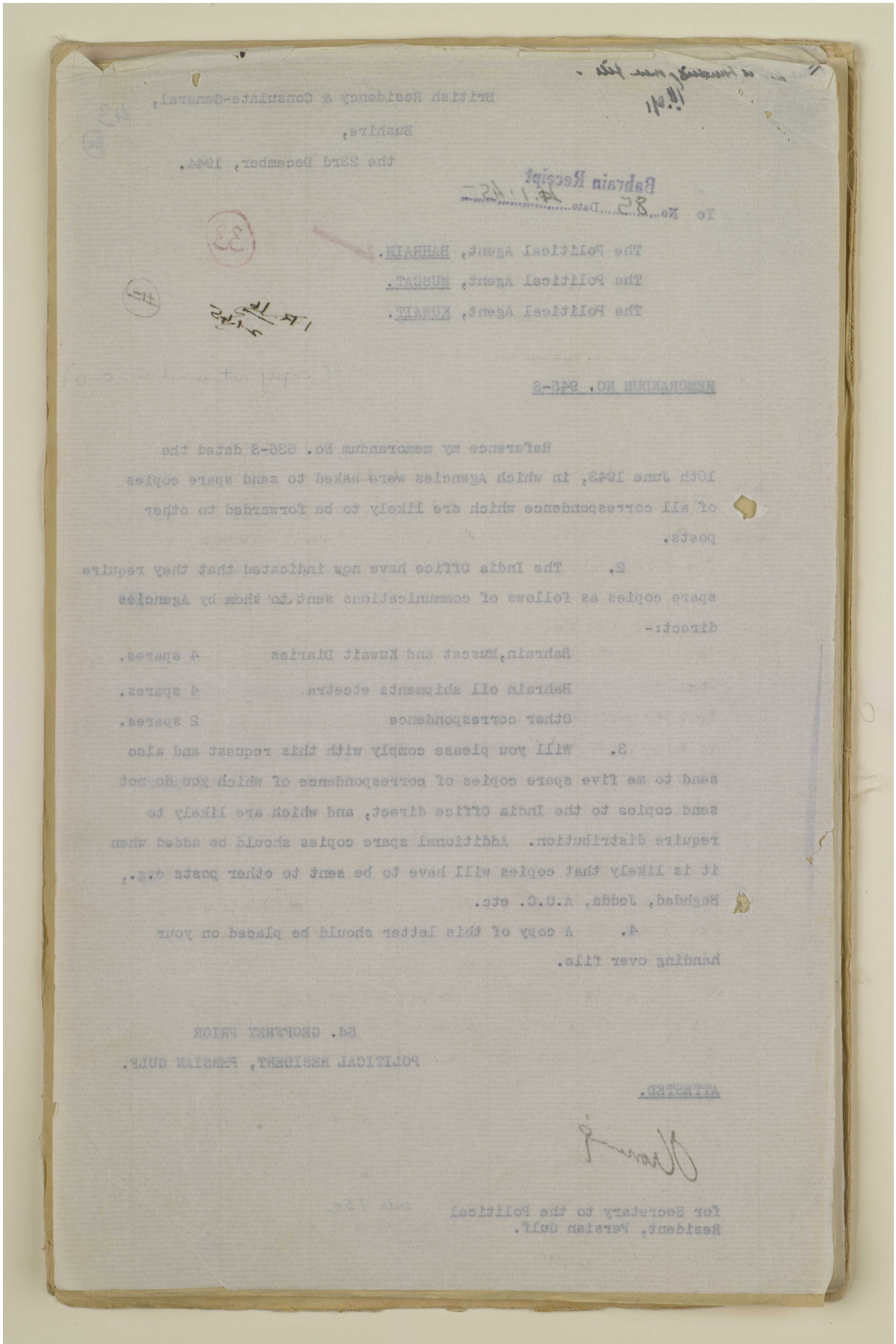
Sd. GEOFFREY PRIOR  
POLITICAL RESIDENT, PERSIAN GULF.

ATTESTED.

*Handwritten signature:*  
Kroning

for Secretary to the Political Resident, Persian Gulf.

*Handwritten note:*  
with 15c.





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No. 2852-19/174-III.

BRITISH RESIDENCY AND  
CONSULATE GENERAL,  
BUSHIRE.

Dated 24th December, 1944.

From  
The Secretary to the Honourable  
the Political Resident in the  
Persian Gulf, Bushire.

To  
The Political Agent,  
Bahrain.

Sir,

I have the honour to refer to the Honourable the Political Resident's demi-official letter No. 16/42/8 dated the 5th January, 1940, to Mr. Weightman (copy enclosed for ready reference) and to say that it appears that no action has been taken upon the orders conveyed therein. In at least one case recently which should obviously have been conducted by the Assistant Political Agent, the onus was placed on the Indian Assistant with most unfortunate results. I am desired to say that it is considered essential that the Assistant Political Agent should handle a certain number of cases under the Indian Codes each month, and Sir Geoffrey would be glad if you would arrange that appropriate ones are transferred from your file or that of the Indian Assistant to his. It would not dislocate work unduly in the Agency if the Assistant Political Agent heard such cases on at least four days per mensem and I would request that this may be done in future and the records of the cases produced for the Political Resident's inspection at his next visit.

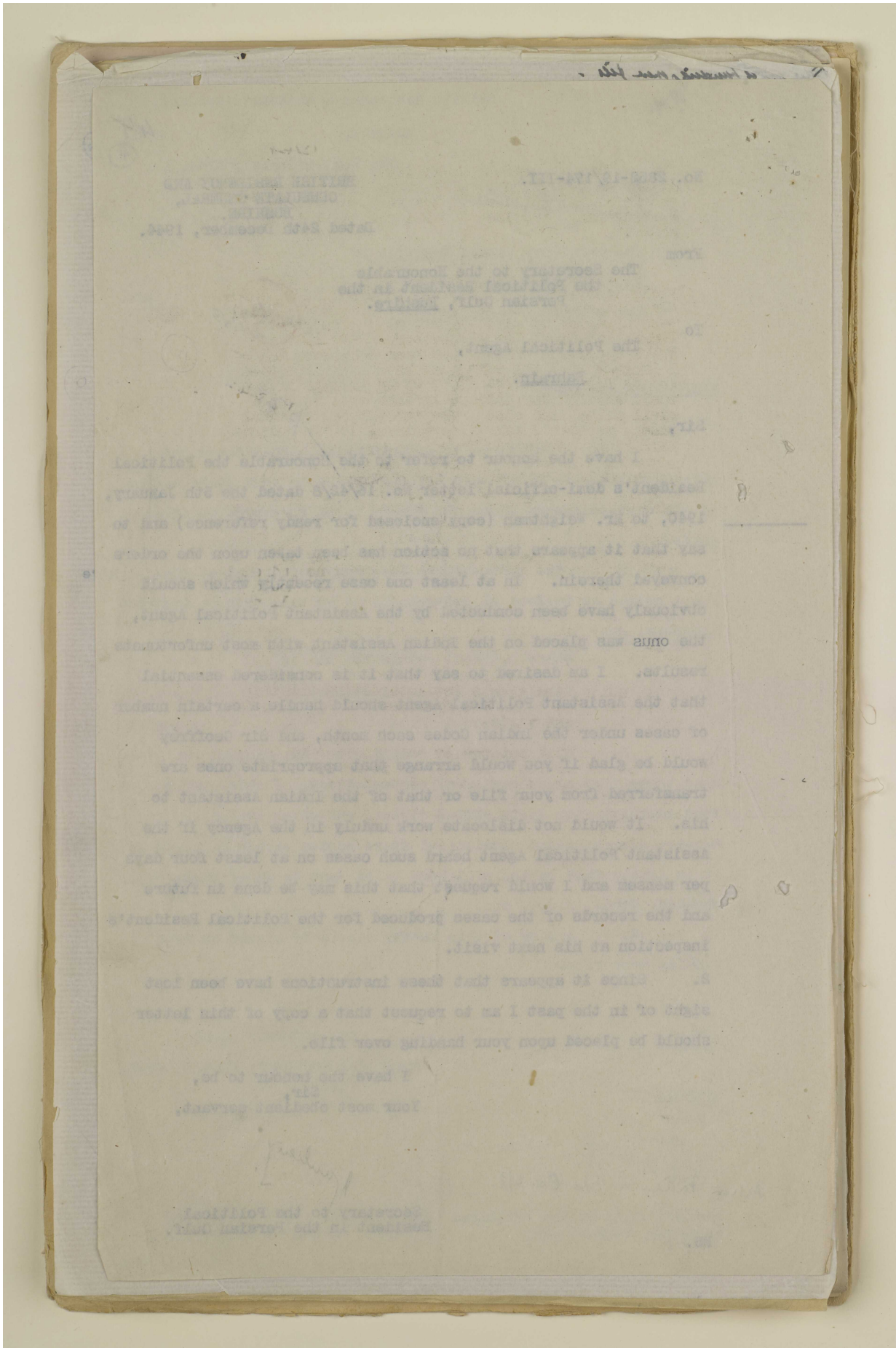
2. Since it appears that these instructions have been lost sight of in the past I am to request that a copy of this letter should be placed upon your handing over file.

I have the honour to be,  
Sir,  
Your most obedient servant,

Action taken on file Co. 2/8.

Secretary to the Political  
Resident in the Persian Gulf.

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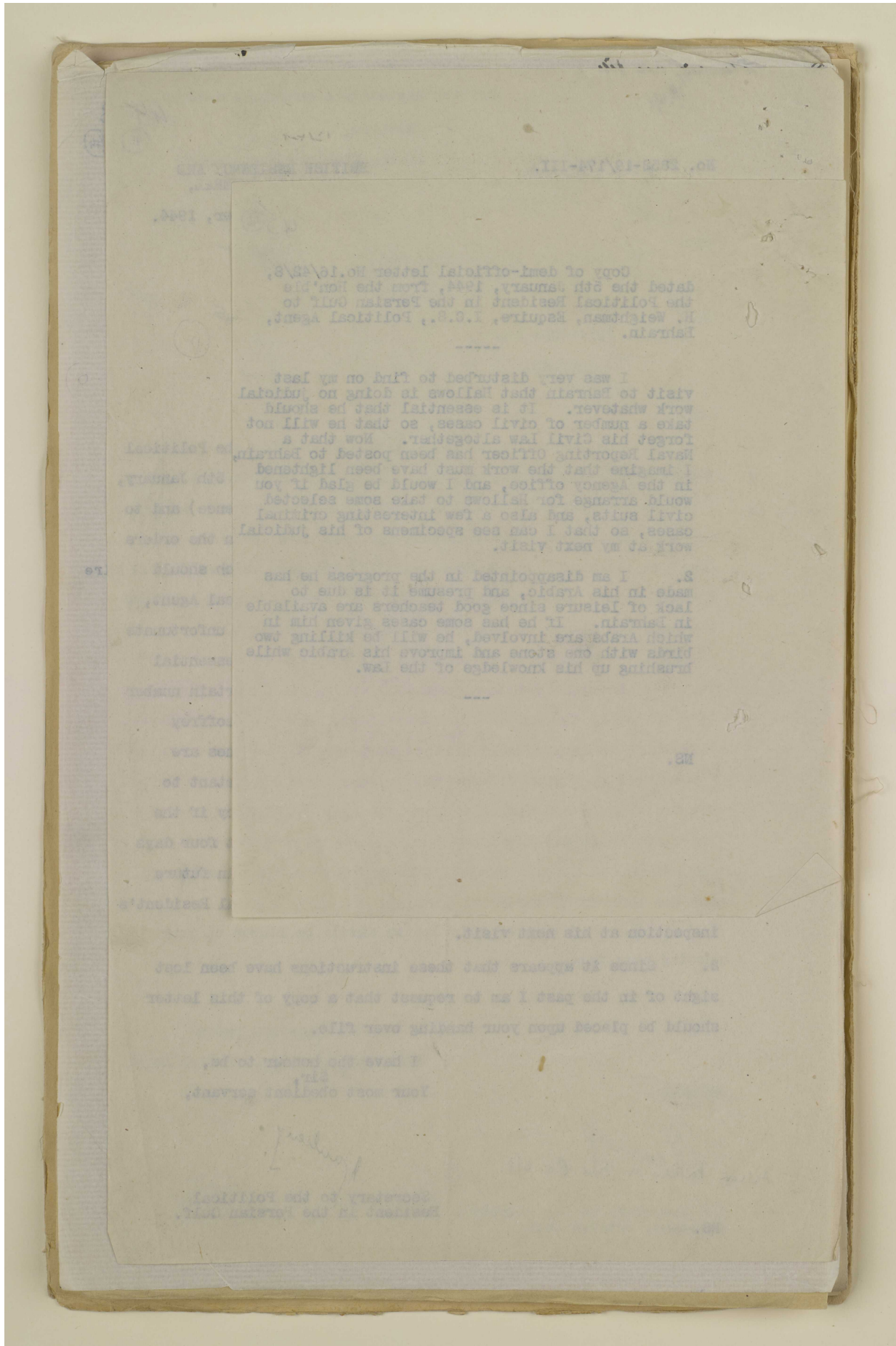
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Copy of demi-official letter No.16/42/8,  
dated the 5th January, 1944, from the Hon'ble  
the Political Resident in the Persian Gulf to  
H. Weightman, Esquire, I.C.S., Political Agent,  
Bahrain.

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I was very disturbed to find on my last  
visit to Bahrain that Hallows is doing no judicial  
work whatever. It is essential that he should  
take a number of civil cases, so that he will not  
forget his Civil Law altogether. Now that a  
Naval Reporting Officer has been posted to Bahrain,  
I imagine that the work must have been lightened  
in the Agency office, and I would be glad if you  
would arrange for Hallows to take some selected  
civil suits, and also a few interesting criminal  
cases, so that I can see specimens of his judicial  
work at my next visit.

2. I am disappointed in the progress he has  
made in his Arabic, and presume it is due to  
lack of leisure since good teachers are available  
in Bahrain. If he has some cases given him in  
which Arabs are involved, he will be killing two  
birds with one stone and improve his Arabic while  
brushing up his knowledge of the Law.

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CONFIDENTIAL

British Residency & Consulate

Bushire,  
the 17th January, 1945

To

The Political Agent, KUWAIT.

The Political Agent, BAHRAIN. ✓

The Political Agent, MUSCAT.

CIRCULAR MEMORANDUM NO. 78-S

A case recently occurred in which a presentation was made by one of the Services to a Ruler with the knowledge of the Political Agent but without this Residency being informed. It must be clear that any presentation, of other than a trivial nature, will almost certainly have a political repercussion, and in this case the Ruler lost no time in making capital out of it.

2. Should any of the Services, or for that matter any non-Arab person or corporation ( other than the oil company - if any - holding a concession for that area ) desire to make a presentation to a Ruler within your jurisdiction you should immediately inform this office before countenancing the matter in any way.

A copy of this circular should be placed on your handing over file.

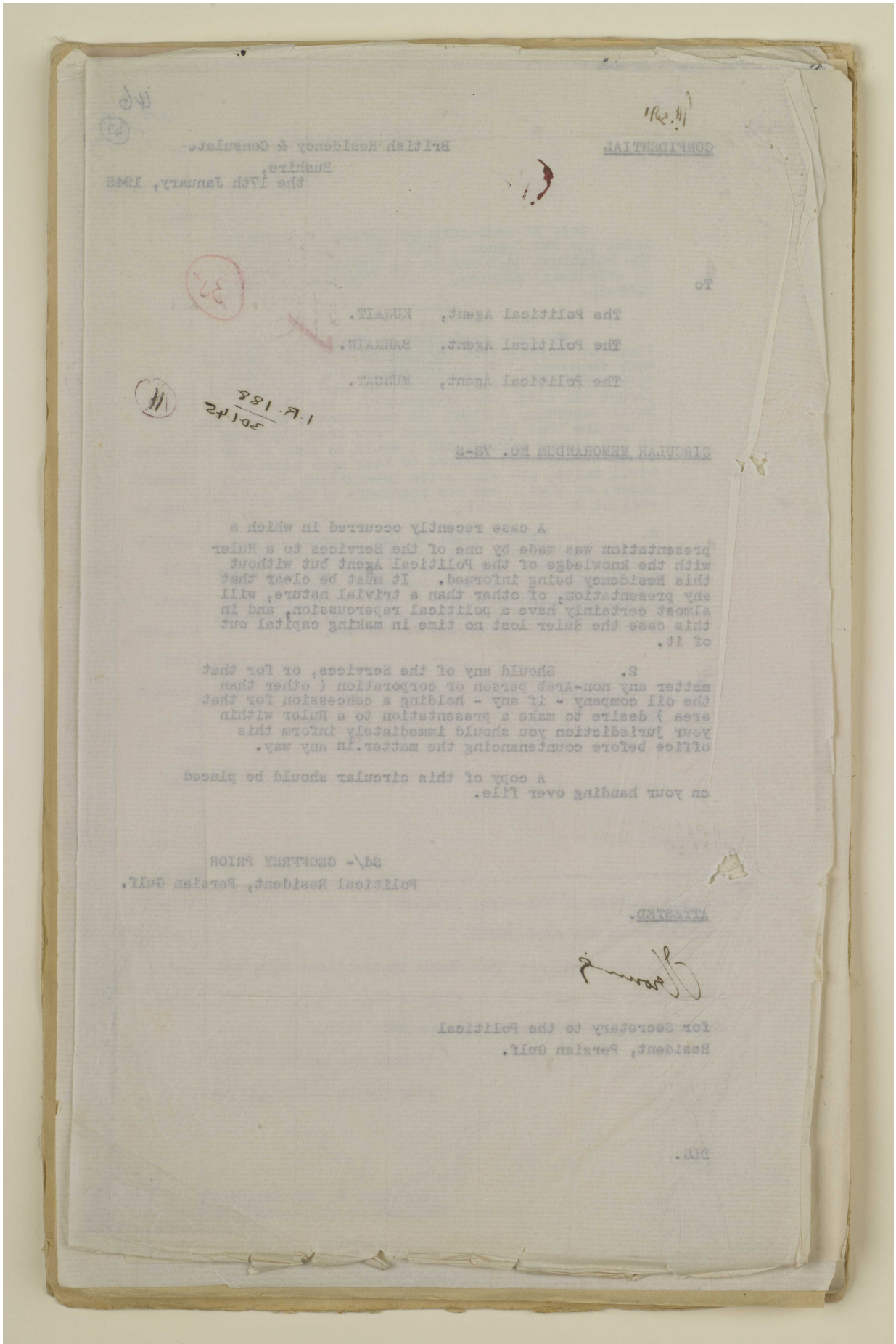
Sd/- GEOFFREY PRIOR  
Political Resident, Persian Gulf.

ATTESTED.

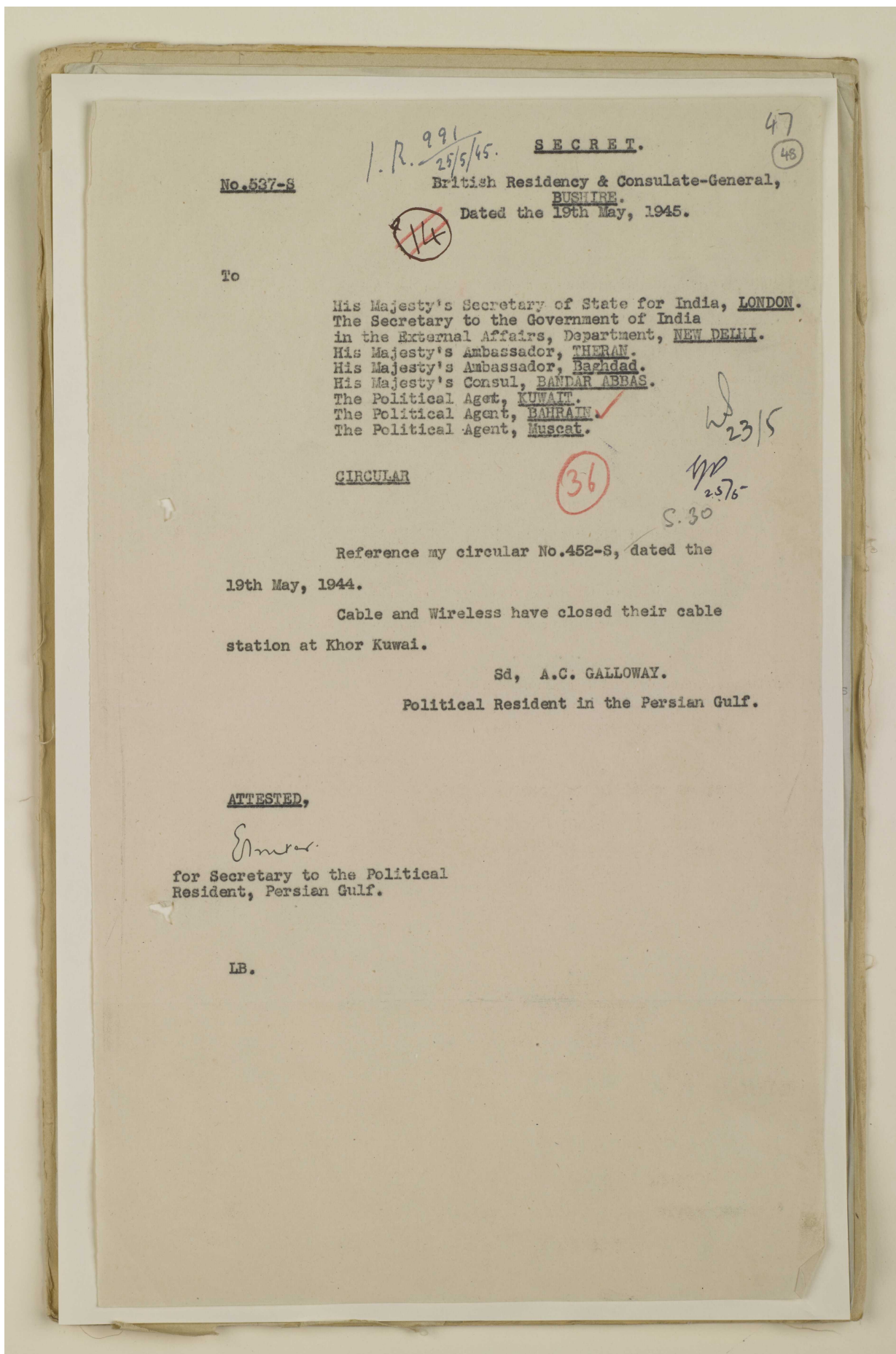
*Dr. ...*  
for Secretary to the Political  
Resident, Persian Gulf.

DLG.

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No. 537-S

I.R. 991/25/5/45.

SECRET.

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British Residency & Consulate-General,

BUSHIRE.

Dated the 19th May, 1945.

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To

His Majesty's Secretary of State for India, LONDON.  
The Secretary to the Government of India  
in the External Affairs, Department, NEW DELHI.  
His Majesty's Ambassador, TEHRAN.  
His Majesty's Ambassador, Baghdad.  
His Majesty's Consul, BANDAR ABBAS.  
The Political Agent, KUWAIT.  
The Political Agent, BAHRAIN ✓  
The Political Agent, Muscat.

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CIRCULAR

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Reference my circular No. 452-S, dated the  
19th May, 1944.

Cable and Wireless have closed their cable  
station at Khor Kuwait.

Sd, A.C. GALLOWAY.

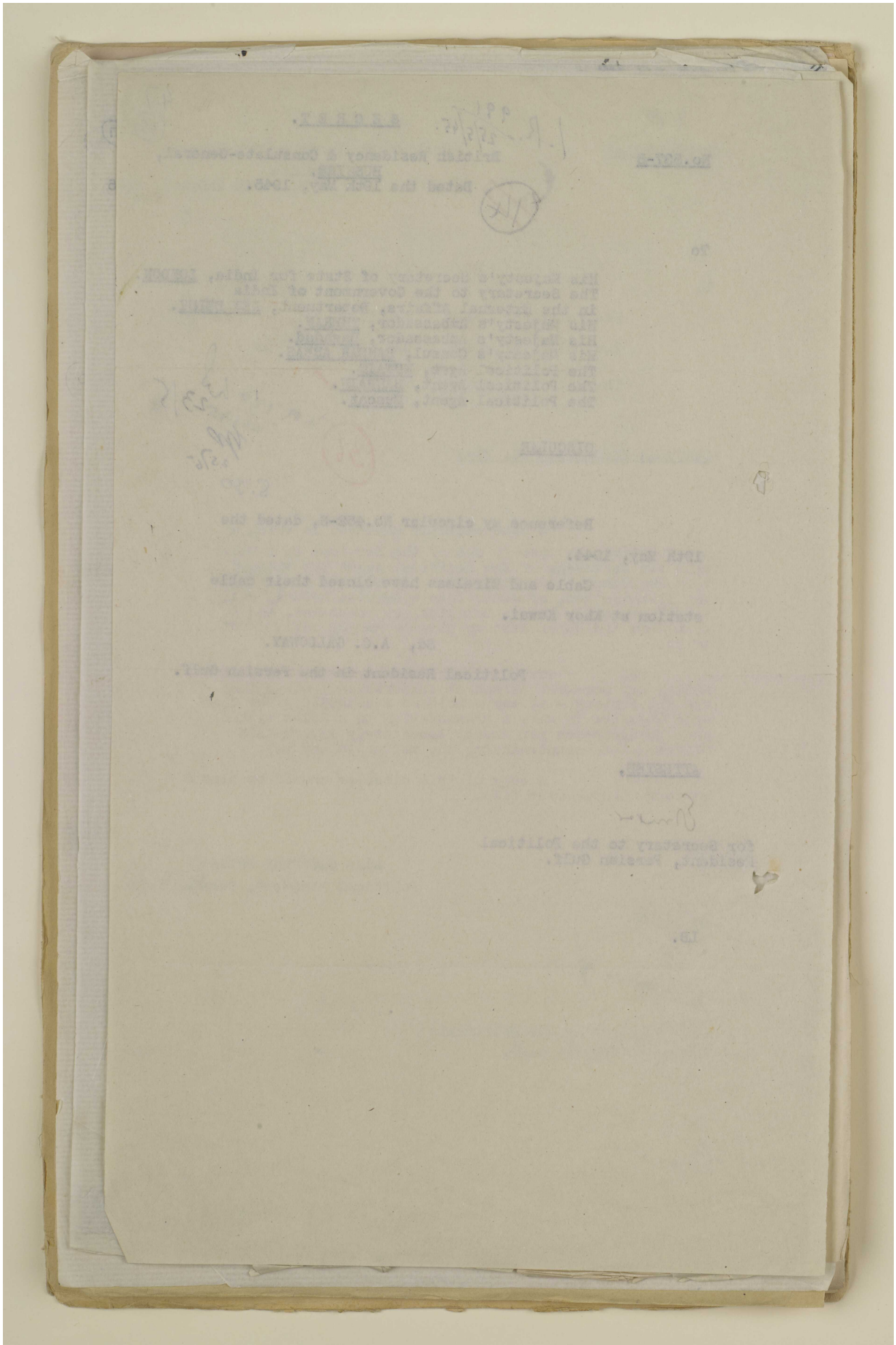
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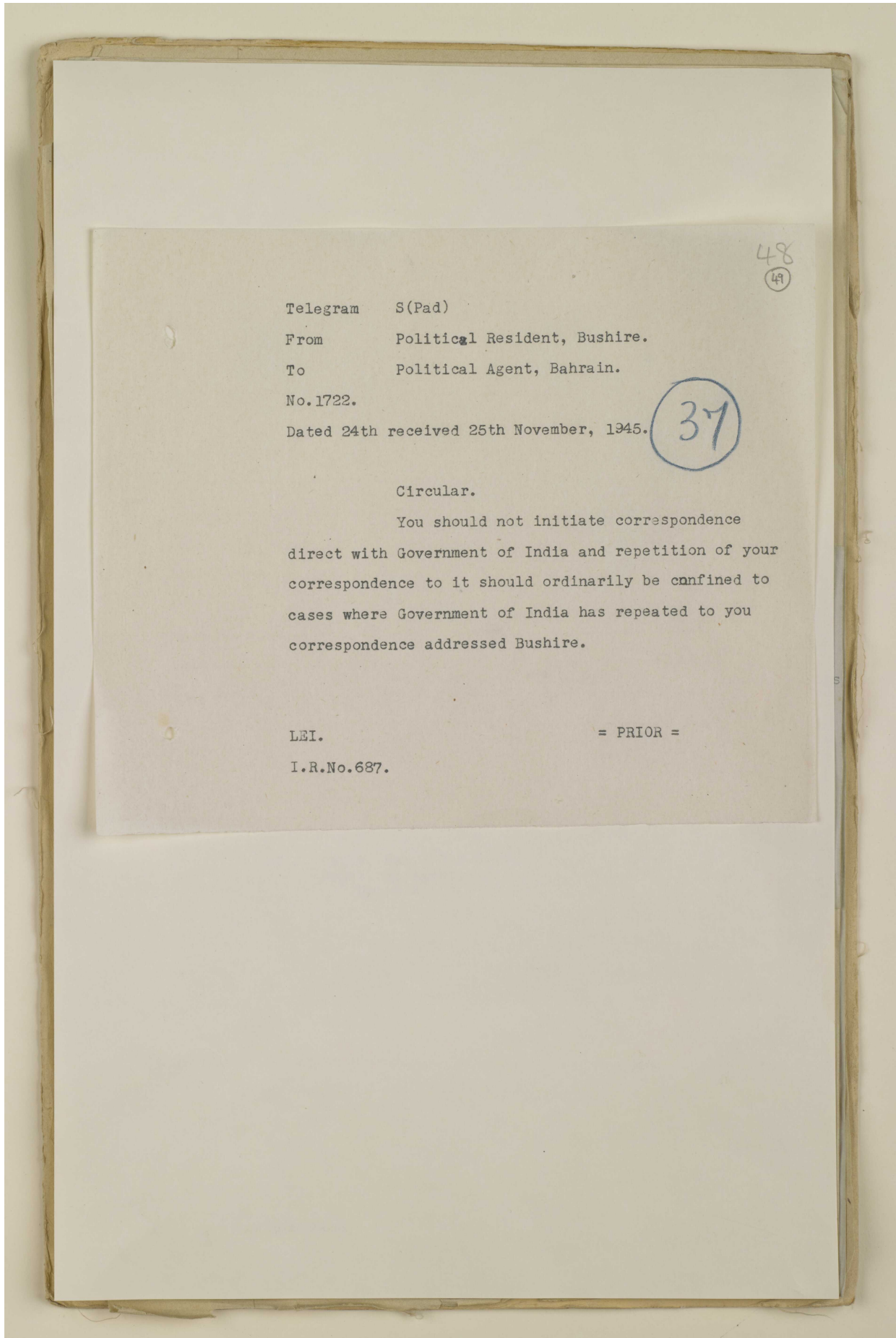
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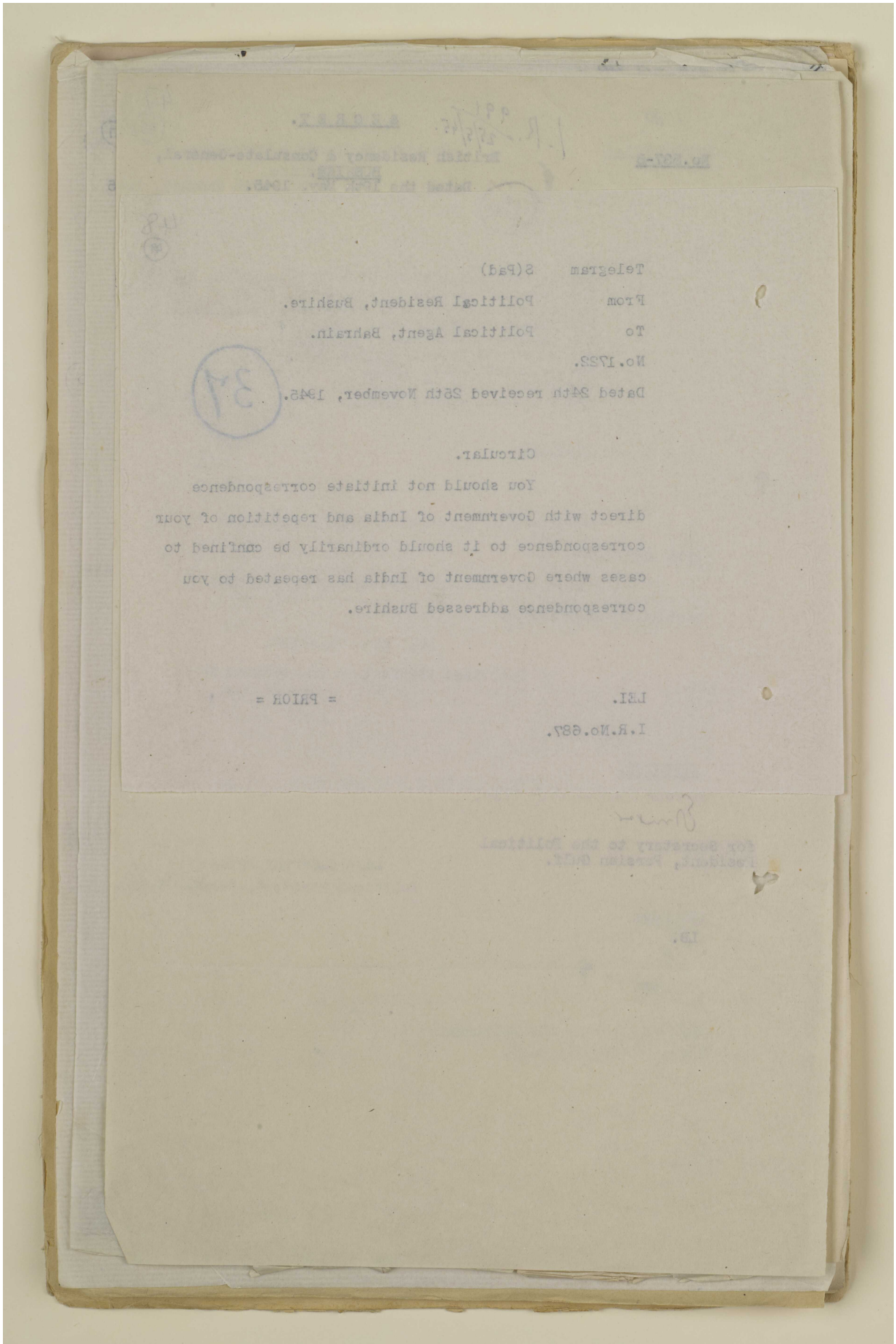
for Secretary to the Political  
Resident, Persian Gulf.

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No. 1061 of 1931.

BRITISH RESIDENCY & CONSULATE-GENERAL,  
Bushire, the 23rd May, 1931.

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The Political Agent, Bahrain.

MEMORANDUM.

Reference your memorandum No. 559/15/22 dated May 9th 1931.

I am directed to inform you that the Hon'ble the Political Resident sees no reason to modify the views expressed in this office memorandum No.820 dated the 22nd April 1931 to your address. He does not consider it necessary to pass a special act to deal with possible delinquencies in one small office consisting of some 4 or 5 clerks, especially in a place where the work, speaking generally, is not of a very highly confidential nature.

With reference to paragraph 2 of your letter I am to state that, as the post of Judicial Assistant to the Political Resident came to an end with the Persian Coast and Island Order in Council from which it derived its sanction, the Secretary to the Hon'ble the Political Resident has ceased to exercise the powers of an Additional Sessions Judge.

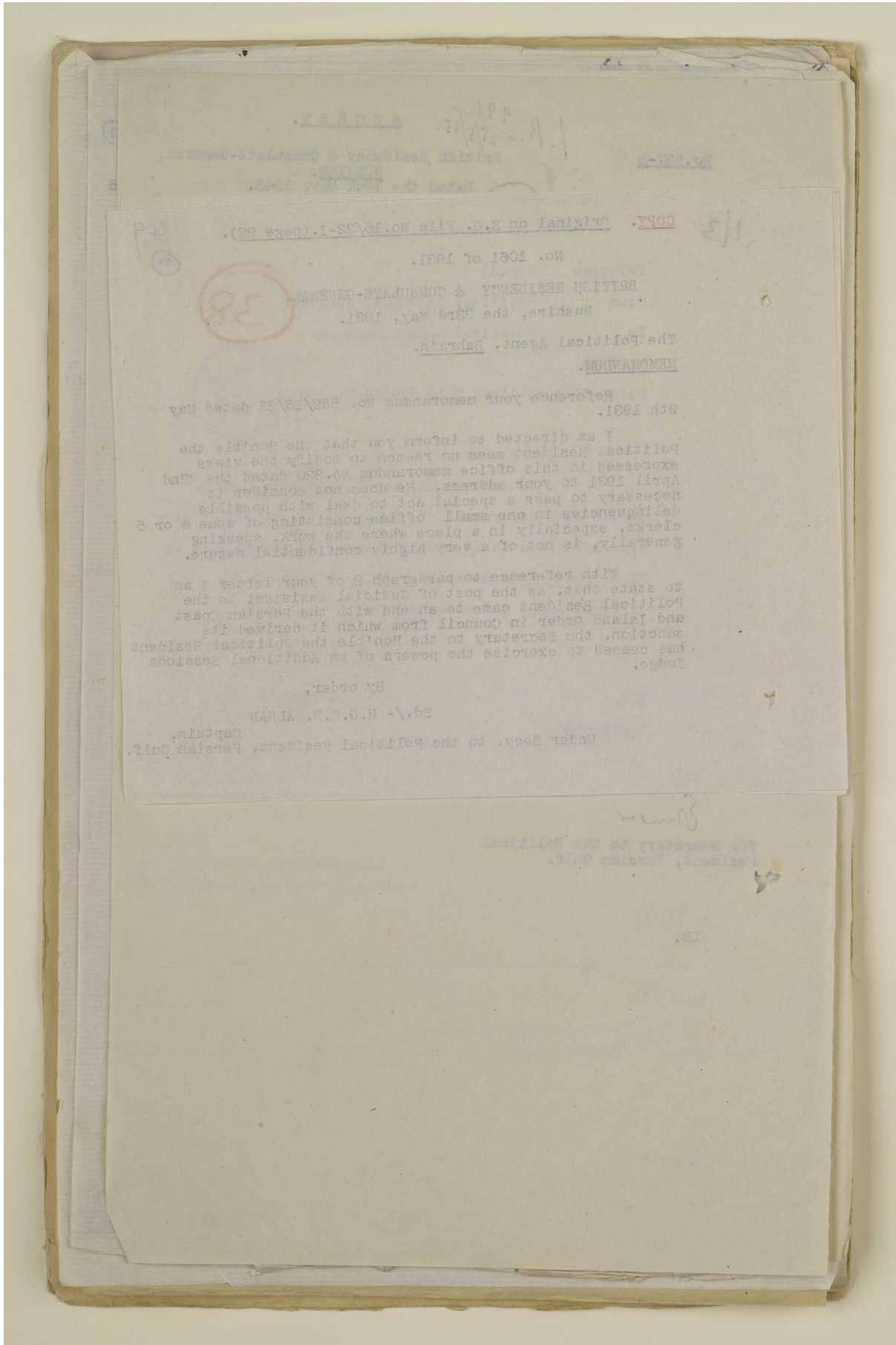
By order,

Sd./- R.G.E.W. ALBAN

Captain,

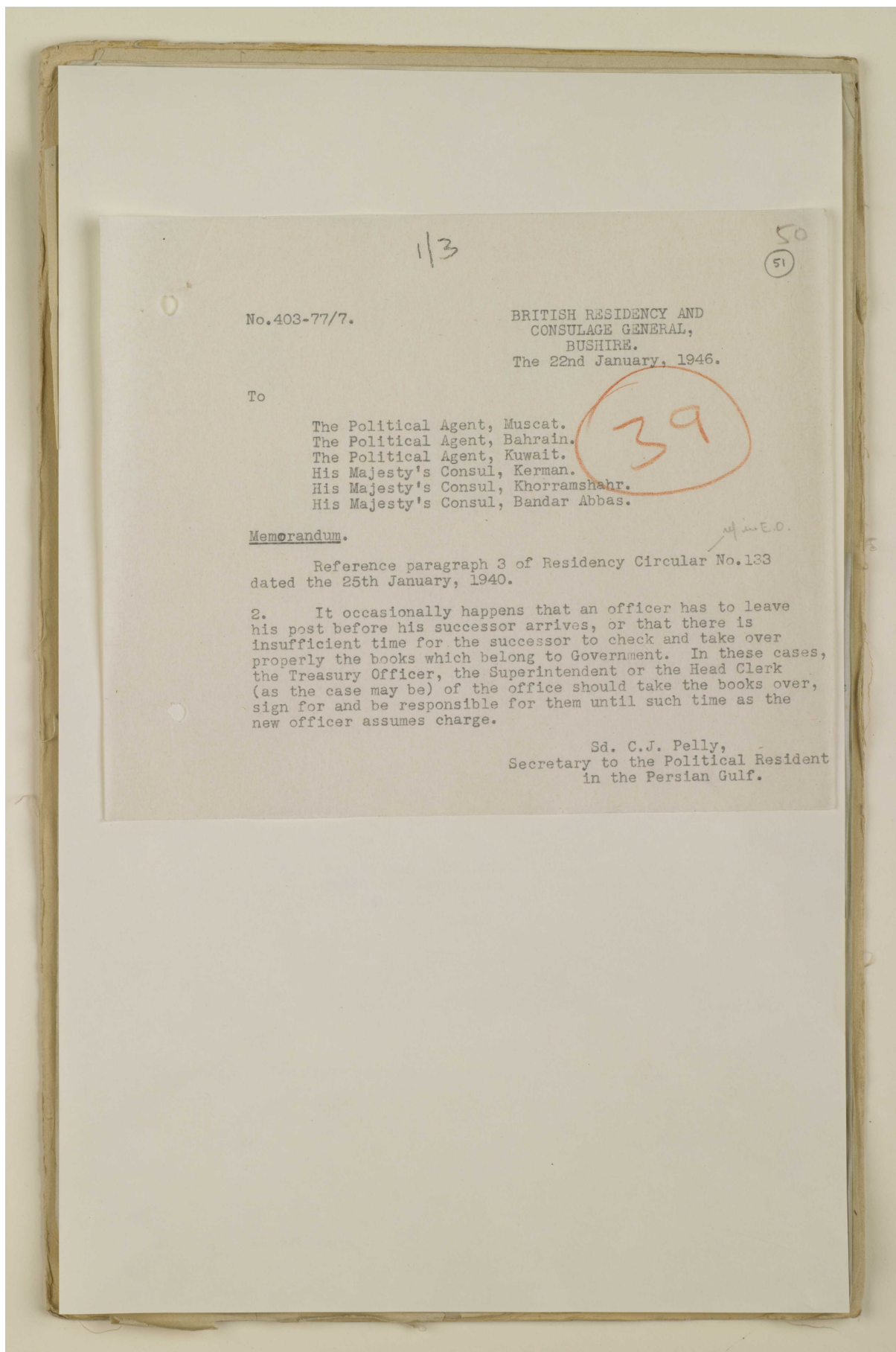
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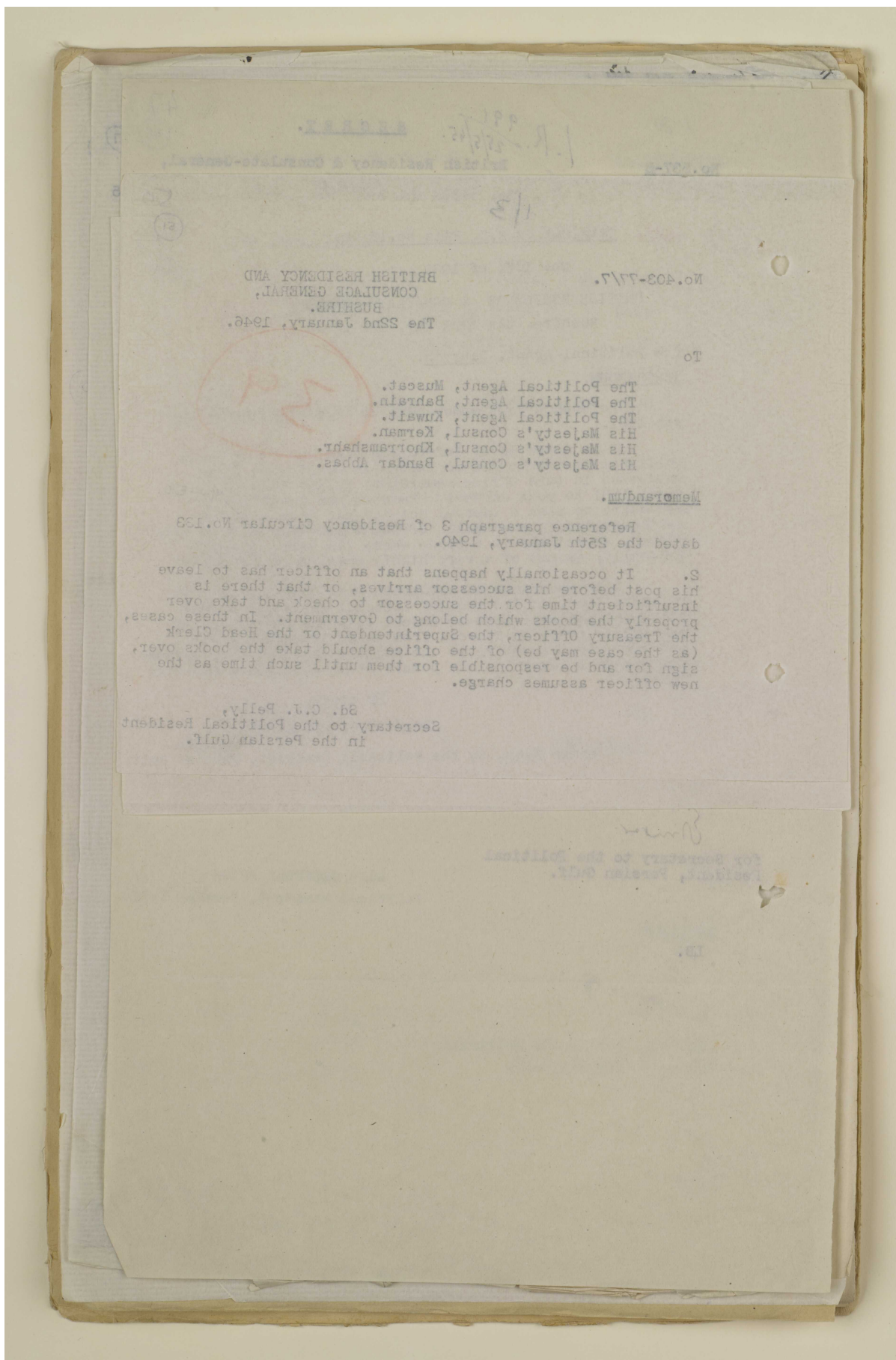




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BRITISH RESIDENCY AND  
CONSULATE GENERAL,  
BUSHIRE.  
The 25th January, 1940.

No. 403-77/7.

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To  
The Political Agent, Muscat.  
The Political Agent, Bahrain.  
The Political Agent, Kuwait.  
His Majesty's Consul, Kerma.  
His Majesty's Consul, Khorramshahr.  
His Majesty's Consul, Bandar Abbas.

Memorandum.

Reference paragraph 3 of Residency Circular No. 133  
dated the 25th January, 1940.

2. It occasionally happens that an officer has to leave  
his post before his successor arrives, or that there is  
insufficient time for the successor to check and take over  
properly the books which belong to Government. In these cases,  
the Treasury Officer, the Superintendent or the Head Clerk  
(as the case may be) of the office should take the books over,  
sign for and be responsible for them until such time as the  
new officer assumes charge.

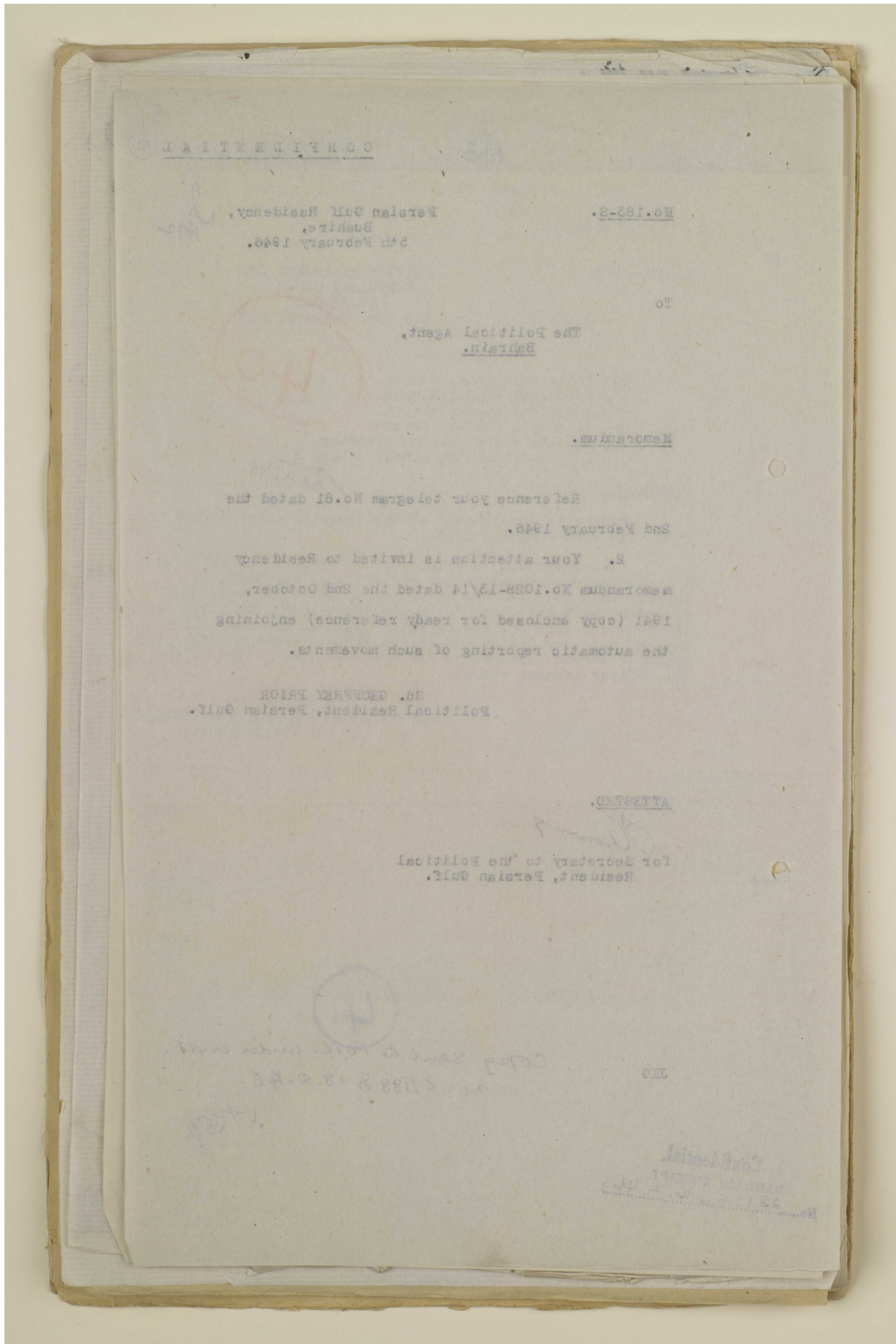
3d. C. L. Pelly,  
Secretary to the Political Resident  
in the Persian Gulf.

for Secretary to the Political  
Resident, Persian Gulf.



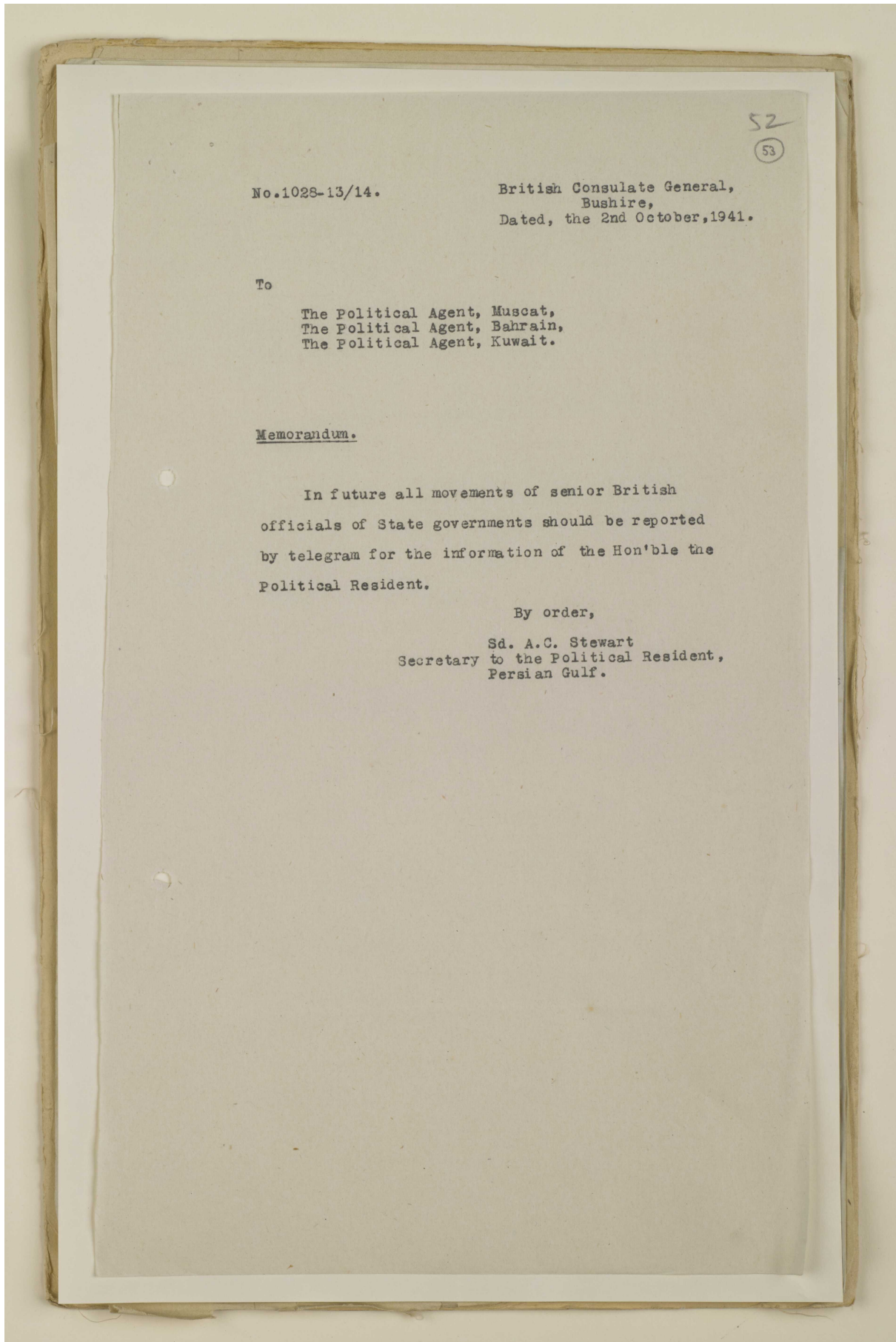


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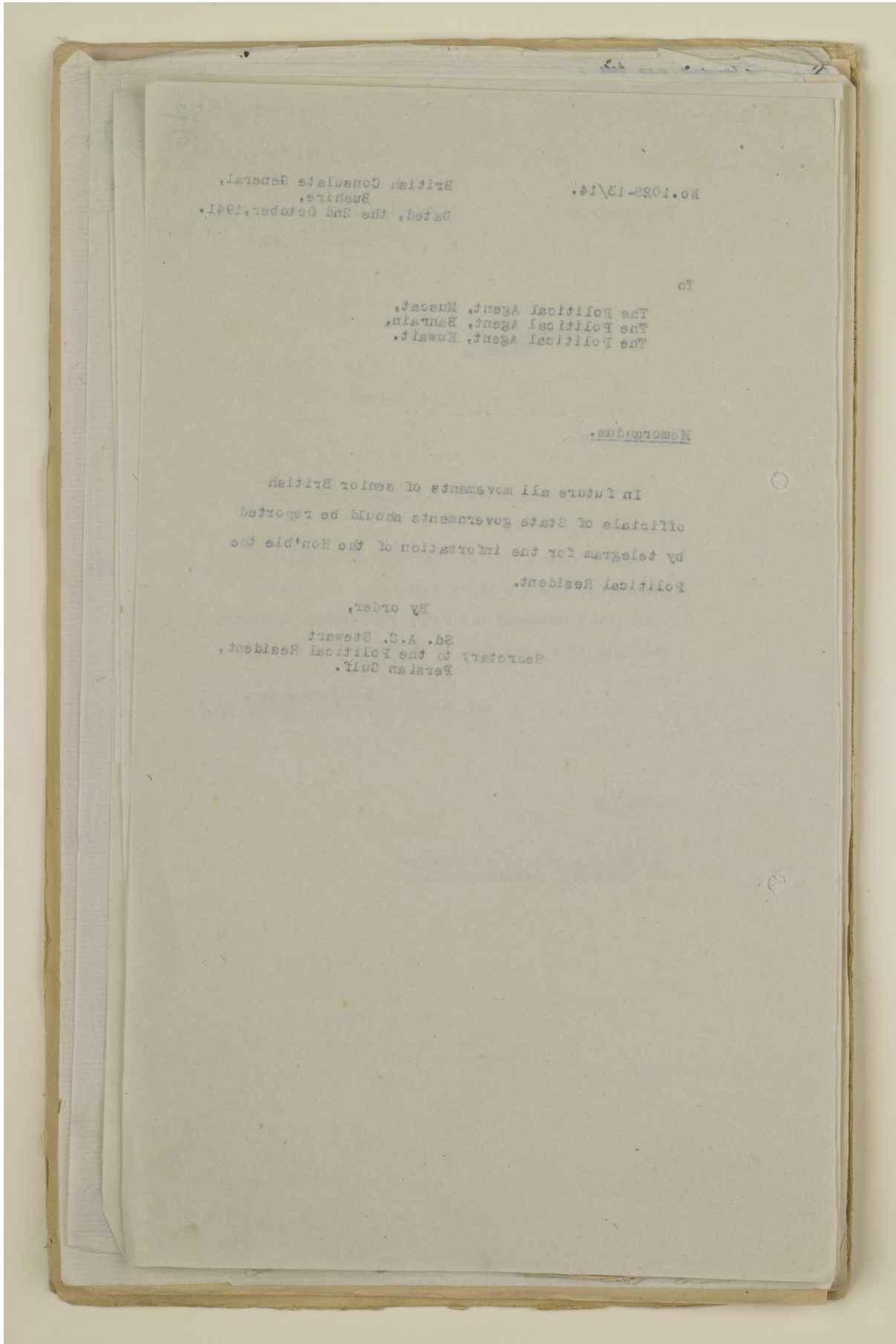




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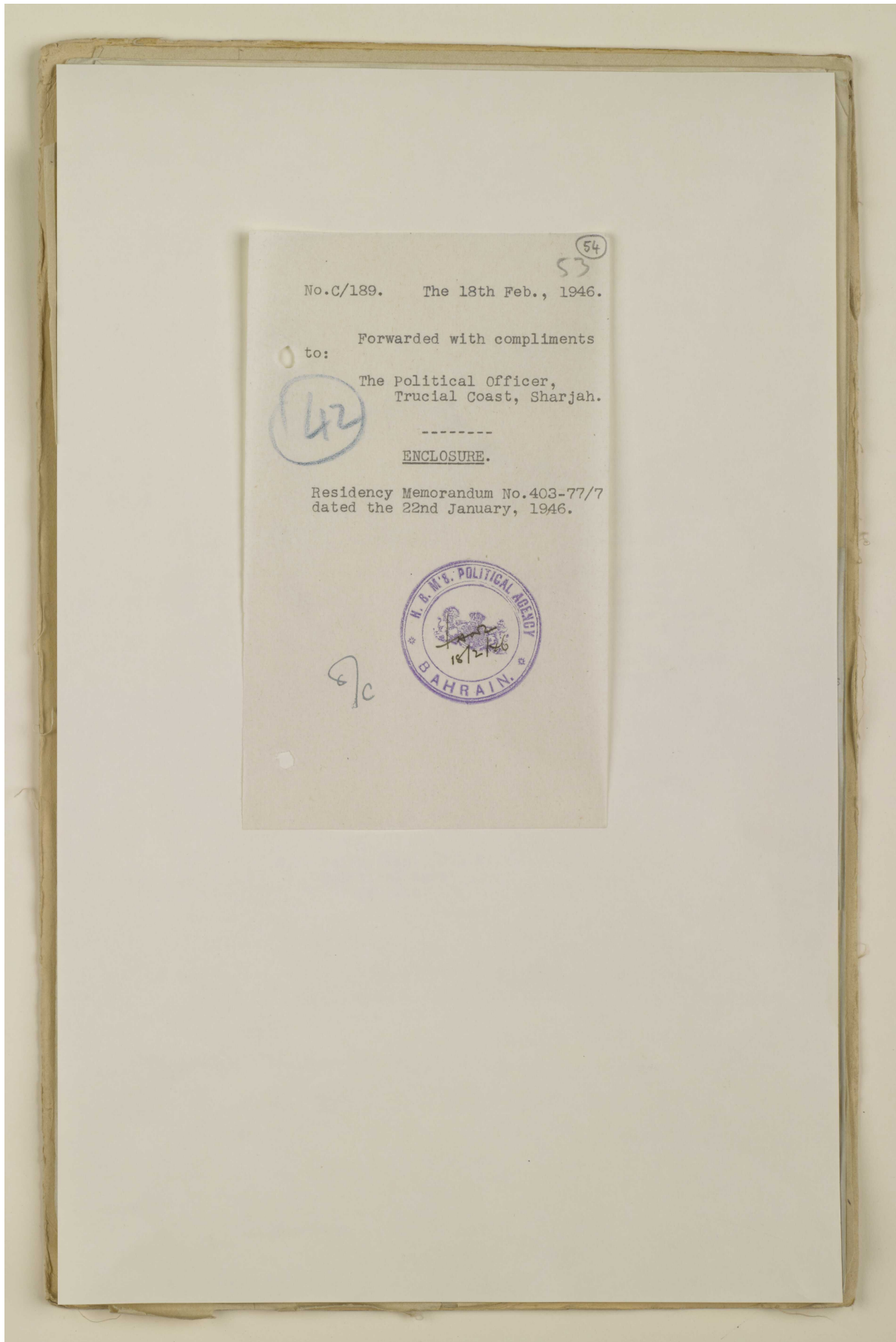


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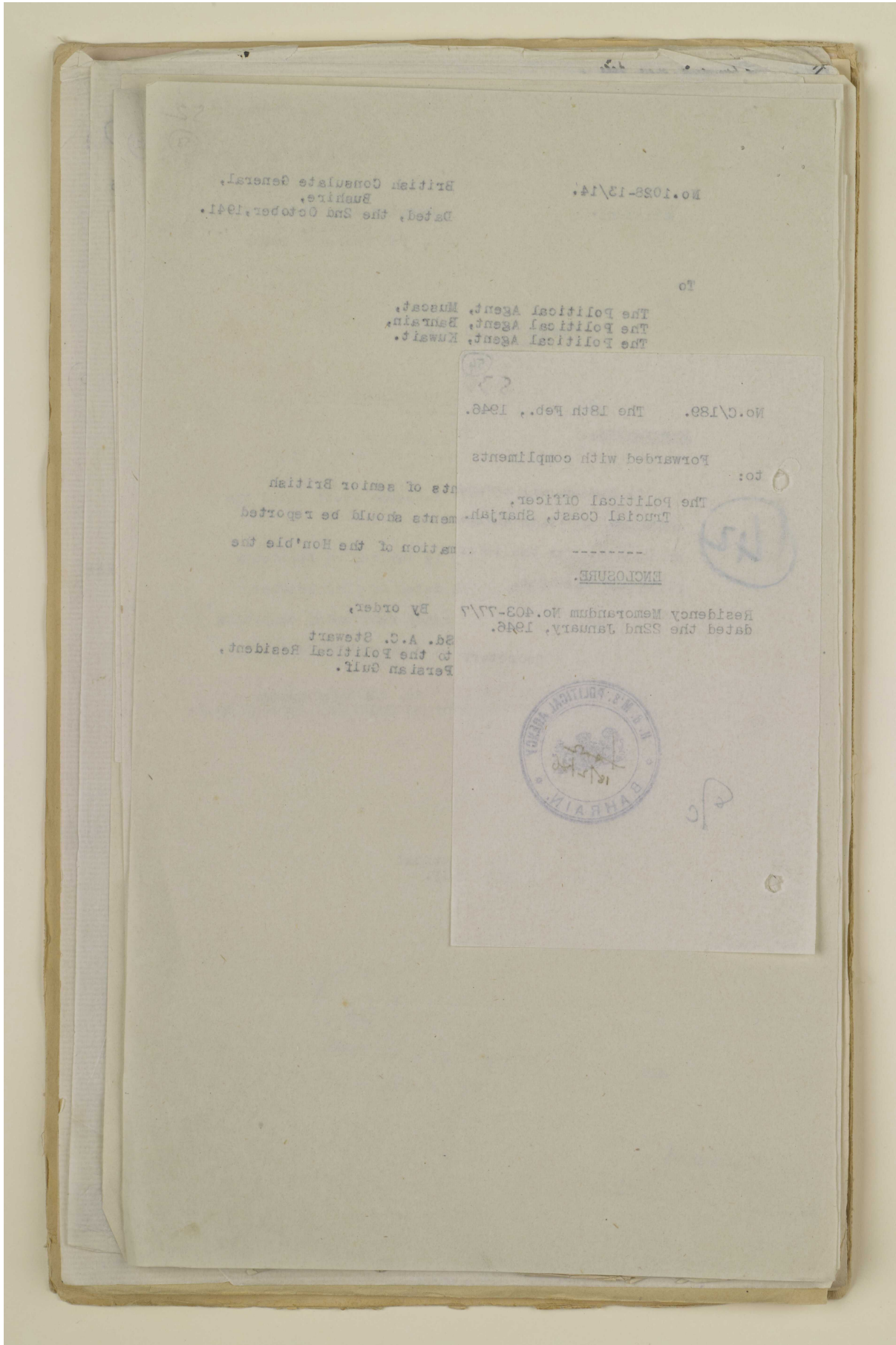




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No. 581-S. Persian Gulf Residency,  
Bushire.  
7th May 1946.

To: The Political Agent, Kuwait.  
✓ The Political Agent, Bahrain.  
The Political Agent, Muscat. (46)

Circular Memorandum.

Communications in the form of a  
'Chancery' letter are not considered suitable for  
correspondence between the Political Agencies and  
this Residency. The use of this form should be  
avoided in future.

Sd. GEOFFREY PRIOR.  
Political Resident, Persian Gulf.

ATTESTED.

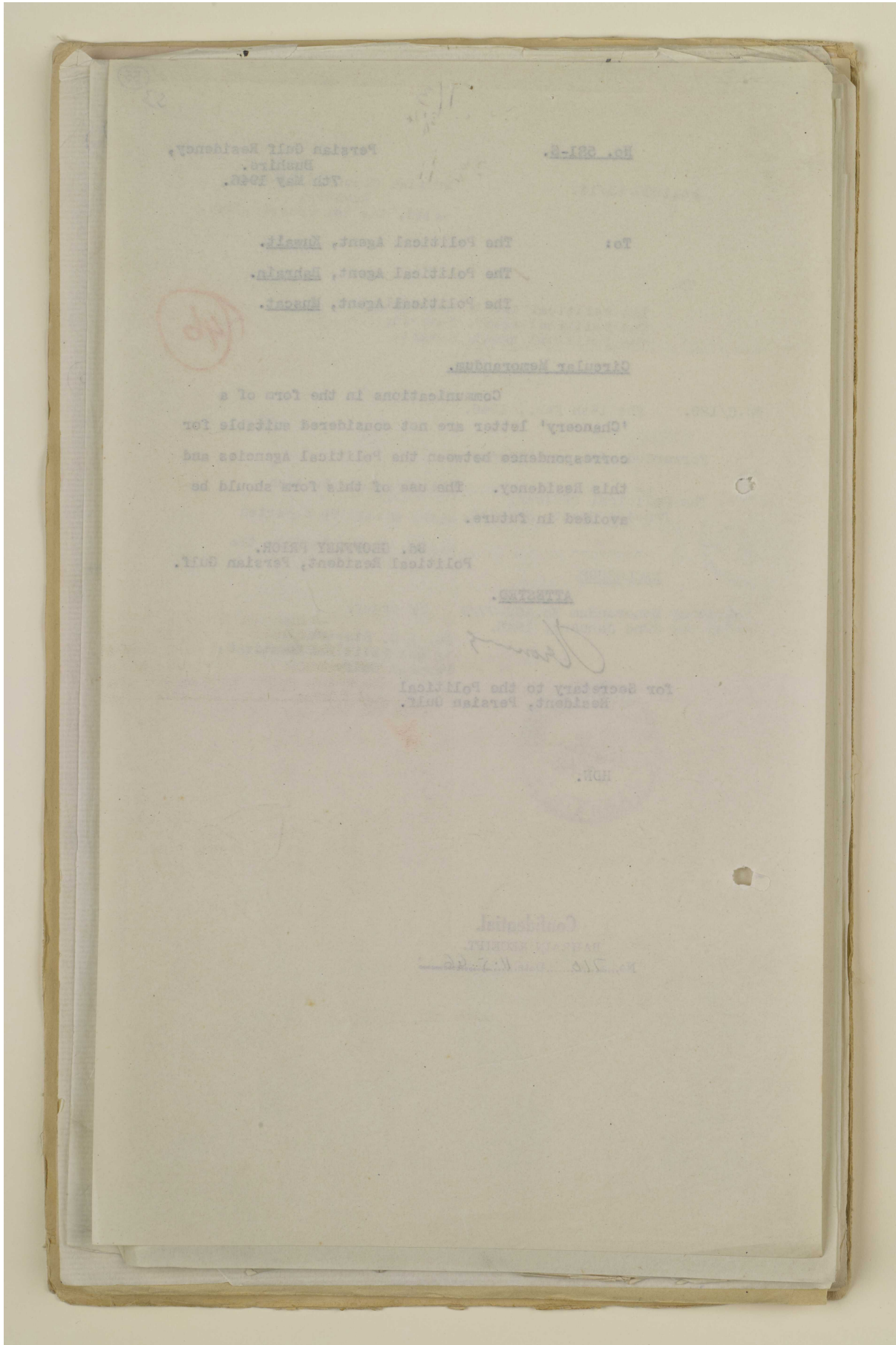
*Kroning*

for Secretary to the Political  
Resident, Persian Gulf.

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BAHRAIN RECEIPT.  
No. 210.....Date 11.5.46

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GOVERNMENT OF INDIA,  
DEPARTMENT.

## EXPRESS LETTER

[N. B.—This is an ORIGINAL MESSAGE, sent by post to save telegraphic expense and undue use of the wires, but intended to be treated, on receipt, with the same expedition as if it had been telegraphed. To save time and formalities it is worded and signed as if it had been so despatched.]

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FROM  
**Political Resident, Persian Gulf,  
at Bahrain.** (47)

To  
**Political Kuwait,** reference Kuwait letters Nos. C/210 and C/250, dated 8th April 1946 and 23rd April 1946 respectively  
**Political Muscat,** reference Muscat Printed Letter No. C/364, dated 23rd April 1946, and letter No. C.37802/32 dated XXXX 7th May 1946. XXXX  
**REPEATED Political Bahrain,** for information.

*not need* *not need*  
*see* *Dated* *not need*

**No. C/129.** Dated the 21st May 1946.

S. 33.

Appreciable additional and avoidable labour results from your failure to comply with the instructions contained in Residency Memorandum No. 945-S, dated the 23rd December 1944. Please ensure that they are strictly complied with in future.

Sd. W.R.HAY.  
Political Resident, Persian Gulf.

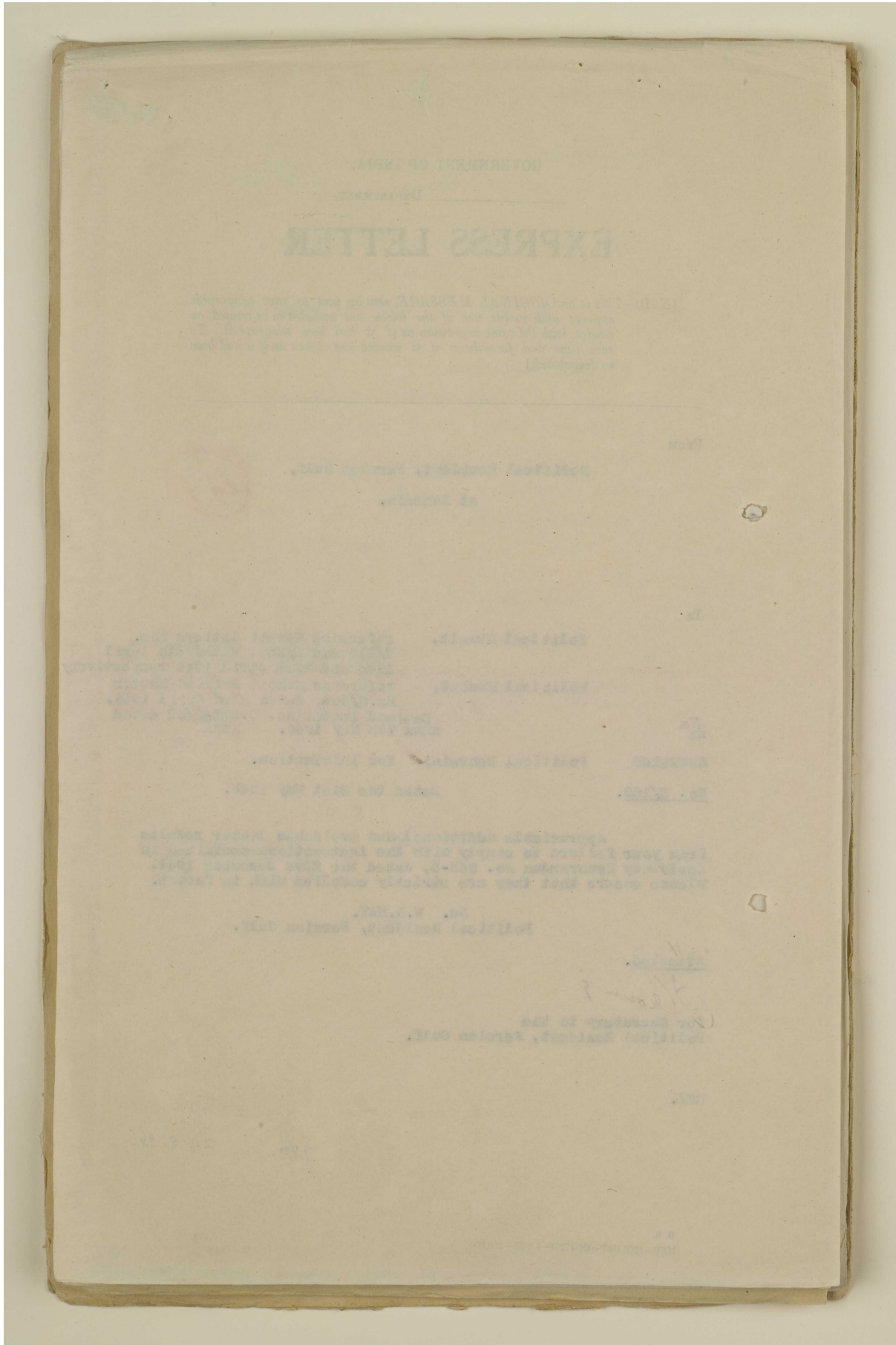
Attested.  
*H. Brown*  
for Secretary to the  
Political Resident, Persian Gulf.

RHL.

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No. 780 Date 21. 5. 46

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EXPRESS LETTER.

No.C/796. Office of the  
Political Resident, Persian Gulf,  
Camp, Bahrain.  
Dated the 29th August 1946.

From - Political Resident, Persian Gulf,  
at Bahrain.

To - Retaxandum London.  
Prodrome London.  
Foreign New Delhi.  
Arminia New Delhi.  
A.G.C.R. New Delhi.  
Prodrome Tehran.  
Prodrome Cairo.  
Prodrome Baghdad.  
Prodrome Jeddah.  
Governor Aden.  
Aeronautics Aden.  
Mideast Cairo.  
Memin Cairo.  
British Supply Mission, Cairo.  
M.E.A.L.U. Cairo.  
C.I.C.I. Baghdad.  
Airgenarch Habbaniyah.  
Senior Naval Officer, Persian Gulf.  
Britain Basra.  
Riverport Basra.  
British Ministry of Food Office, Basra.  
R.A.F. Shaibah.  
Britain Meshed.  
Britain Zehidan.  
Britain Bushire.  
Britain Khorramshahr.  
Britain Kerman.  
Britain Bandar Abbas.  
Britagent Lingah.  
Political Kuwait.  
Political Agent Kuwait at Quetta.  
Political Muscat.

Copy to Political Bahrain.

The telegraphic address of the Hon'ble the  
Political Resident, Persian Gulf, at Bahrain will in  
future be "REPGU BAHRAIN".

Sd. W.R.HAY.  
Political Resident, Persian Gulf.

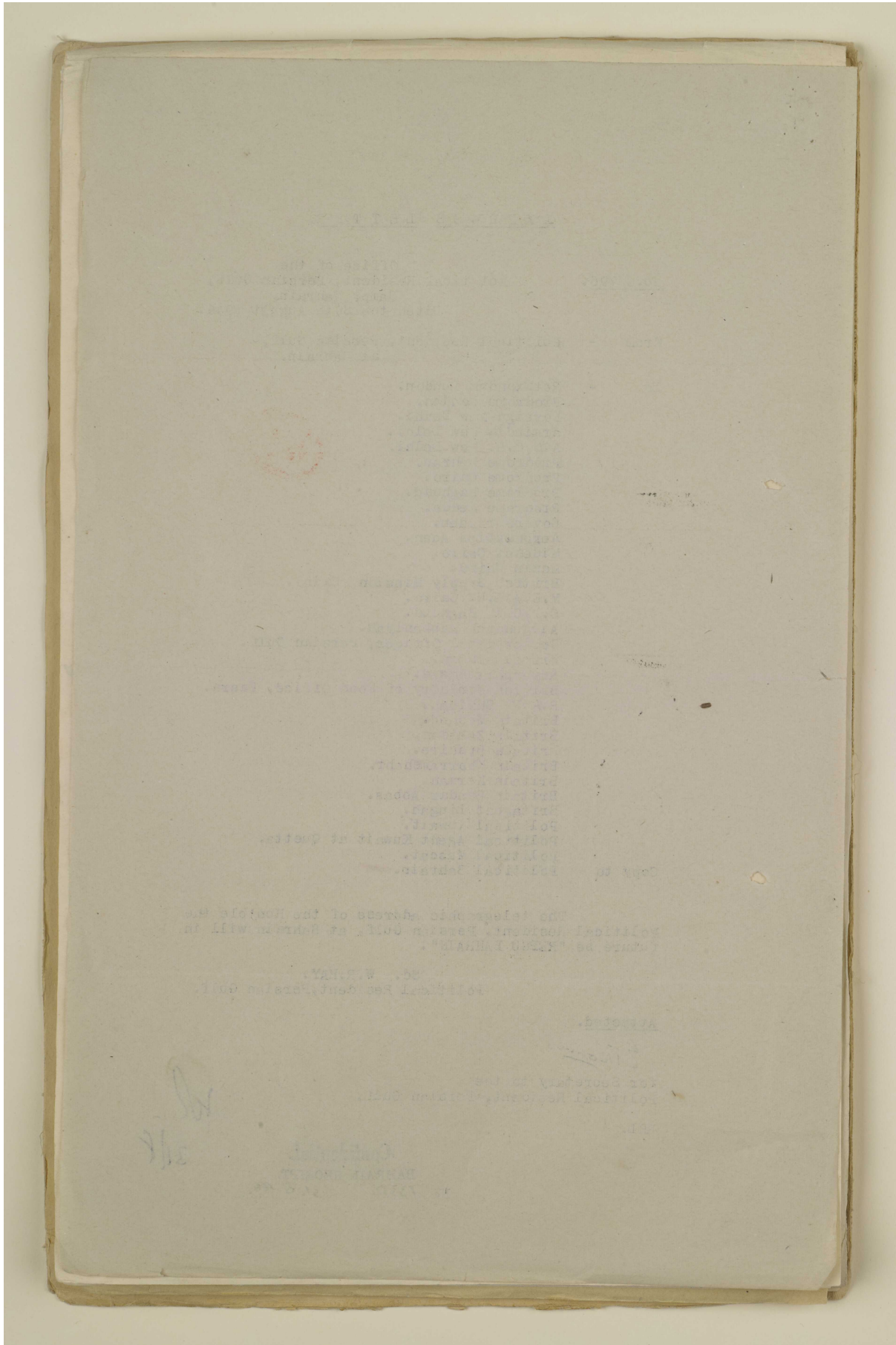
Attested.  
*E. Thomas*  
for Secretary to the  
Political Resident, Persian Gulf.

RHL.

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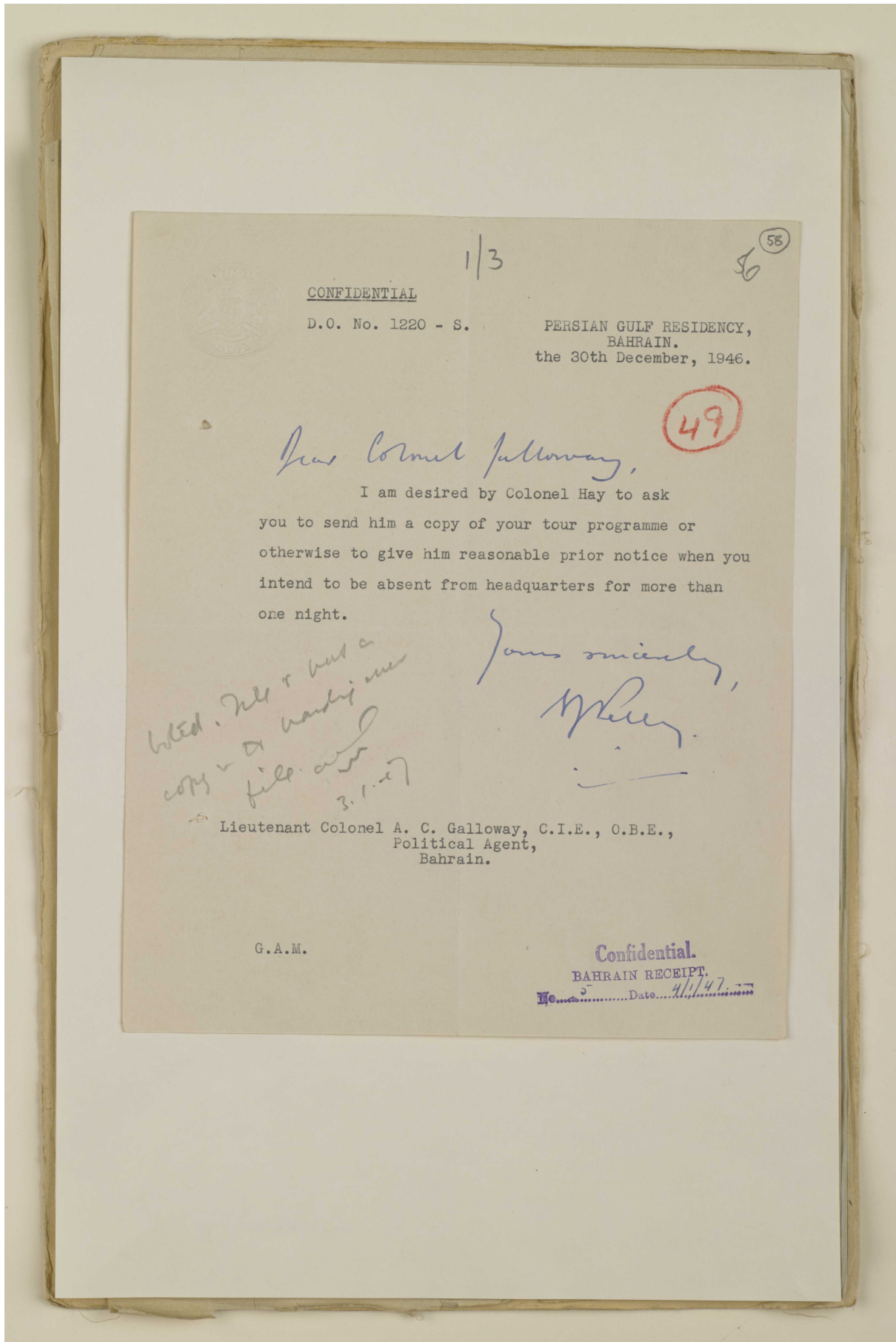
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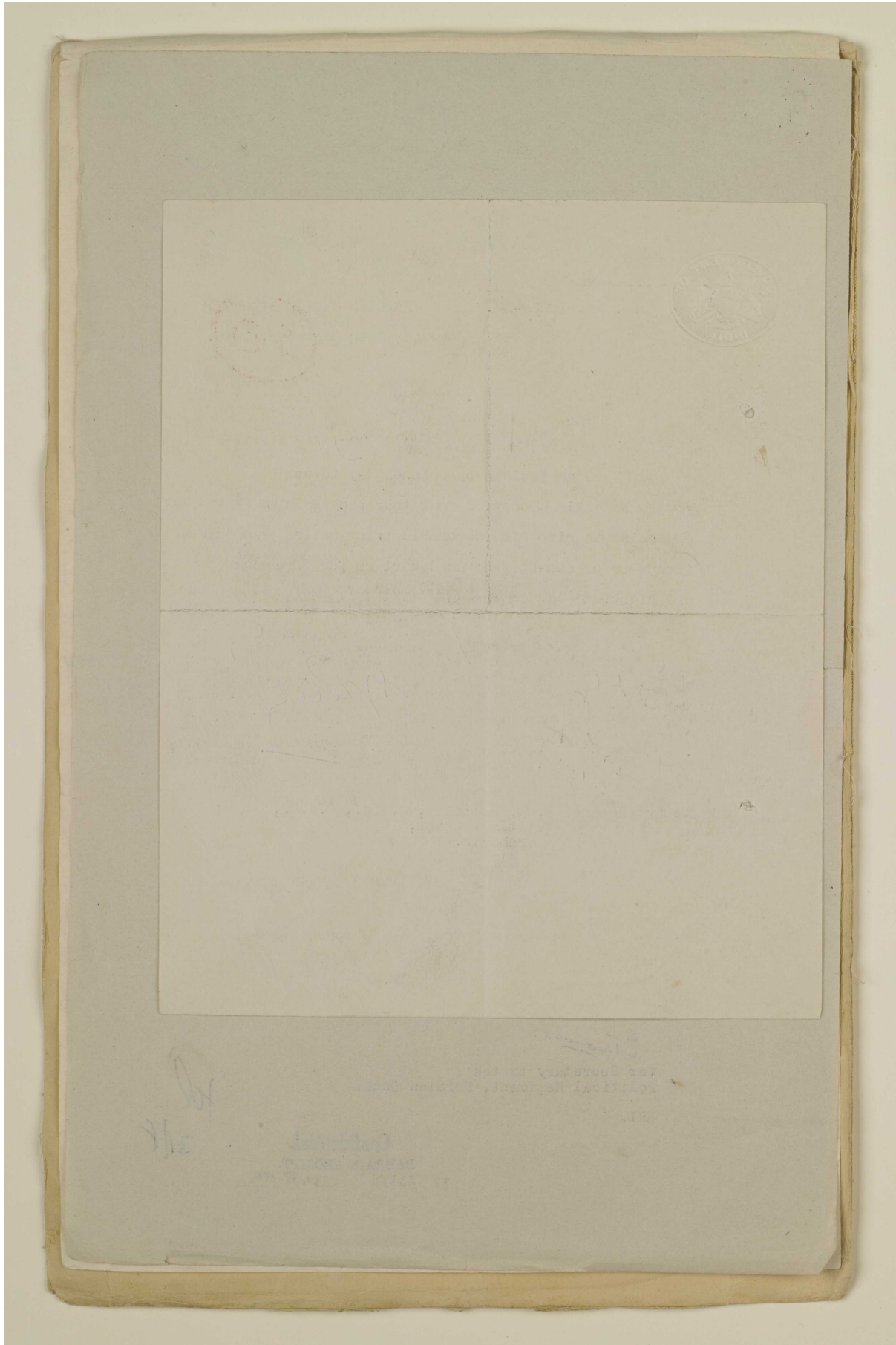




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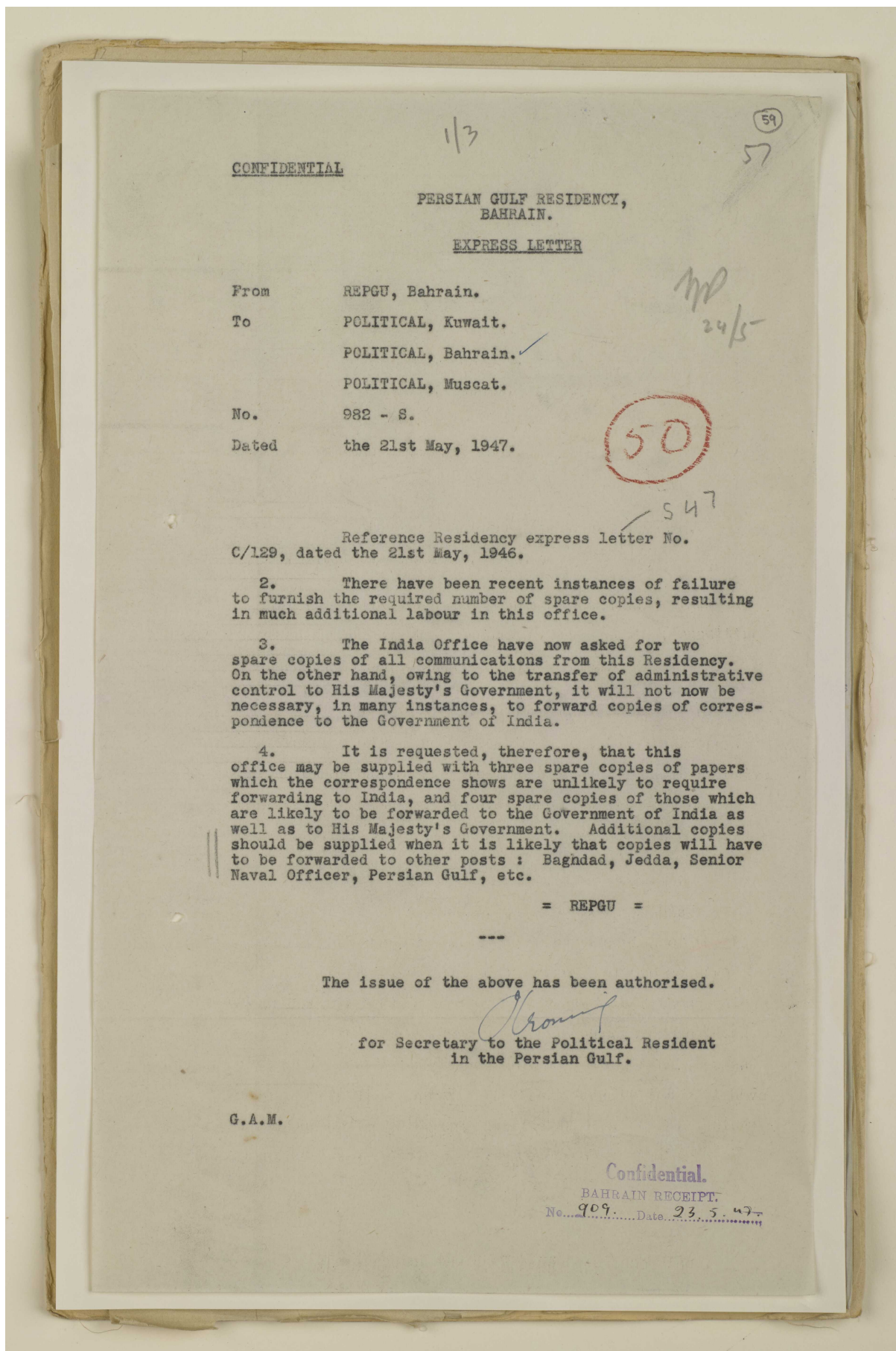


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PERSIAN GULF RESIDENCY,  
BAHRAIN.

EXPRESS LETTER

From REPGU, Bahrain.  
To POLITICAL, Kuwait.  
POLITICAL, Bahrain. ✓  
POLITICAL, Muscat.  
No. 982 - S.  
Dated the 21st May, 1947.

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Reference Residency express letter No.  
C/129, dated the 21st May, 1946.

2. There have been recent instances of failure to furnish the required number of spare copies, resulting in much additional labour in this office.
3. The India Office have now asked for two spare copies of all communications from this Residency. On the other hand, owing to the transfer of administrative control to His Majesty's Government, it will not now be necessary, in many instances, to forward copies of correspondence to the Government of India.
4. It is requested, therefore, that this office may be supplied with three spare copies of papers which the correspondence shows are unlikely to require forwarding to India, and four spare copies of those which are likely to be forwarded to the Government of India as well as to His Majesty's Government. Additional copies should be supplied when it is likely that copies will have to be forwarded to other posts : Bagdad, Jedda, Senior Naval Officer, Persian Gulf, etc.

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The issue of the above has been authorised.

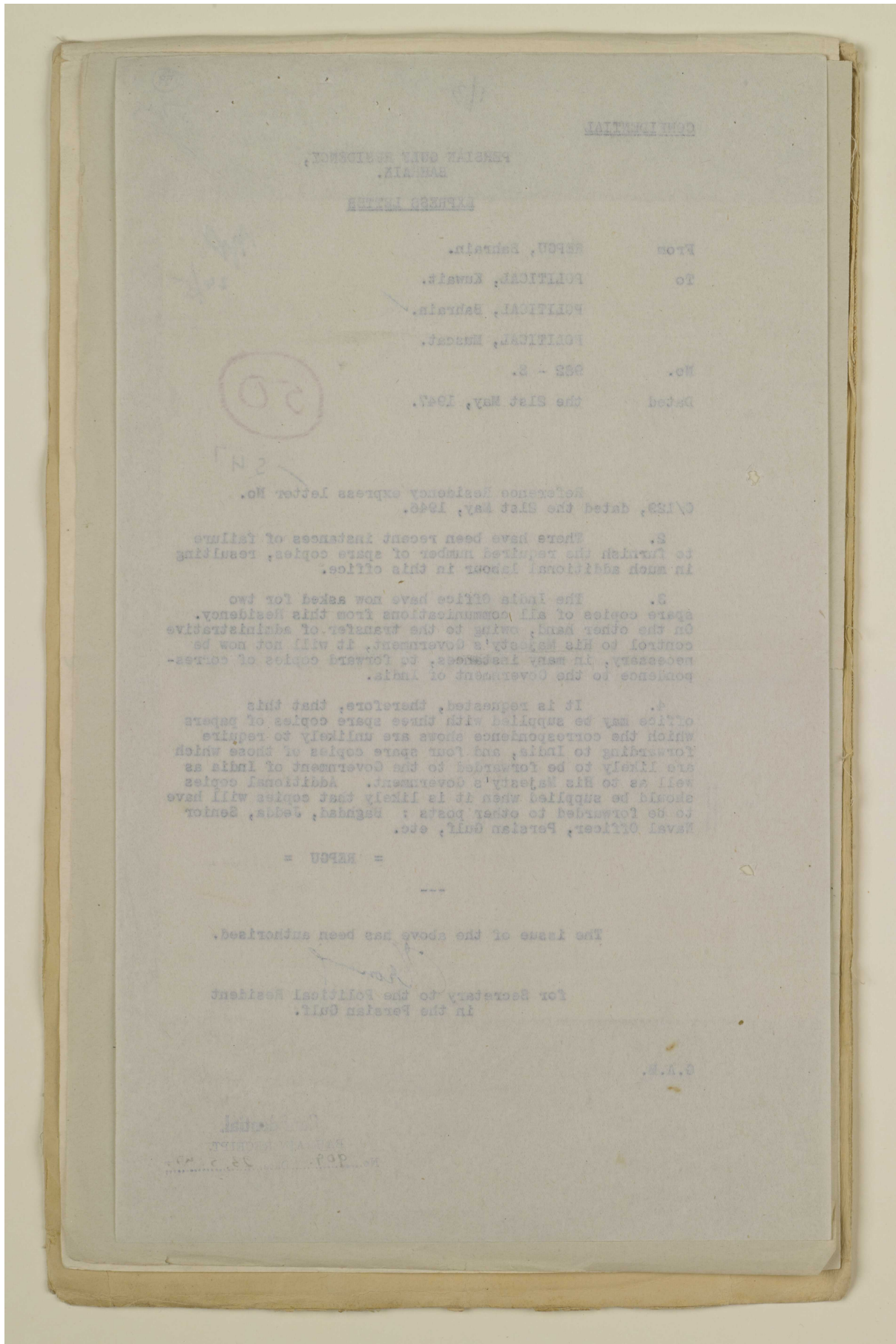
*[Signature]*  
for Secretary to the Political Resident  
in the Persian Gulf.

G.A.M.

Confidential.

BAHRAIN RECEIPT  
No. 909. Date. 23.5.47

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Telegram En Clair.  
From Government of India, New Delhi.  
To REPGU, Bahrain.  
No. 1205 AD  
Dated 23rd and received 24th May, 1947.

External Affairs Department and  
Commonwealth Relations Department will be  
amalgamated with effect from 1st June 1947  
and designated The Department of External  
Affairs and Commonwealth Relations. Com-  
munications may be addressed accordingly.

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CONFIDENTIAL  
No. 1002-S

PERSIAN GULF RESIDENCY,  
BAHRAIN.  
Dated the 26th May, 1947.

Copy forwarded, with compliments, to

The Political Agent, Kuwait,  
The Political Agent, Bahrain,  
The Political Agent, Muscat.

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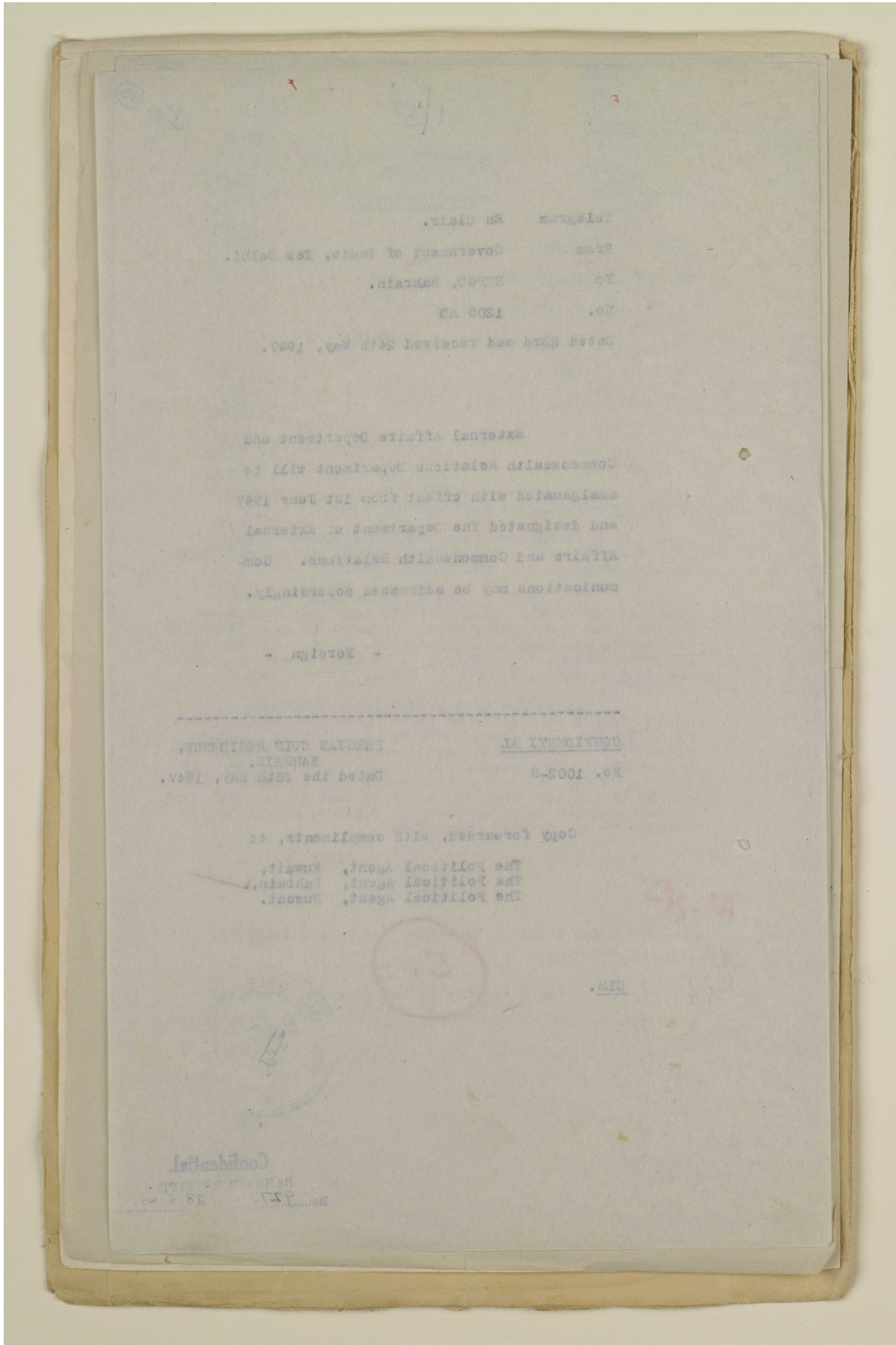
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No. 927. 28.5.47.

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No. 1510-S Persian Gulf Residency,  
Bahrain.

59 (61)

14th August, 1947.

To

The Political Agent, Kuwait,

The Political Agent, Bahrain,

The Political Agent, Muscat.

MEMORANDUM

Subject:- Spare copies of correspondence.

S.S.O.

Attention is drawn to the instructions contained in Residency Express Letter No. 982-S dated the 21st May 1947, which appear at present to be honoured more in the breach than otherwise by all Agencies, and it is requested that they may be strictly observed.

Sd/ A.C. Galloway,  
Political Resident, Persian Gulf.

Attested

*[Signature]*

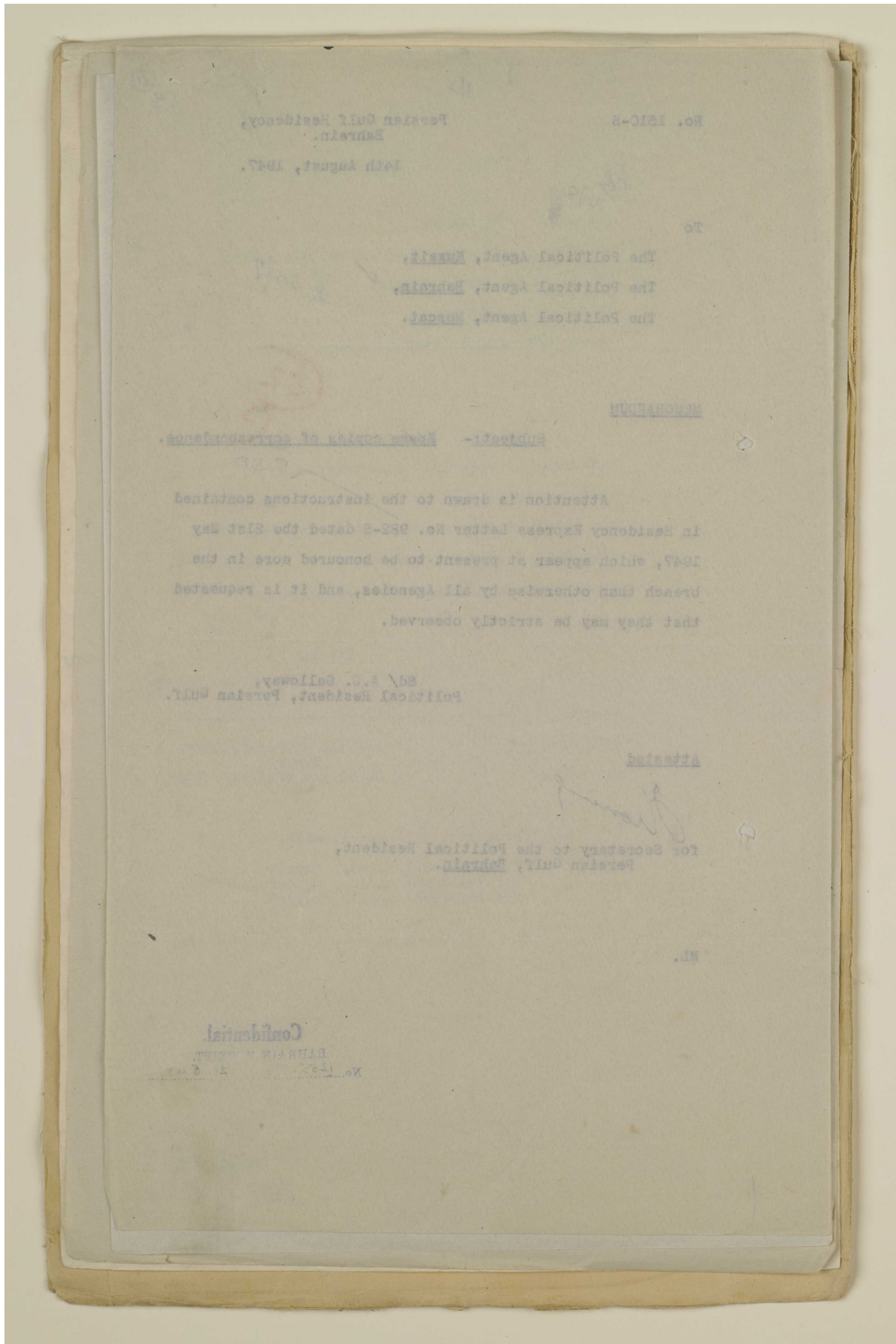
for Secretary to the Political Resident,  
Persian Gulf, Bahrain.

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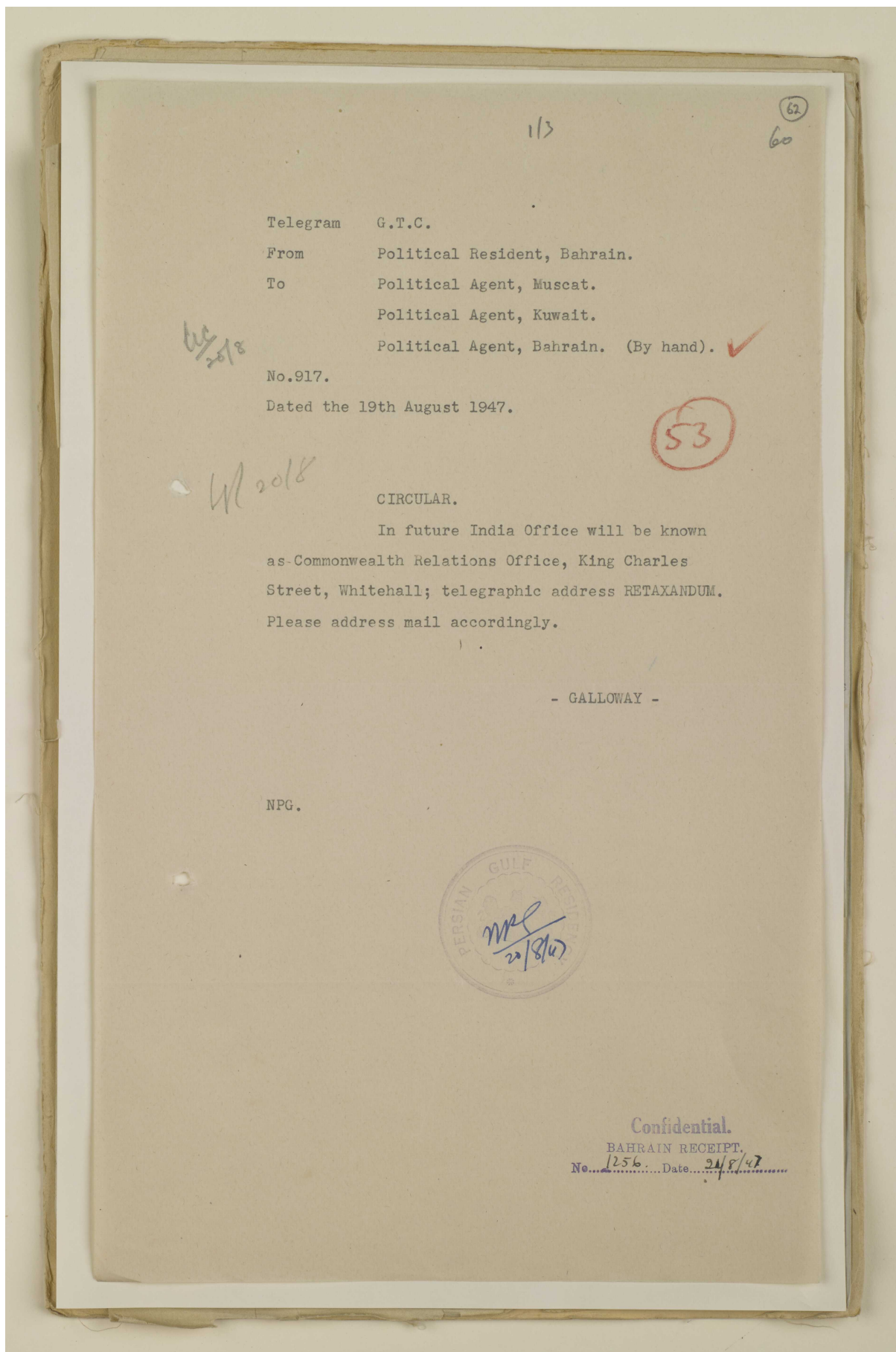
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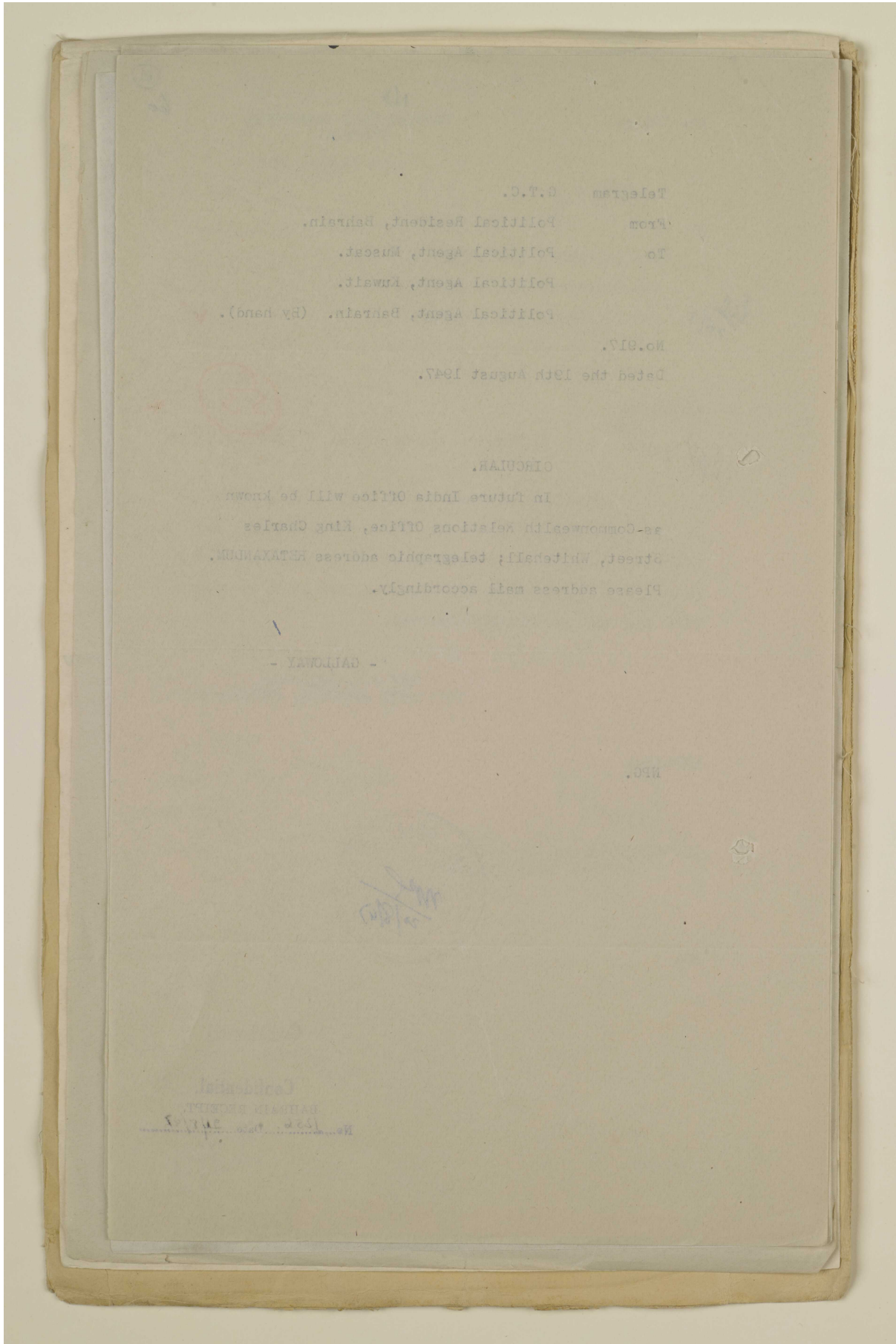




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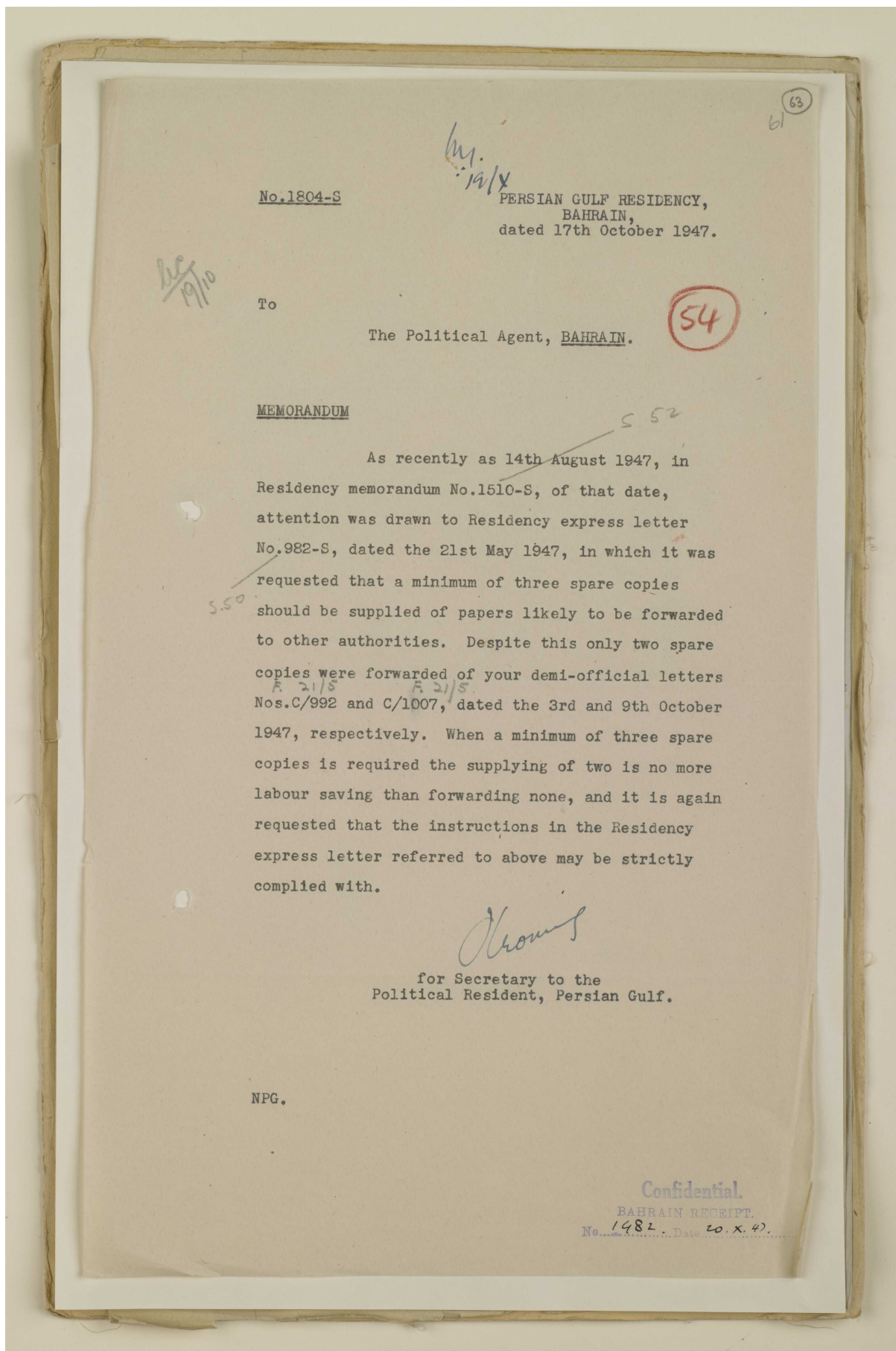


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No. 1804-S

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*Mr. 19/10*  
PERSIAN GULF RESIDENCY,  
BAHRAIN,  
dated 17th October 1947.

To

The Political Agent, BAHRAIN. 54

MEMORANDUM

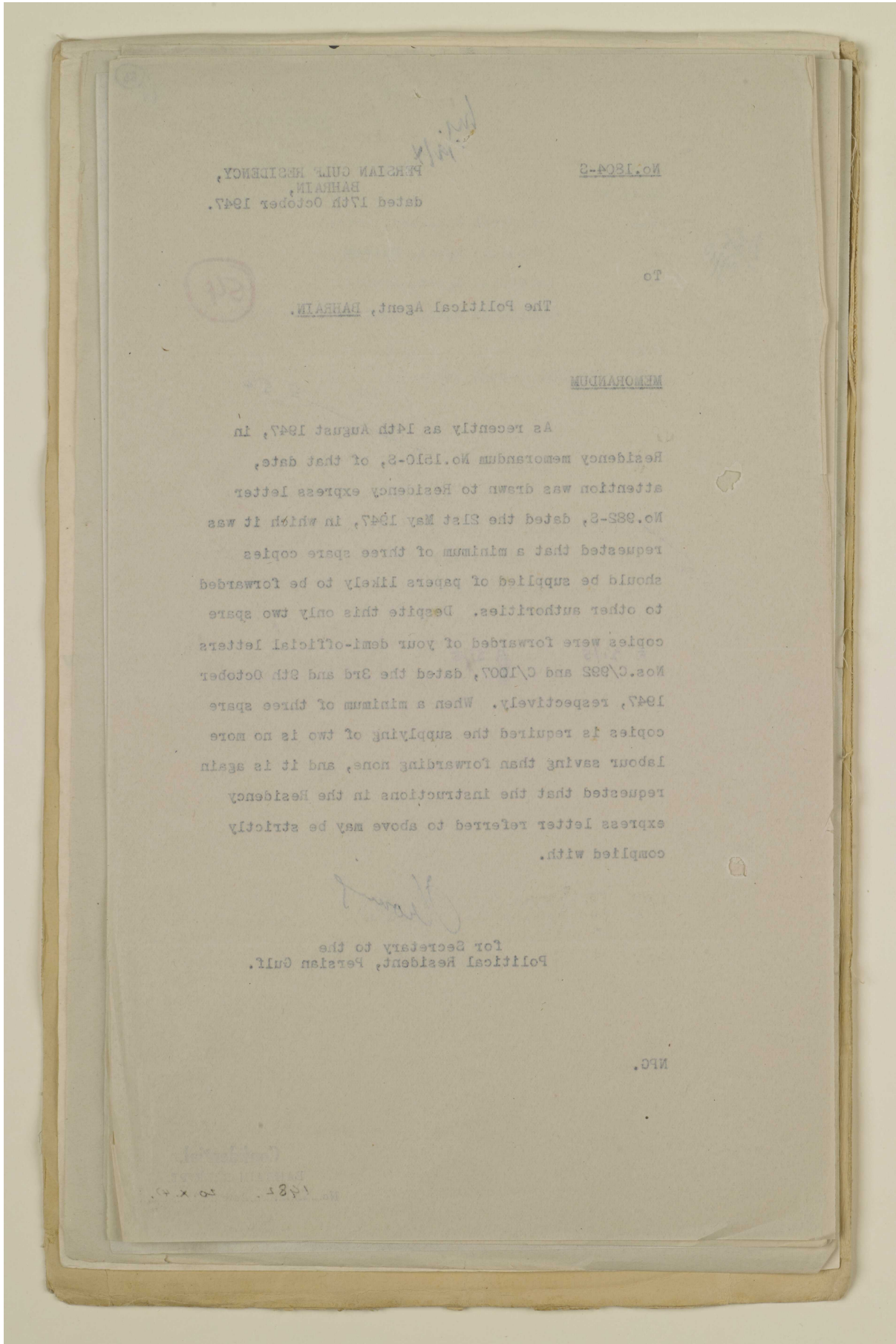
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As recently as 14th August 1947, in  
Residency memorandum No. 1510-S, of that date,  
attention was drawn to Residency express letter  
No. 982-S, dated the 21st May 1947, in which it was  
requested that a minimum of three spare copies  
should be supplied of papers likely to be forwarded  
to other authorities. Despite this only two spare  
copies were forwarded of your demi-official letters  
Nos. C/992 and C/1007, dated the 3rd and 9th October  
1947, respectively. When a minimum of three spare  
copies is required the supplying of two is no more  
labour saving than forwarding none, and it is again  
requested that the instructions in the Residency  
express letter referred to above may be strictly  
complied with.

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*Mr. 19/10*  
*for Secretary to the*  
Political Resident, Persian Gulf.

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By safe-hand.

Restricted.

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Persian Gulf Residency,  
Bahrain.  
30th October, 1948.

*Dear Pelly*

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S.B.

Sir Trenchard Fowle issued instructions in 1938 that in any cases where Political Agents received communications or copies of communications direct from outside authorities,

- (a) no decision should be taken by the Political Agent:
- (b) no approach should be made to the local Ruler: and
- (c) no opinion should be expressed to an outside authority by the Political Agent:

without prior reference to the Political Resident.

2. I should be grateful if you would continue to observe these principles in all matters which have a political significance, except if the case is of such urgency that a departure from them is clearly justified. There is, however, no objection to your addressing outside authorities direct in matters which are of a purely routine or personal nature. Purely factual reports may, when considered desirable be repeated to outside authorities provided they contain no expression of opinion regarding the course of action to be followed.

3. This letter should be kept on the file of papers to be shown to your relief.

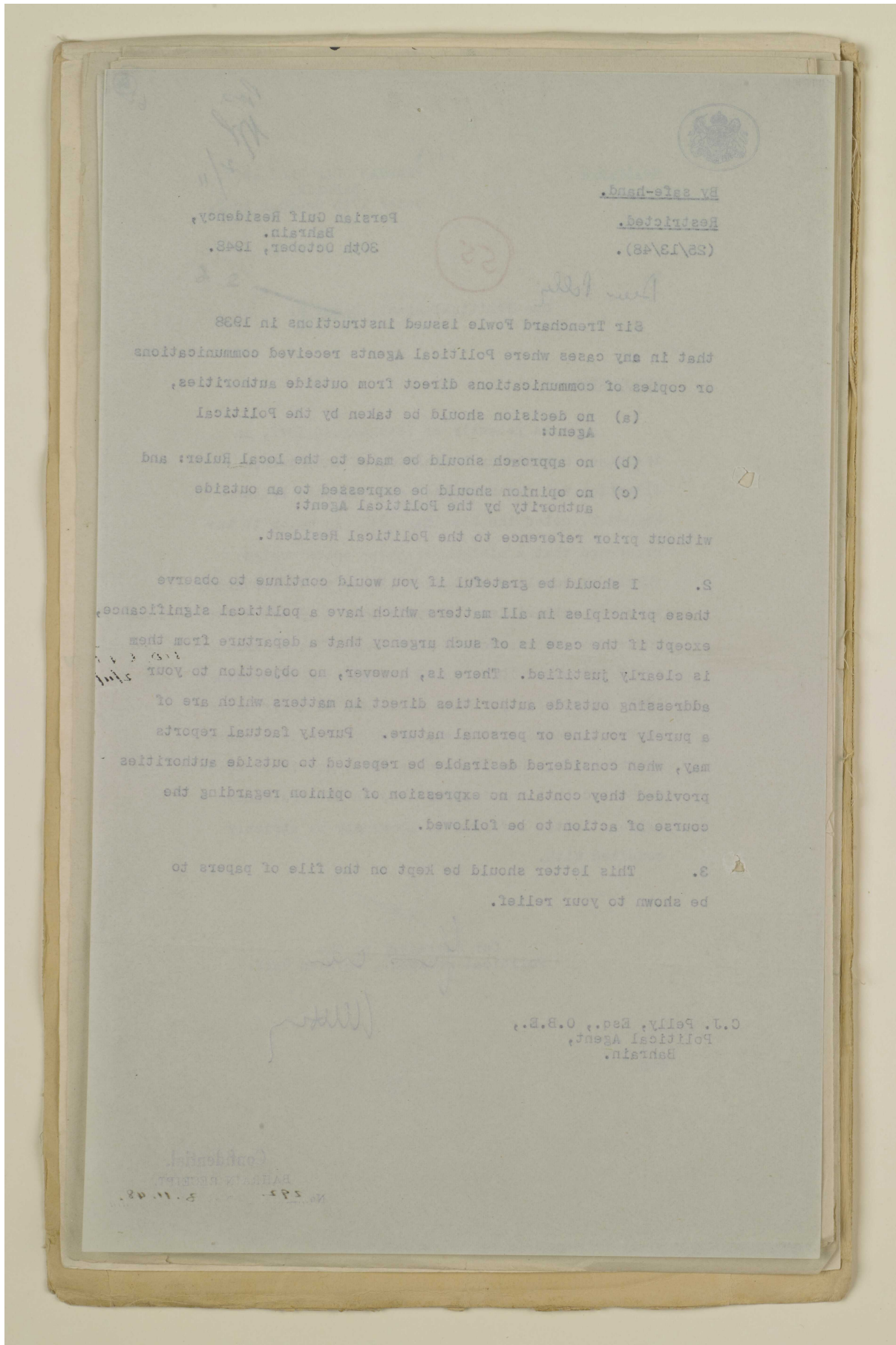
*Yours ever  
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C.J. Pelly, Esq., O.B.E.,  
Political Agent,  
Bahrain.

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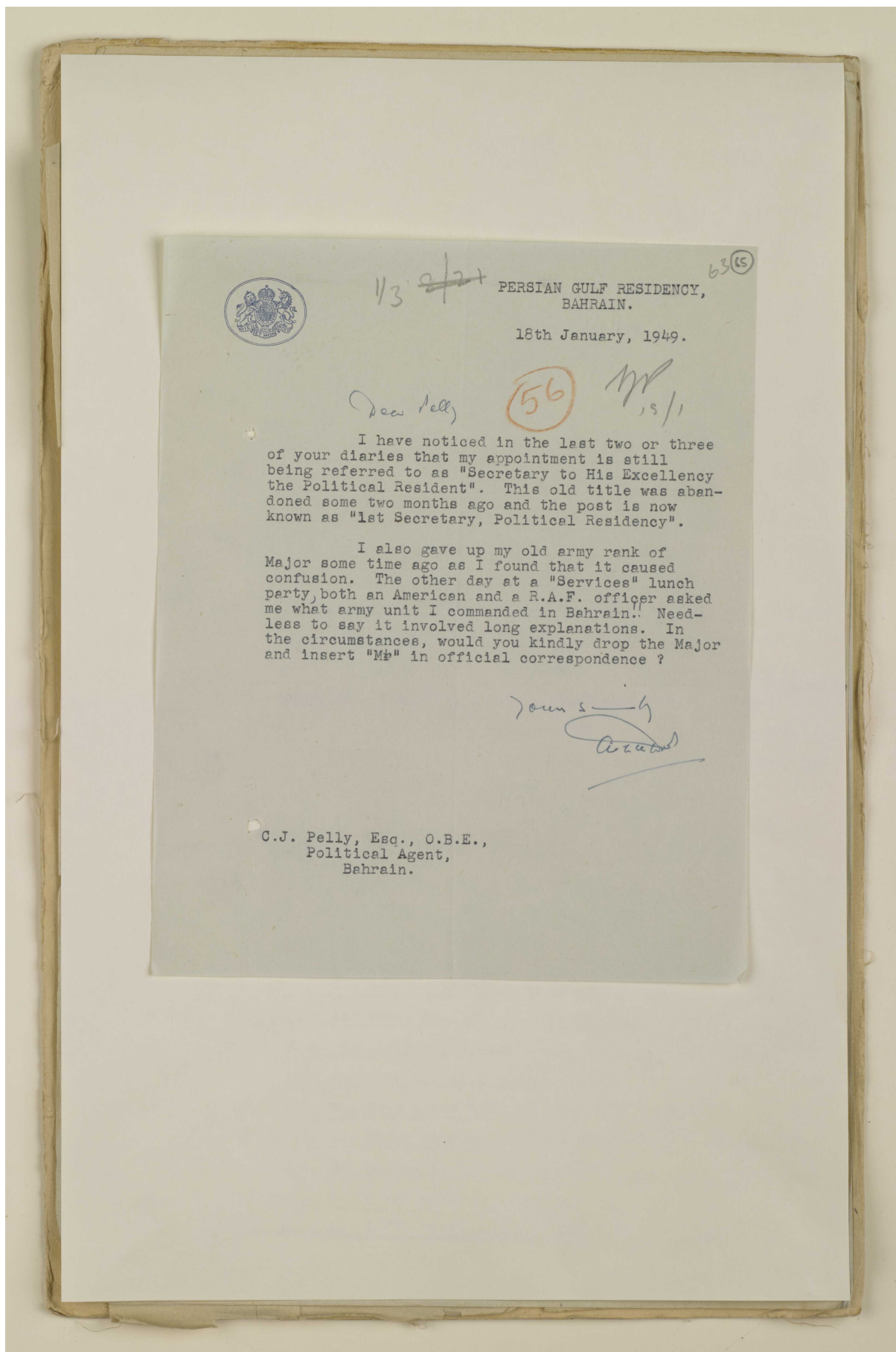
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PERSIAN GULF RESIDENCY,  
BAHRAIN.

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18th January, 1949.

Dear Pelly

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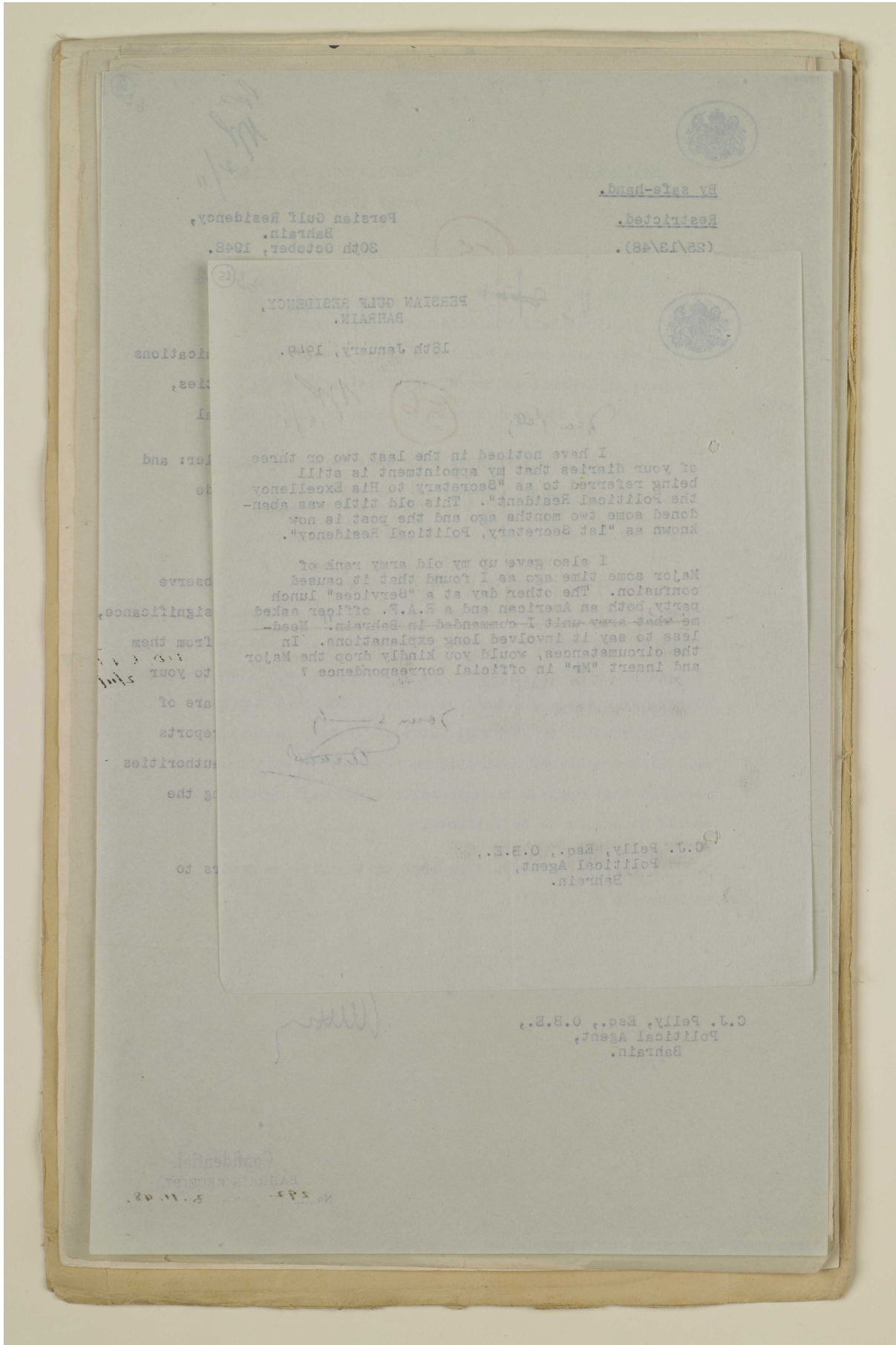
I have noticed in the last two or three of your diaries that my appointment is still being referred to as "Secretary to His Excellency the Political Resident". This old title was abandoned some two months ago and the post is now known as "1st Secretary, Political Residency".

I also gave up my old army rank of Major some time ago as I found that it caused confusion. The other day at a "Services" lunch party, both an American and a R.A.F. officer asked me what army unit I commanded in Bahrain. Needless to say it involved long explanations. In the circumstances, would you kindly drop the Major and insert "M<sup>r</sup>" in official correspondence?

Yours sincerely  
C. J. Pelly

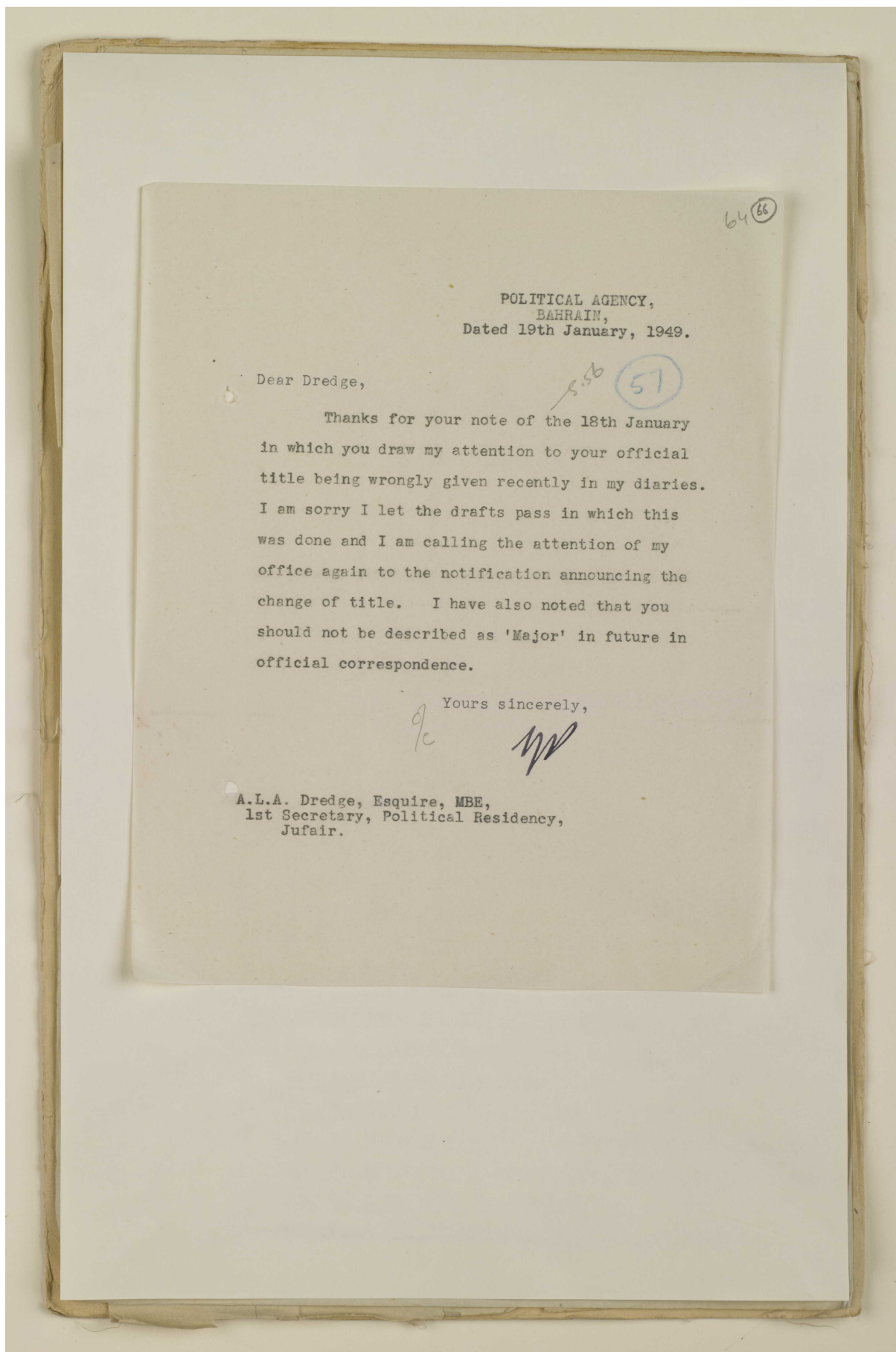
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Political Agent,  
Bahrain.

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POLITICAL AGENCY,  
BAHRAIN,  
Dated 19th January, 1949.

Dear Dredge,

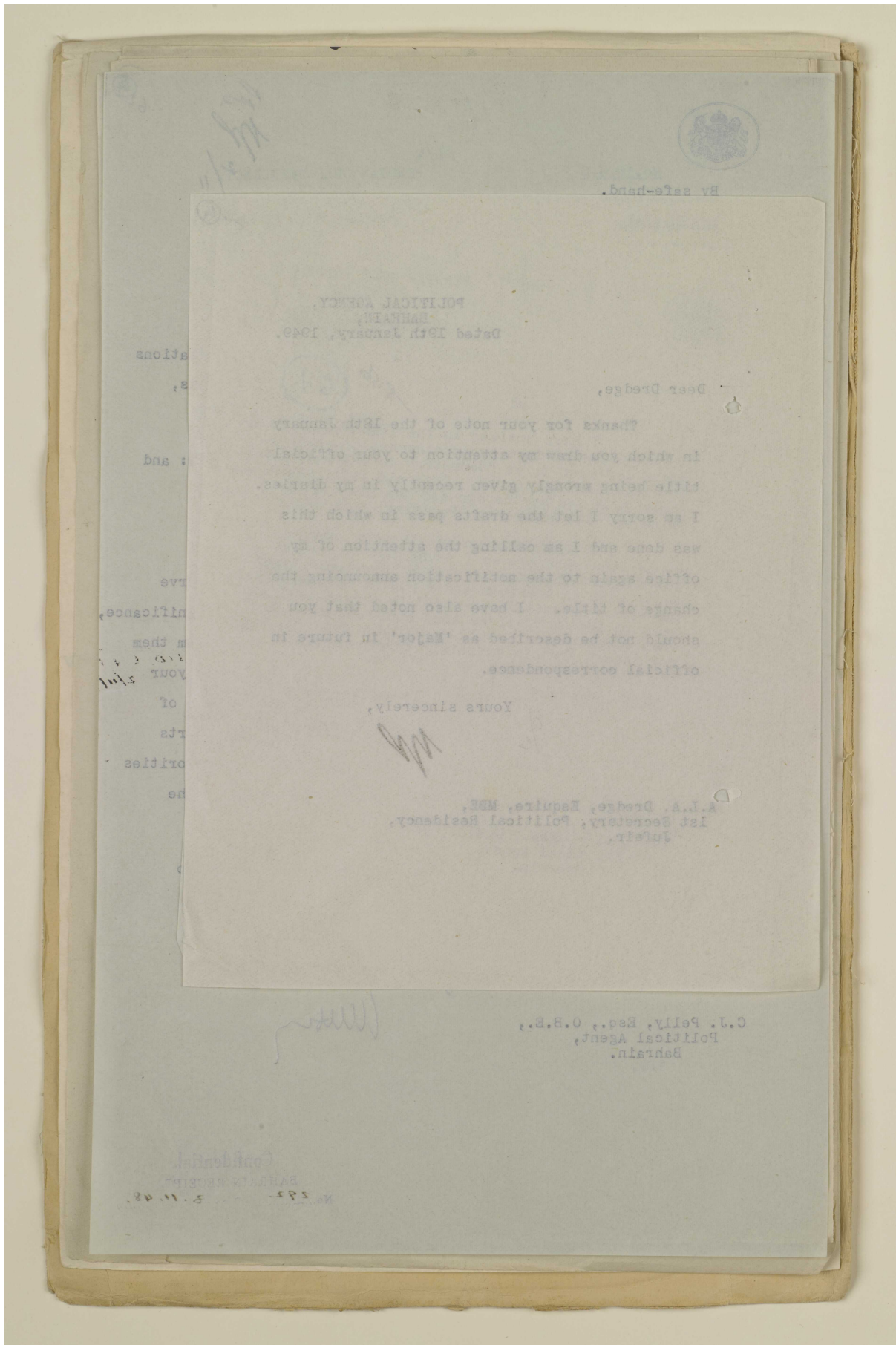
Thanks for your note of the 18th January in which you draw my attention to your official title being wrongly given recently in my diaries. I am sorry I let the drafts pass in which this was done and I am calling the attention of my office again to the notification announcing the change of title. I have also noted that you should not be described as 'Major' in future in official correspondence.

Yours sincerely,

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A.L.A. Dredge, Esquire, MBE,  
1st Secretary, Political Residency,  
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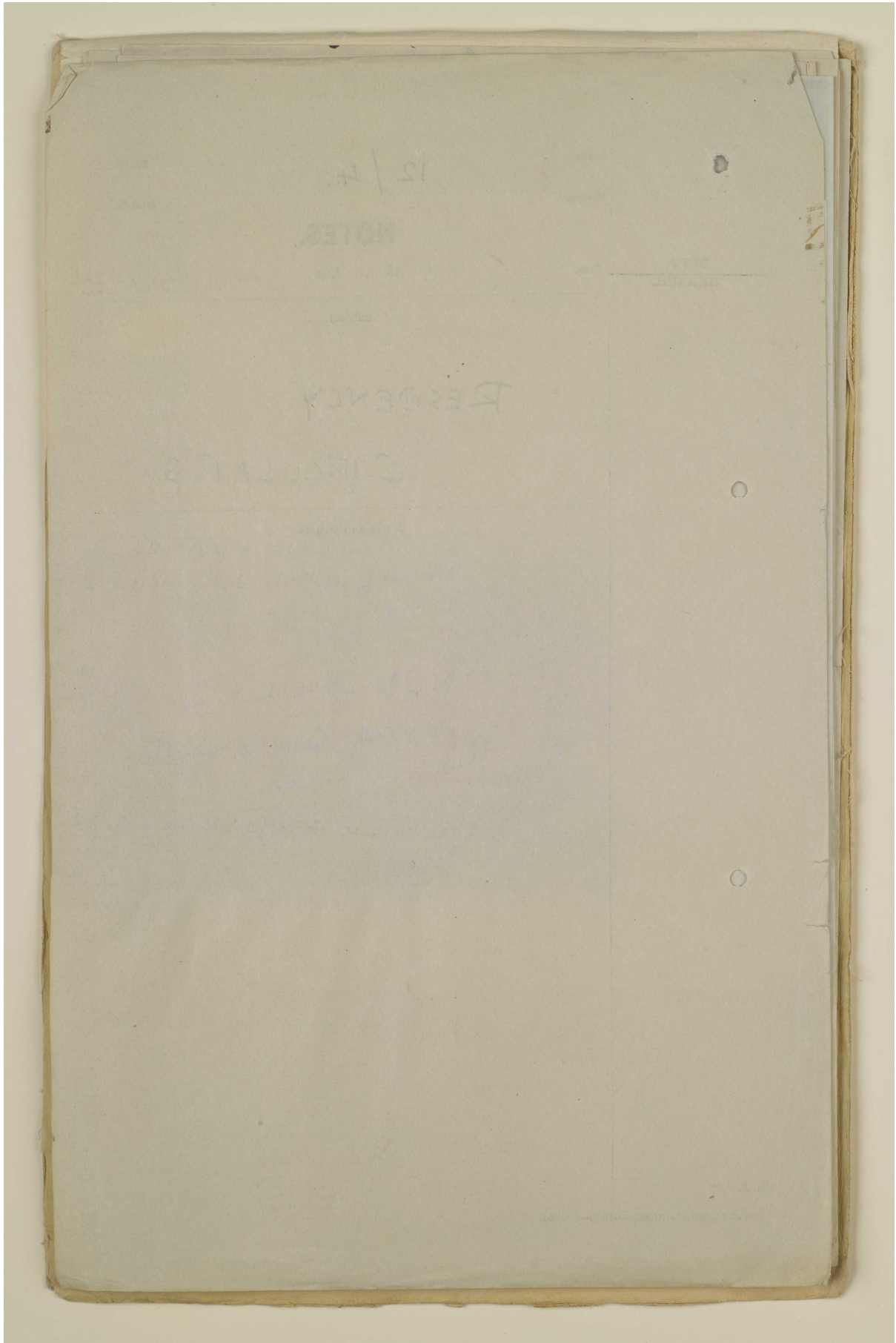
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DEPT. BRANCH.	Pros. 19 . Nos.	
	Subject.	
	RESIDENCY CIRCULARS.	
	Notes and Orders.	
1	Have we a handing over file? <span style="color: red;">X</span>	
	(Id) T.H. 2-1-45.	
2	No such file is kept but there is a file (linked) in the C.O. which contains the more important circulars though it is not apparent that officers when taking over actually go through them.	
	<i>side</i> 6-1-45.	
	<i>Then they must do so in future. Please Resubmit in March. T.H. by</i>	

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Subject.

CIRCULARS AND OFFICE ORDERS RECEIVED FROM  
RESIDENCY.

Notes and Orders.

1. Circular No. 1140 dated 31.5. '33 from P.R., Bushire.
2. Circular Memo. No. 989-S dated 29.10. '34 from P.R., Bushire.
3. Circular Memo. No. 1119-S dated 29.11. '34 from -do-
4. D.O. No. C/234 dated 25.11. '36 from Sir T.C. Fowle, P.R.,  
Bushire
5. D.O. No. C/546-3/1 dated 10.12. '36 to P.R., Bushire.
6. Circular Memo. No. 512-S dated 27.10. '38 from P.R., Bushire.
7. Circular D.O. No. C/37 dated 15.1. '39 from P.R., (Camp) Bhn.
8. D.O. No. 375-S dated 6.6. '40 from P.R., Bushire.
9. Circular Memo. No. 524-S dated 18.7. '40 from P.R., Bushire.
10. Memo. No. 263-S dated 29.4. '41 from P.R., bushire.
11. Memo. No. 266-S dated 30.4. '41 from P.R., Bushire.
12. Circular Memo. No. 601 dated 15.5. '41 from Secy. to P.R.
13. Memo. No. C/421 dated 4.9. '41 from P.R., Bushire.
14. Copy of D.O. No. D.451-E/41(Camp) from Sir O.K. Caroe to  
the Hon'ble Lt-Col.C.G. Prior, C.I.E., P.R., P.G.
15. Circular Memo. No. 1003-13/14 dated 24.9. '41 from Secy. to  
P.R.
16. Memo. No. 1028-13/14 dated 2.10. '41 from Secy. to P.R.  
Lt-Col.
17. Note dated 25.10. '41 from/C.G. Prior.
18. P.L. No. 76-S dated 9.10. '41 from P.R., Bushire.
19. Tel. No. Mides Circ 42 dated 9.12. '43 from Ambassador, Cairo
20. Tel. No. 501 dated 18.12. '43 from Britconsul, Bandar Abbas.
21. X.L. No. C/556 dated 9.5. '42 from P.R., Bushire.
22. X.L. No. C/701 dated 21.5. '42 fra to P.R., Bushire.

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- P.L. No. 433-S dated 22.5.'42 from P.R., Bushire. 23.
- Extract from P. & P. Memo. dated ? May, 1942 from Secy. to P.R. 24.
- Circular No. 310-S dated 3.5.'43 from P.R., Bushire. 25.
- Copy of Memo. No. C/280 dated 3.9.'43 from P.R. at Shiraz. 26.
- Memo. No. C/331 dated 17.9.'43 from P.R., Shiraz. 27.
- Memo. No. 51-S dated 18.1.'44 from P.R., Bushire. 28.
- Memo. No. 87-S dated 28.1.'44 from P.R., Bushire. 29.
- Circular No. 452-S dated 19.5.'44 from P.R., Bushire. 30.
- Circular No. 568-S dated 12.6.44 from -do- 31.
- Tel. No. 13807 circular dated 25.10.'44 from G.O.I. 32.
- Memo. No. 945-S dated 23.12.'44 from P.R., Bushire. 33.
- Letter No. 2852-19/174-III dated 24.12.'44 from Secy. to P.R., Bushire. 34.
- Circular Memo. No. 78-S dated 17.1.'45 from P.R., Bushire. 35.
- Circular No. 537-S dated 19.5.'45 from P.R., Bushire. 36.

*Seen.*

*(sd) C. J. P. 23/7/45*

*file. P.A. may wish to see this  
JAVE 8/11 PA.*

*There should be a 'handing  
over file' or in this should be  
a number of the circular in  
the attached file, not at all.*

*P.L. circular in connection  
with 16 Suppl. or formation of  
such a file.*

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37. Tel No. 1722 dated 24th Nov. 1945 circular from P.R., Bushire.

6. Noted. Copy passed to E.O.

7. P.A. Place copy on Handing  
over file & show to POT. & A.P.A.

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38. Memo. No. 1061 dt. 23/5/1931 from P.R. Bushire.

8. Copy of p. 92 of E.O. file 15/22-I  
placed on file by P.A's order.

and  
30/12/45

39. Bushire memo. no. 403-77/7 dt. 22.1.46.

40. Bushire memo. no. 183-S dt. 5.2.46.

9. S. 39 and 40. Noted. File?

10. Copies to POT. & min  
draft to POT.

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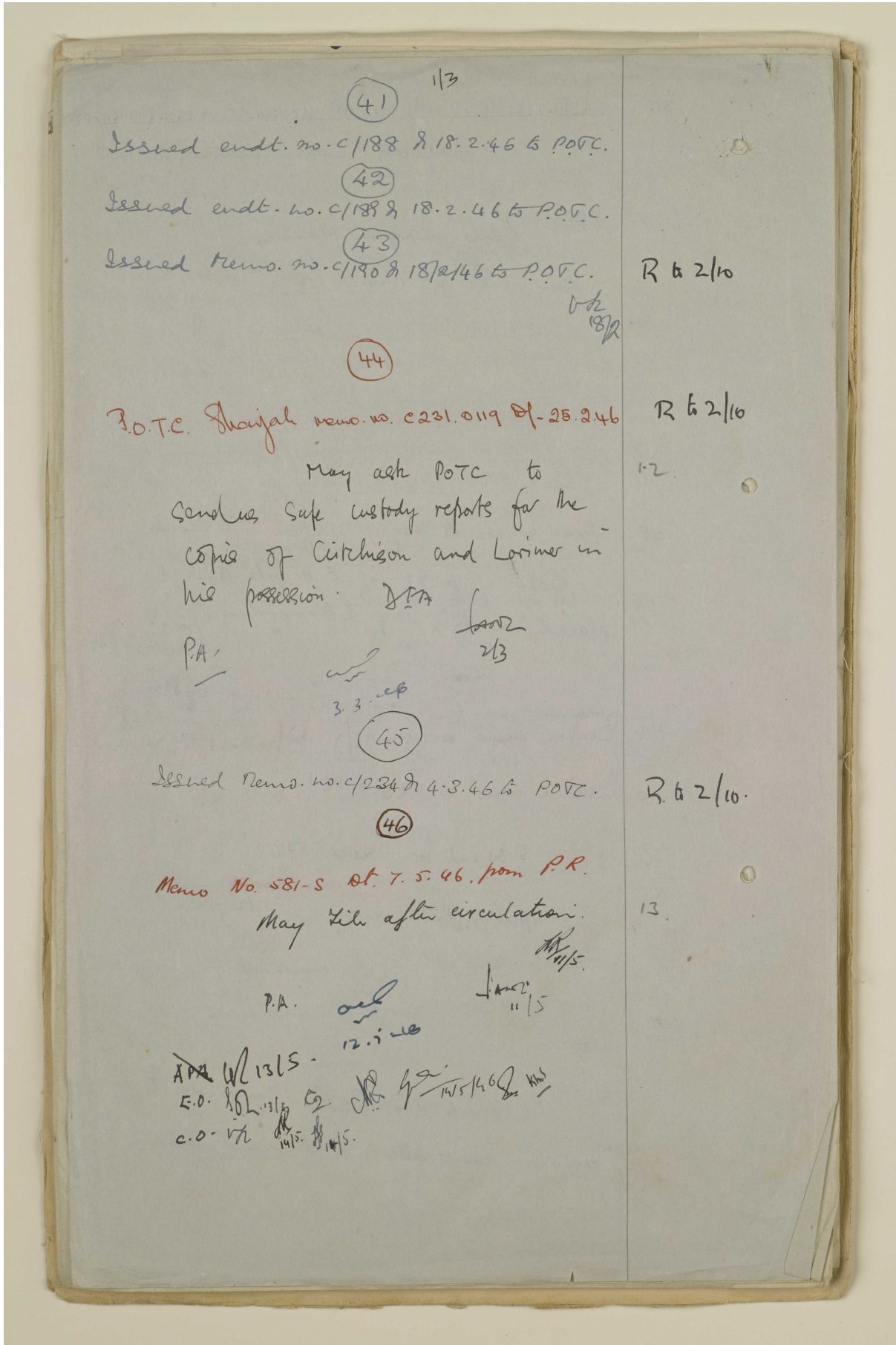
and  
17.2.46

11. Pl. check that POT. forwards  
receipt certificate & to record notes in  
his charge.

and  
17.2.46

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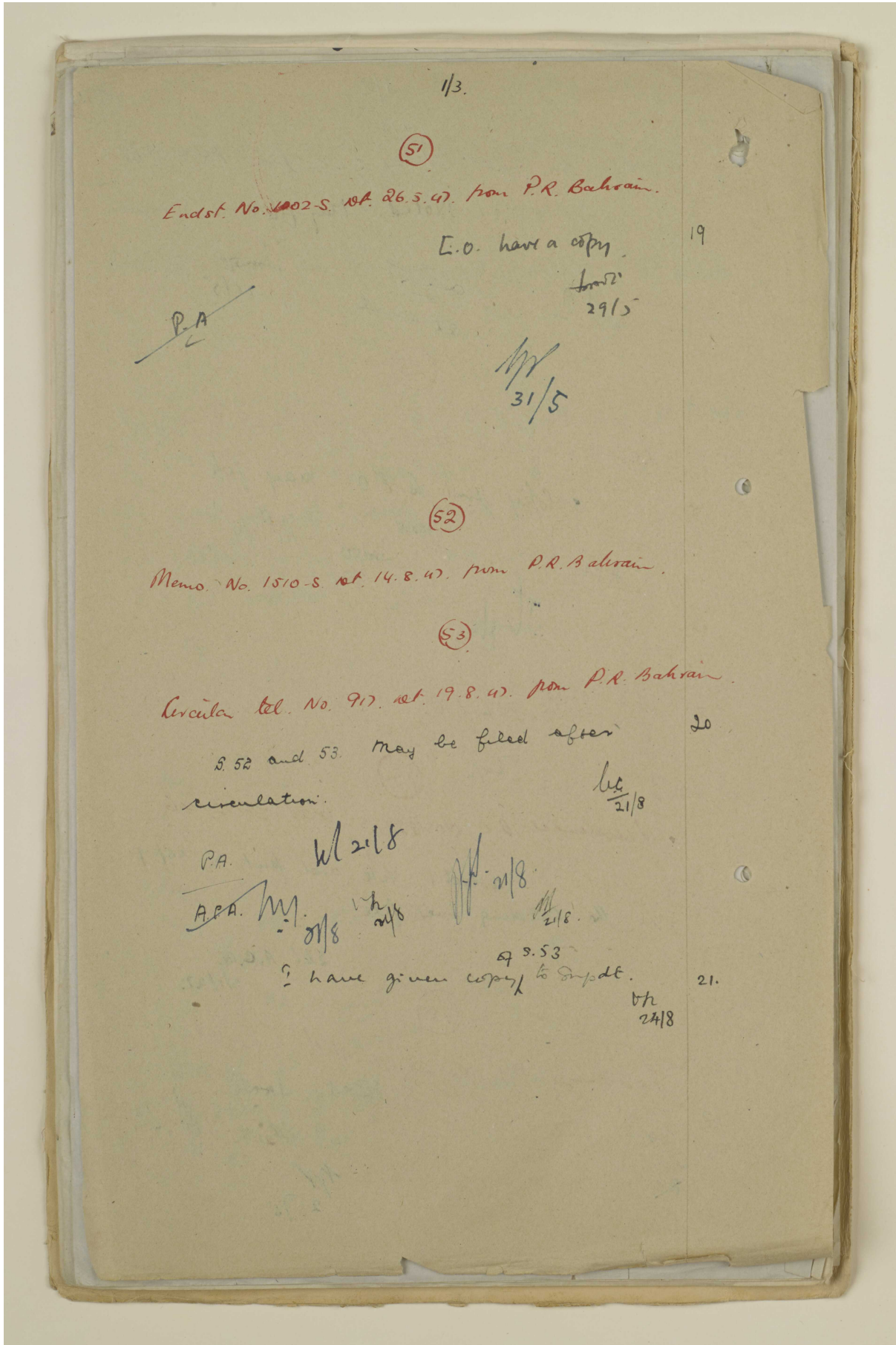
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Endst. No. 1002-S. dt. 26.5.47. from P.R. Bahrain.

E.O. have a copy

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Memo. No. 1510-S. dt. 14.8.47. from P.R. Bahrain.

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Circular tel. No. 917. dt. 19.8.47. from P.R. Bahrain.

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circulation.

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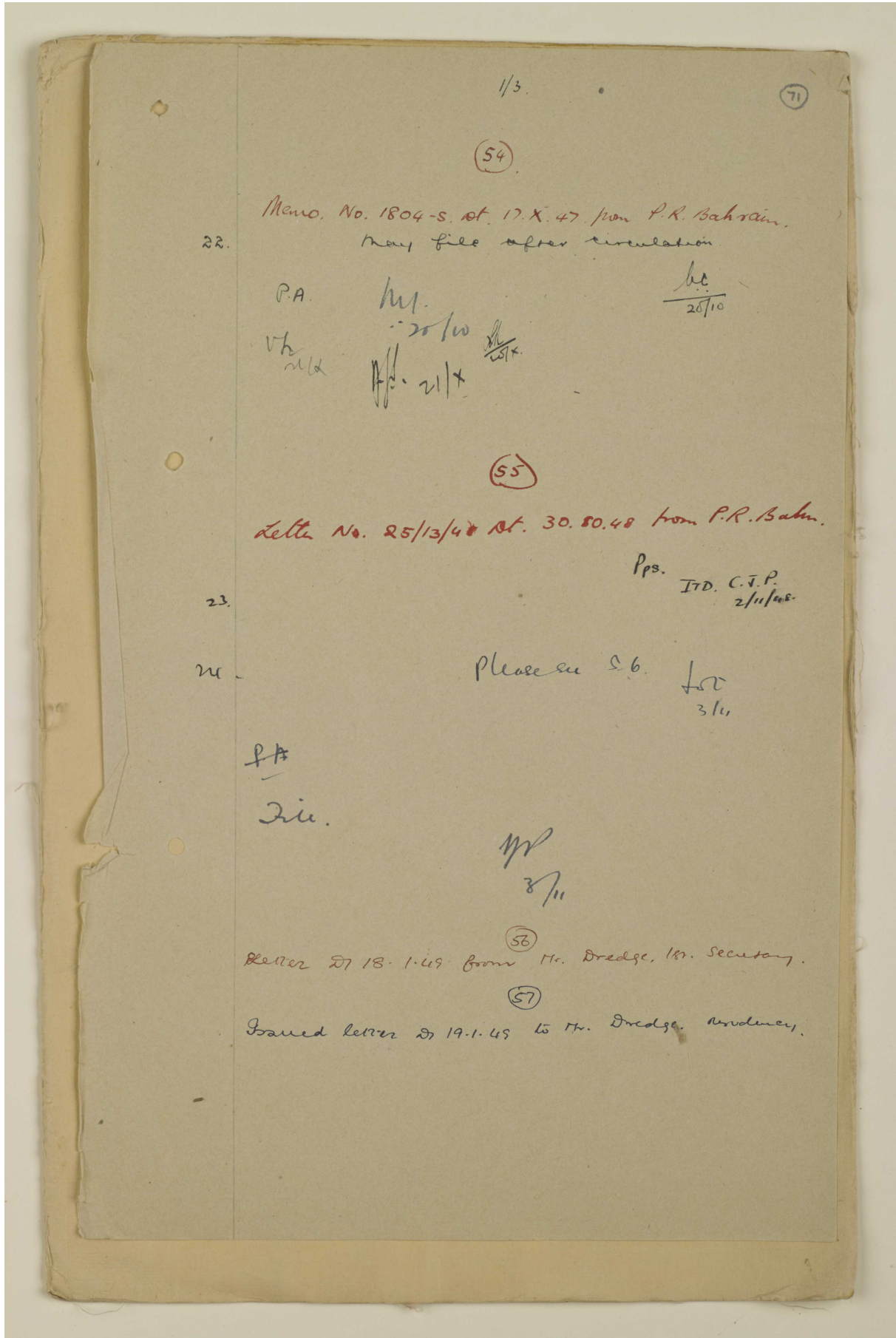
I have given copy to Dept.

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