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## Ext 440/48 'Major P. T. Fforde: possible employment under Sultan of Muscat'

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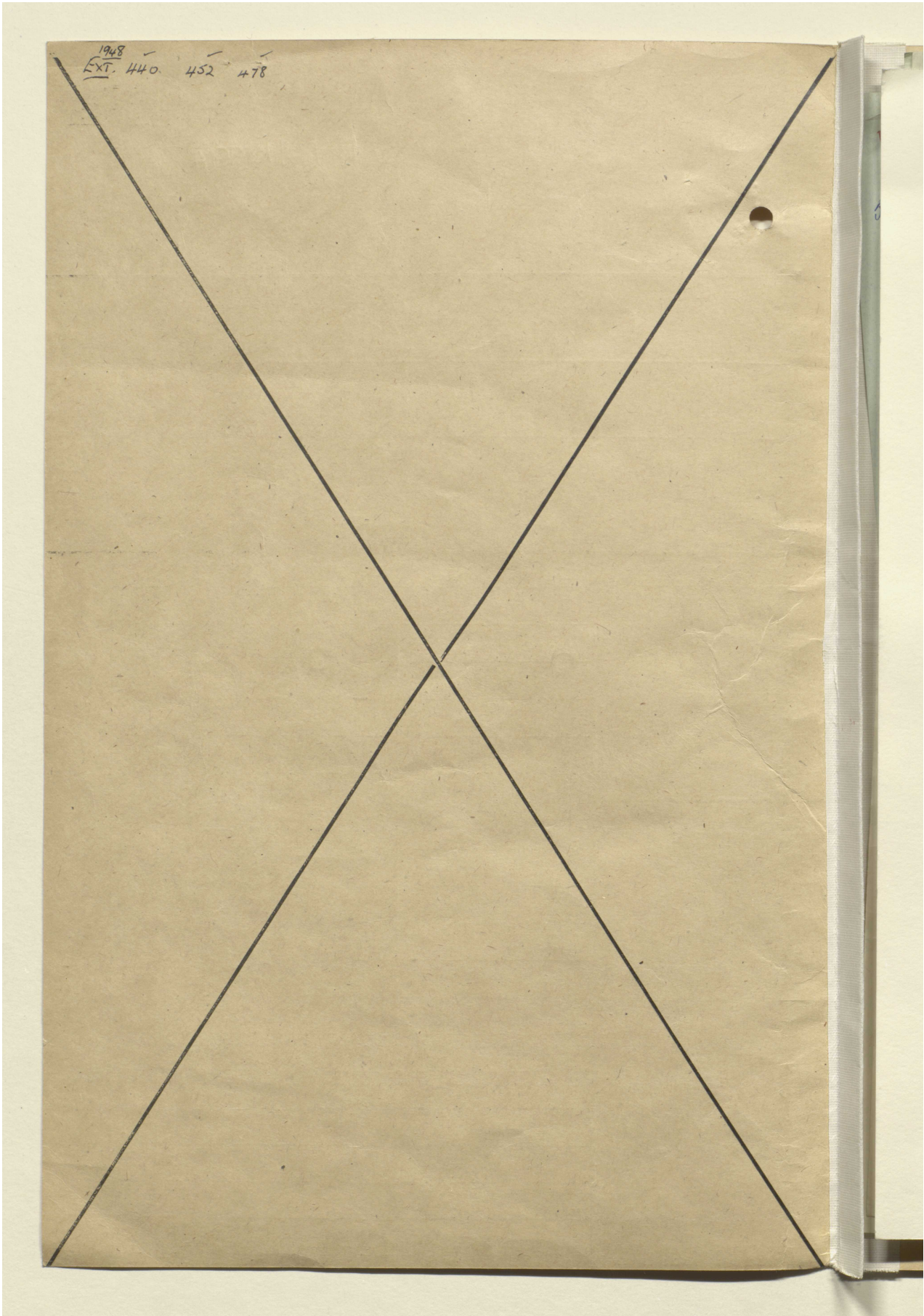
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The file contains correspondence regarding the potential employment of Major Patrick T Fforde, formerly of the Indian Army, by the Sultan of Muscat and Oman. As well as Fforde, the primary correspondents are: Foreign Office; Commonwealth Relations Office; Political Resident, Persian Gulf. The file includes a divider, which gives a list of correspondence references contained in the file by year. This is placed at the back of the correspondence.

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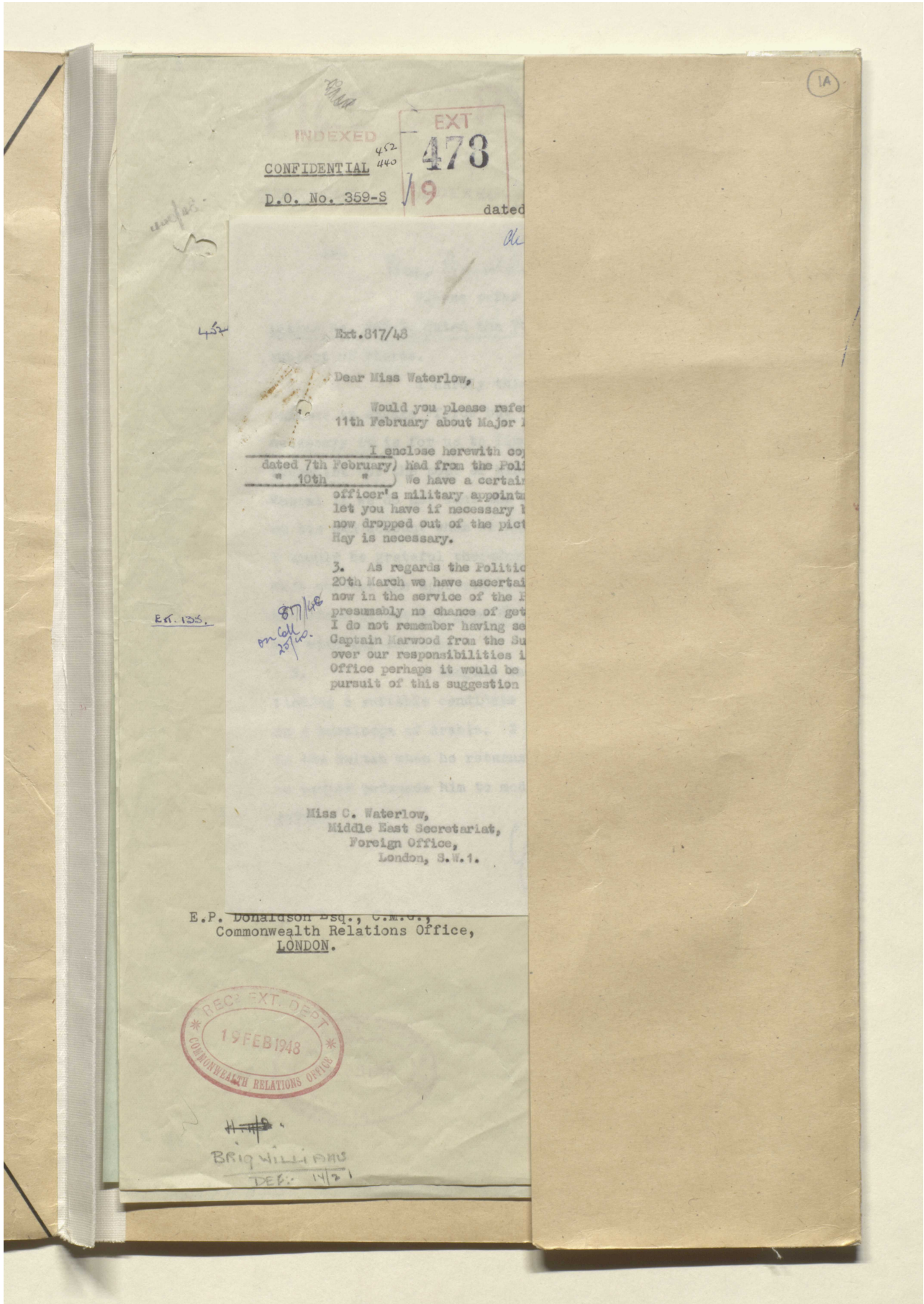
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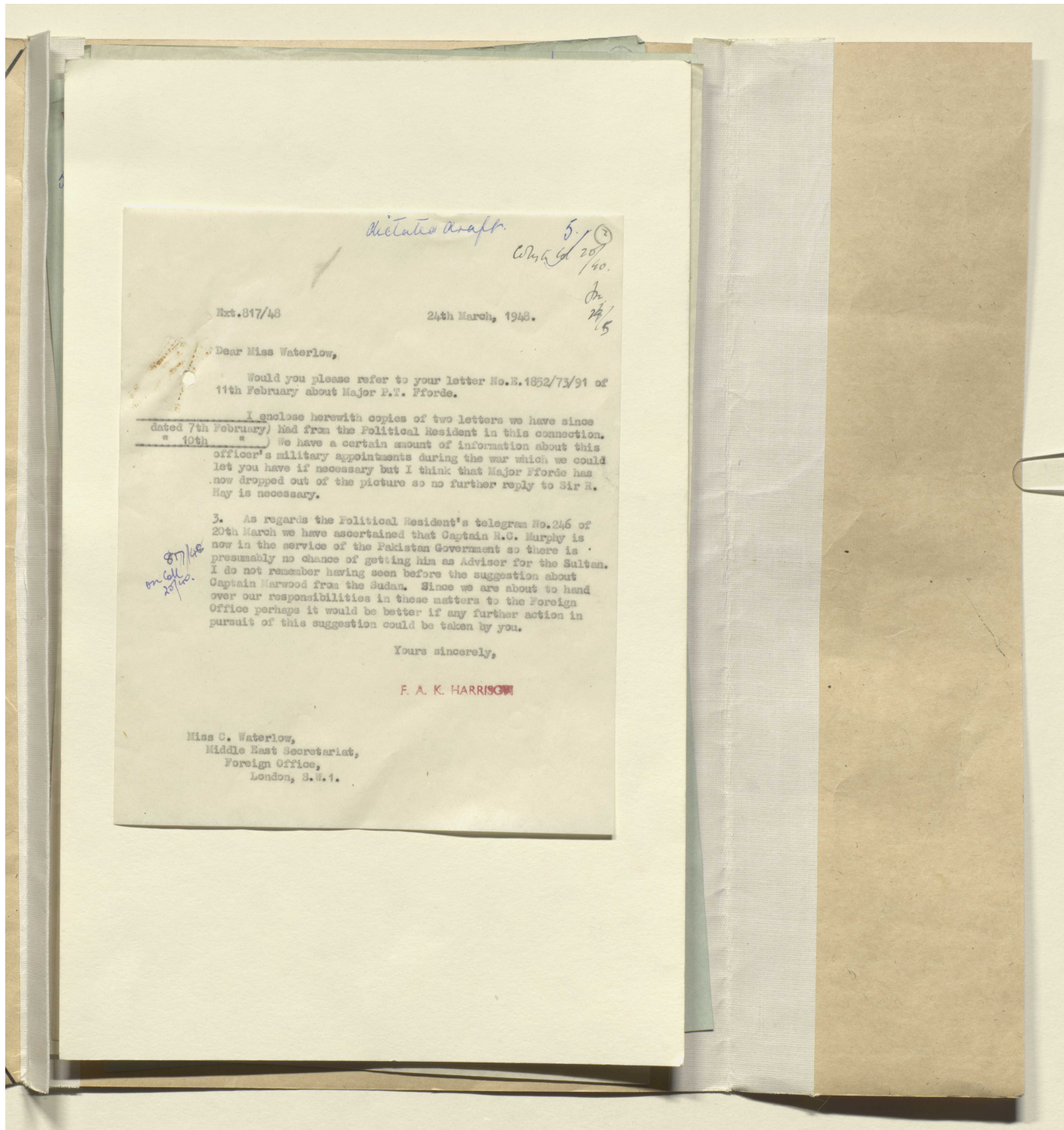


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Ext. 447/48

24th March, 1948.

Dear Miss Waterlow,

Would you please refer to your letter No.E.1852/73/91 of 11th February about Major P.T. Fforde.

I enclose herewith copies of two letters we have since dated 7th February) had from the Political Resident in this connection. We have a certain amount of information about this officer's military appointments during the war which we could let you have if necessary but I think that Major Fforde has now dropped out of the picture so no further reply to Sir R. Hay is necessary.

8/7/48  
on call  
20/5

3. As regards the Political Resident's telegram No.246 of 20th March we have ascertained that Captain R.C. Murphy is now in the service of the Pakistan Government so there is presumably no chance of getting him as Adviser for the Sultan. I do not remember having seen before the suggestion about Captain Harwood from the Sudan. Since we are about to hand over our responsibilities in these matters to the Foreign Office perhaps it would be better if any further action in pursuit of this suggestion could be taken by you.

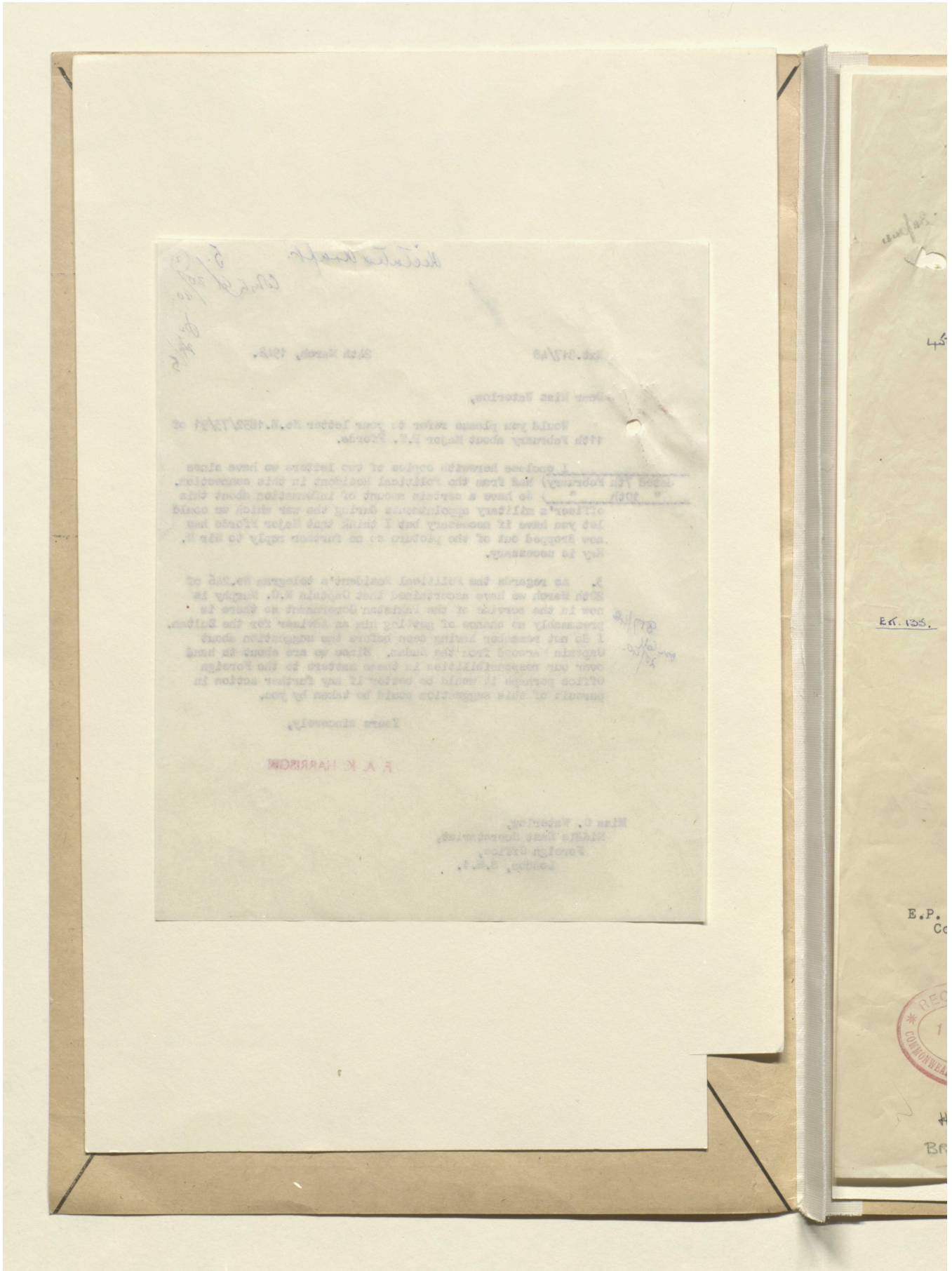
Yours sincerely,

F. A. K. HARRISON

Miss C. Waterlow,  
Middle East Secretariat,  
Foreign Office,  
London, S.W.1.

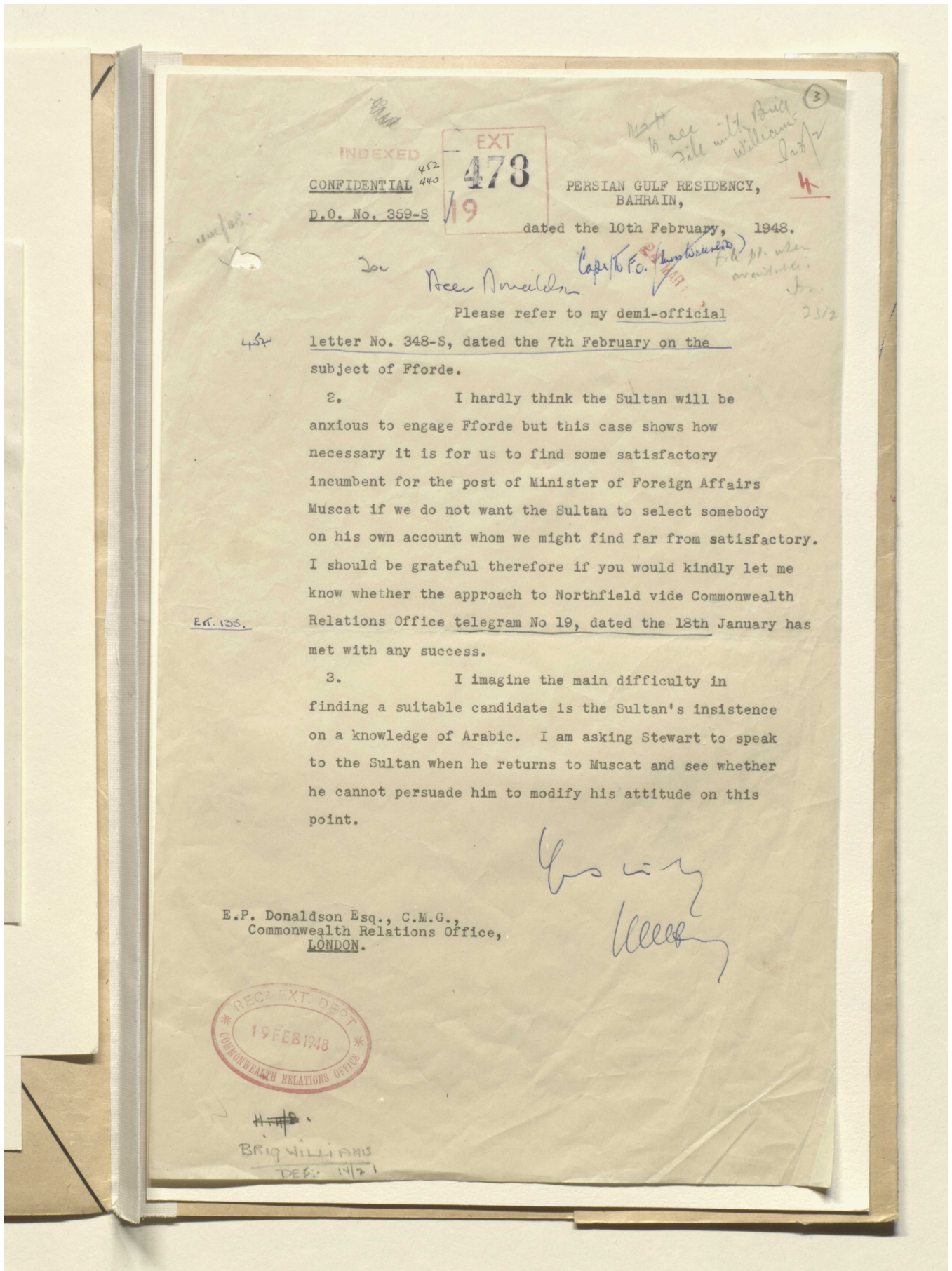


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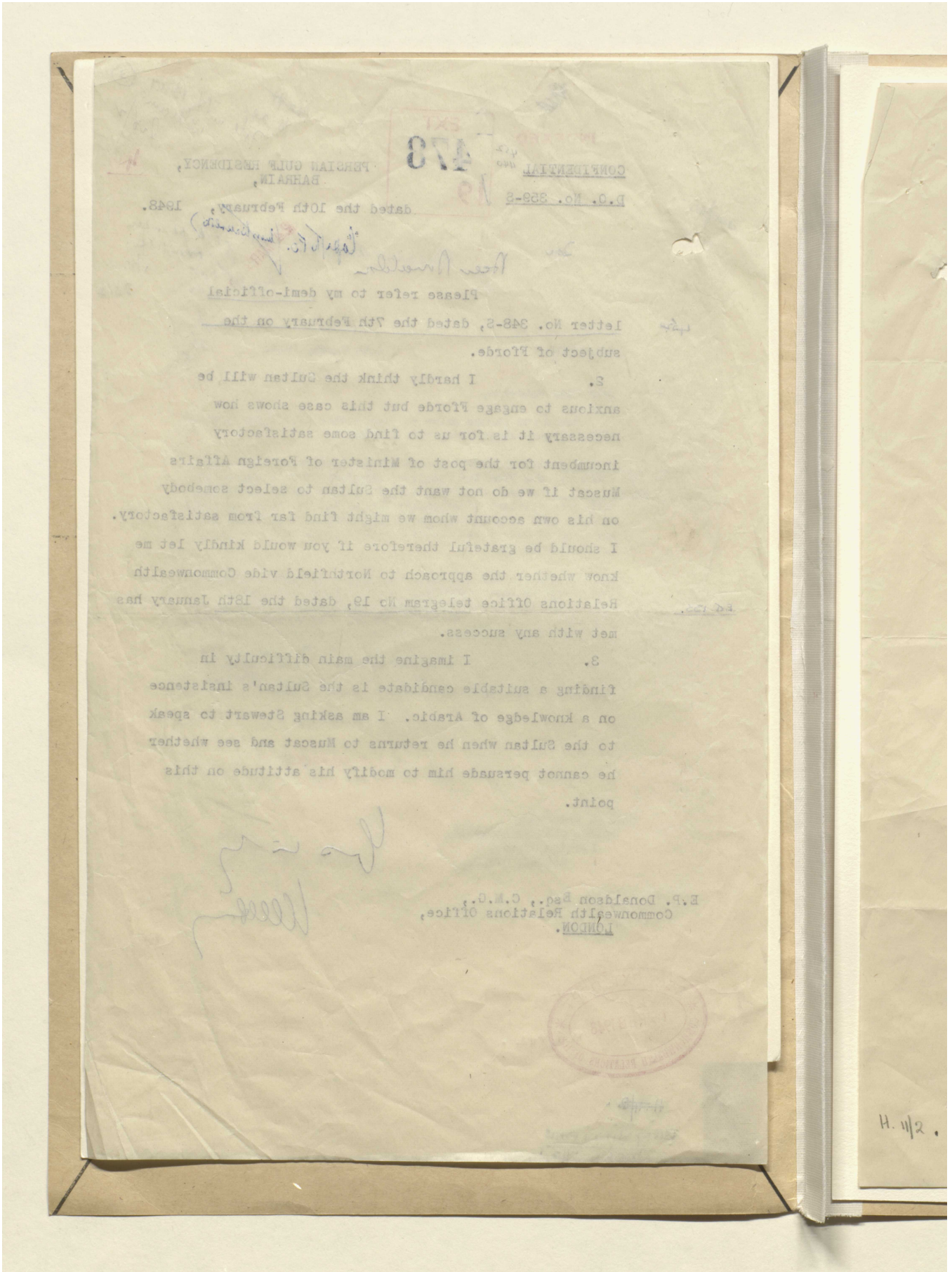


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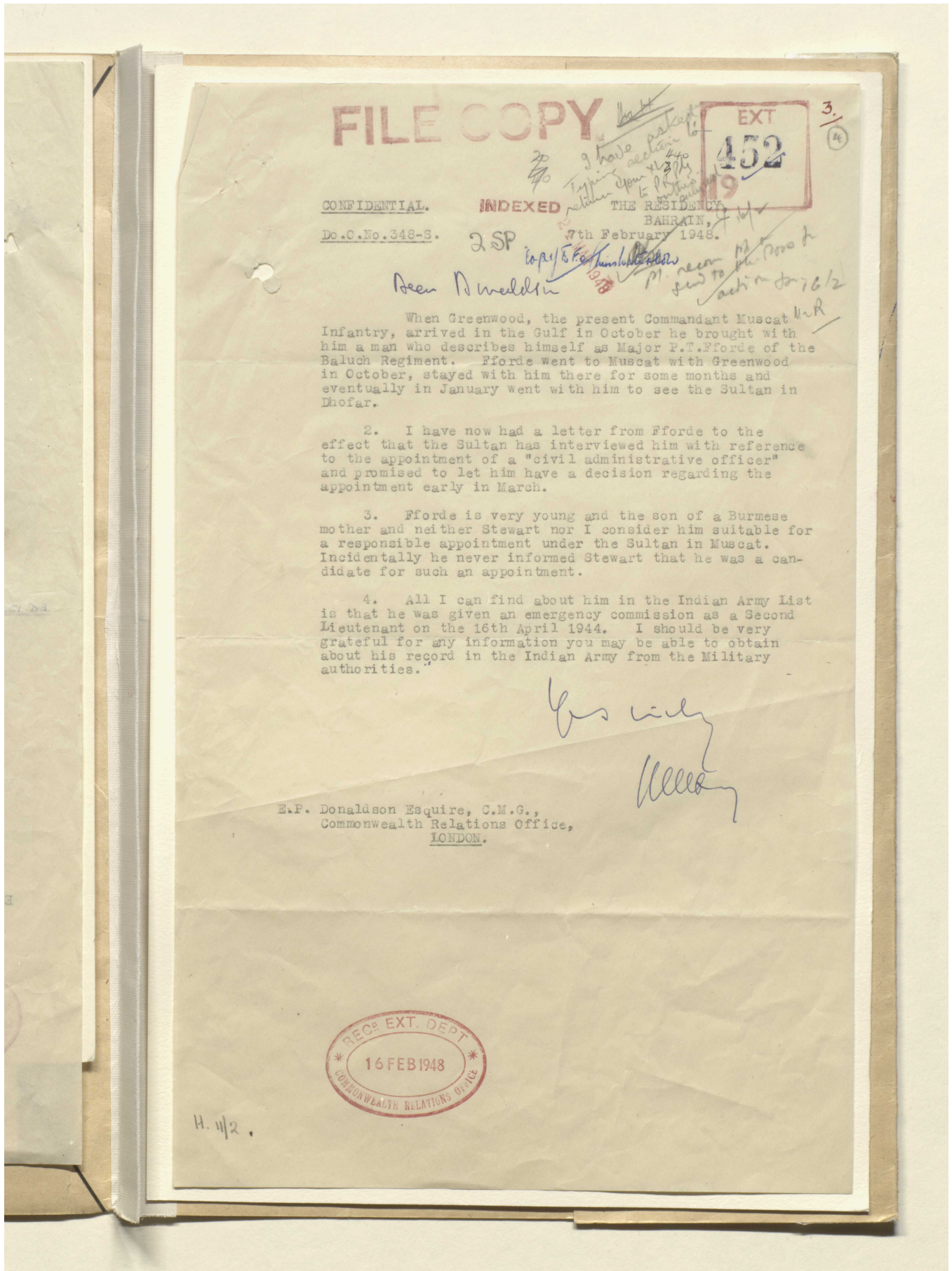


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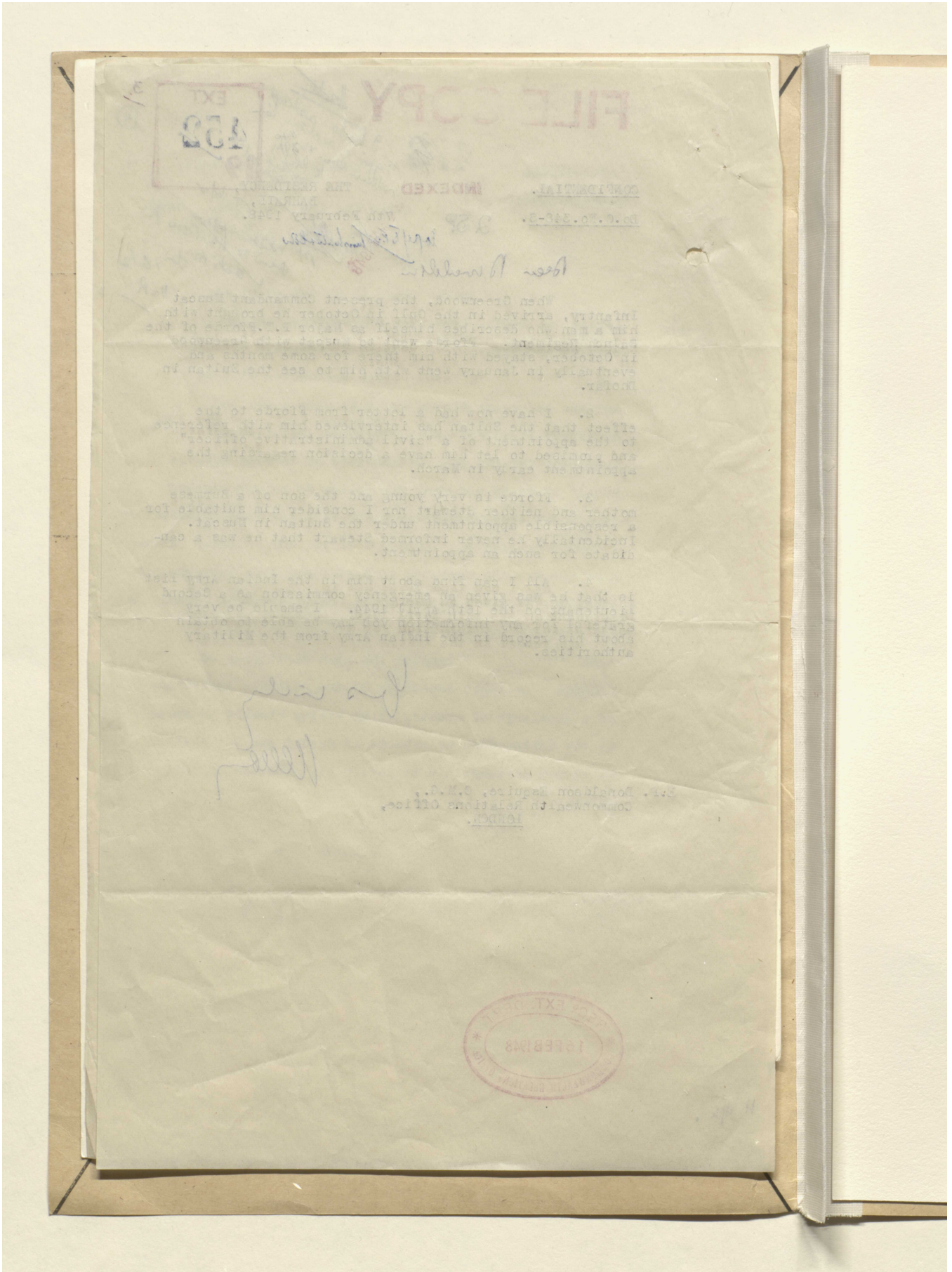


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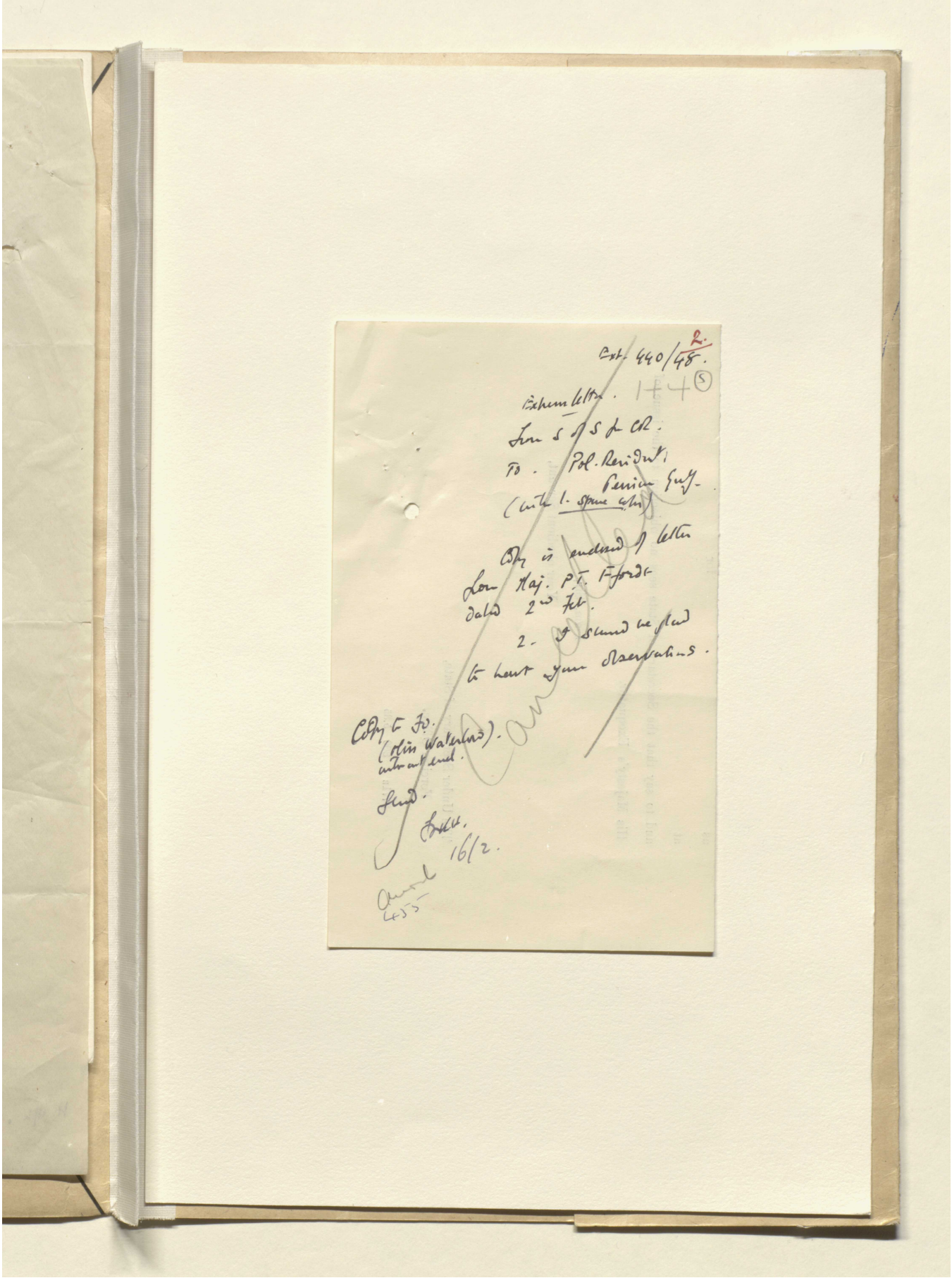




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Bchem letter. 17/4 (S)  
Ltr 5 of 5 to CL.  
To Pol. Res. Dept.  
(with 1. spine copy)  
Revise full.  
Copy is enclosed of letter  
from Maj. P. T. Fforde  
dated 2<sup>nd</sup> Feb.  
2. It should be read  
to heart your observations.  
Copy to Jo.  
(John Watkins).  
with enclosed.  
Send.  
J. Watkins.  
16/2.  
Amend  
455



as for  
at  
and to say that the Secretary of State sees no objection to the issue of  
His Majesty's Exequatur.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

The Under Secretary of State,  
Foreign Office.

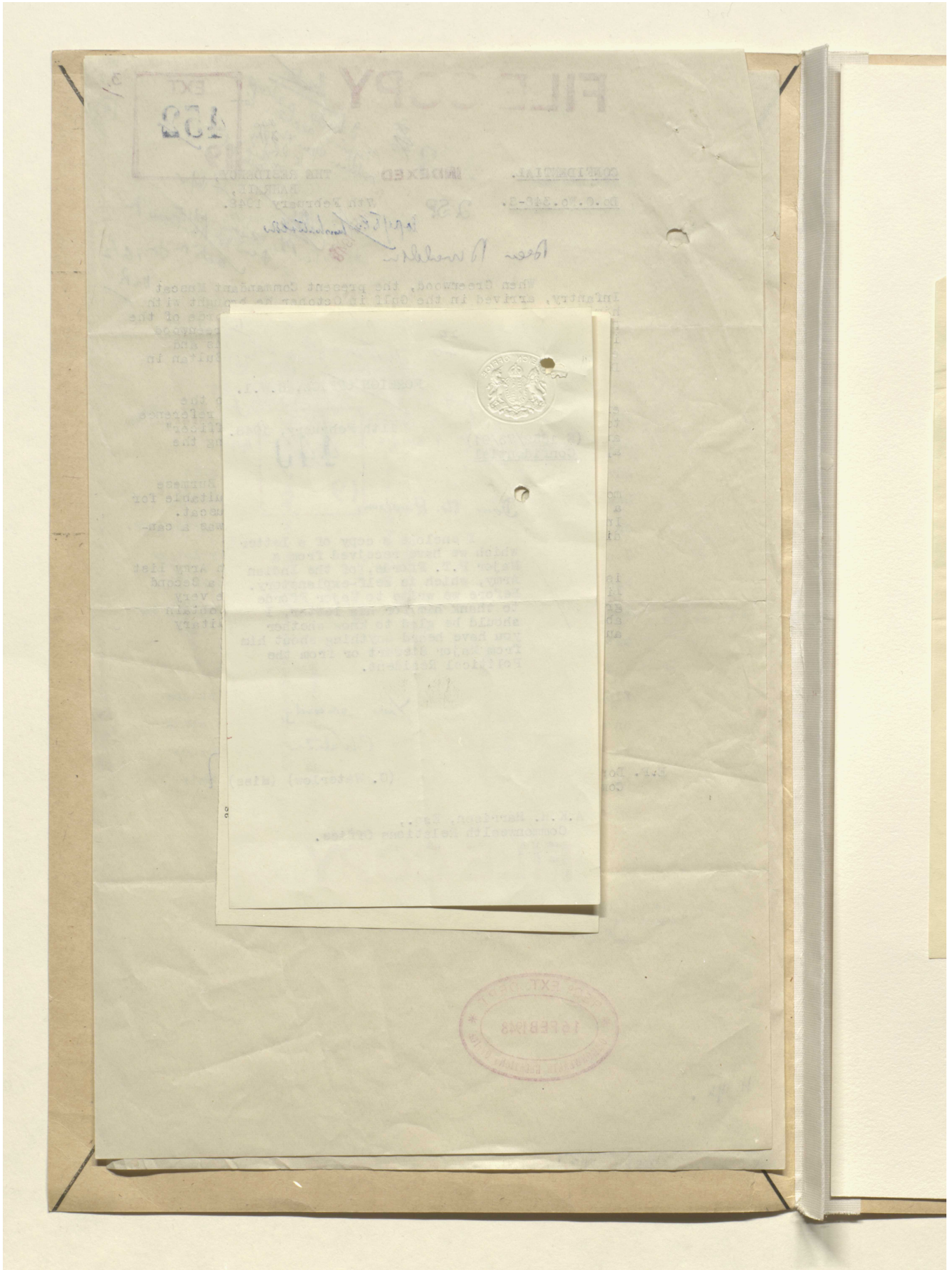
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Copy  
(E 1852/73/91)

Major Patrick T. Fforde,  
E.C. 13538 The Baluch Regt. I.A.  
c/o Lloyds Bank Ltd.  
Karachi,  
Pakistan.

2nd February, 1948.

Sir,

I have the honour to inform you that His Highness The Sultan of Muscat and Oman, has been kind enough to grant me an interview, with a view to considering my services, in a Civil Administrative capacity.

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Major Stewart, the British Consul at Muscat, was kind enough to inform me reference the matter, and I have engaged to inform The Hon The Resident of the Persian Gulf, on the outcome, of the interview.

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As an Englishman I deem it my duty to keep you informed, as no doubt His Majesty's Governments sanction, will finally be necessary to confirm the appointment, should the decision be favourable.

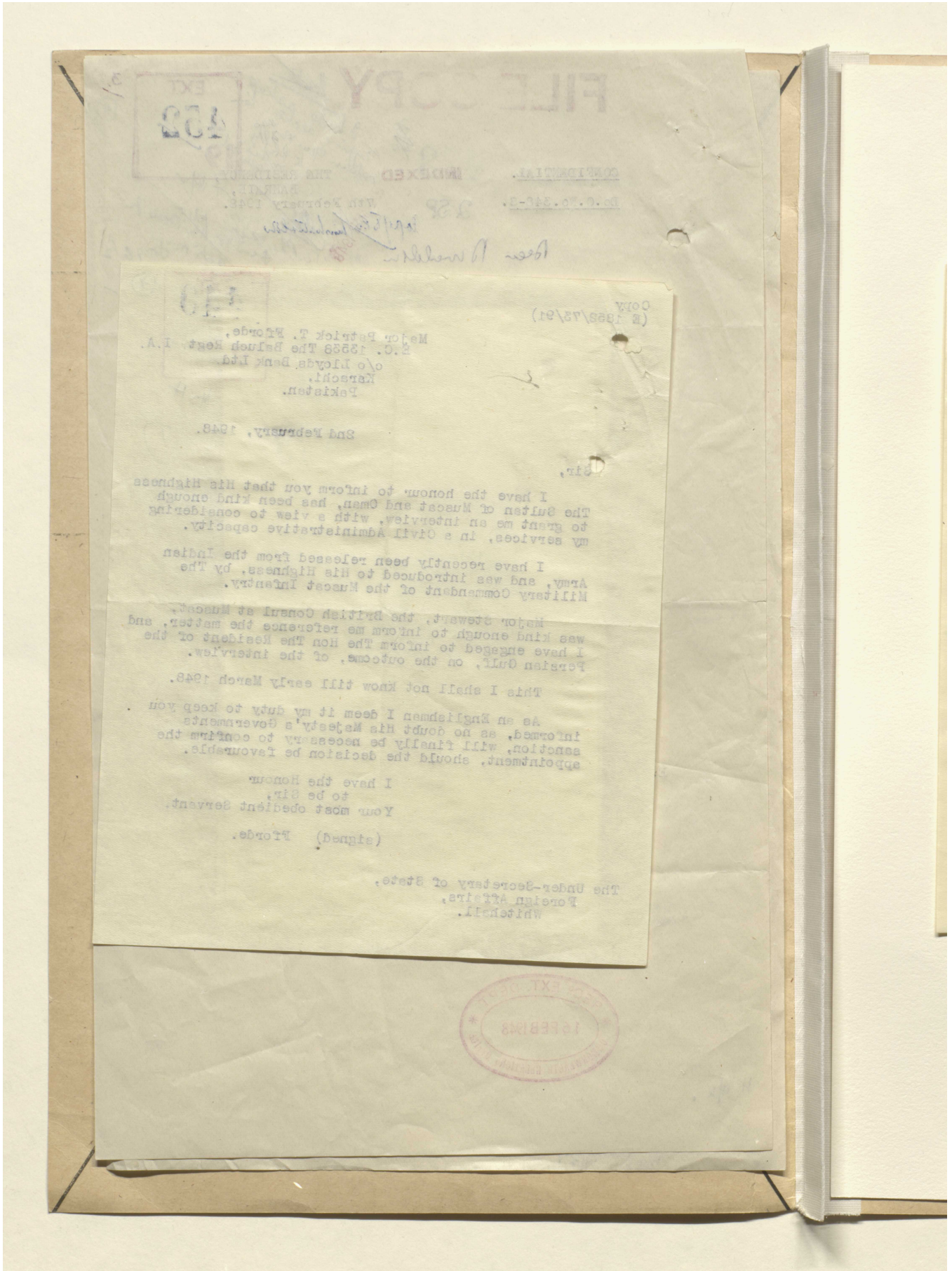
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Your most obedient Servant,

(signed) Fforde.

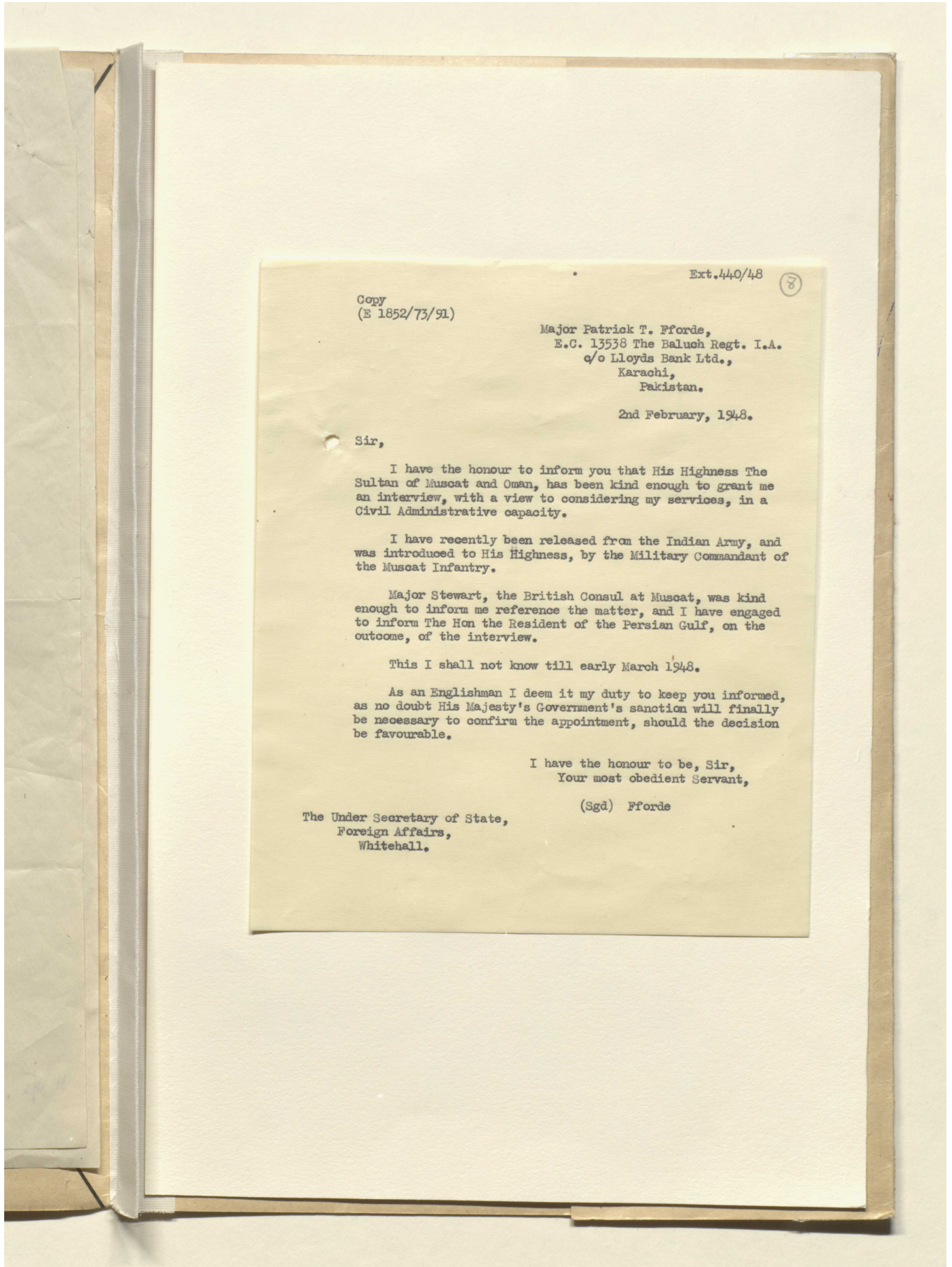
The Under-Secretary of State,  
Foreign Affairs,  
Whitehall.



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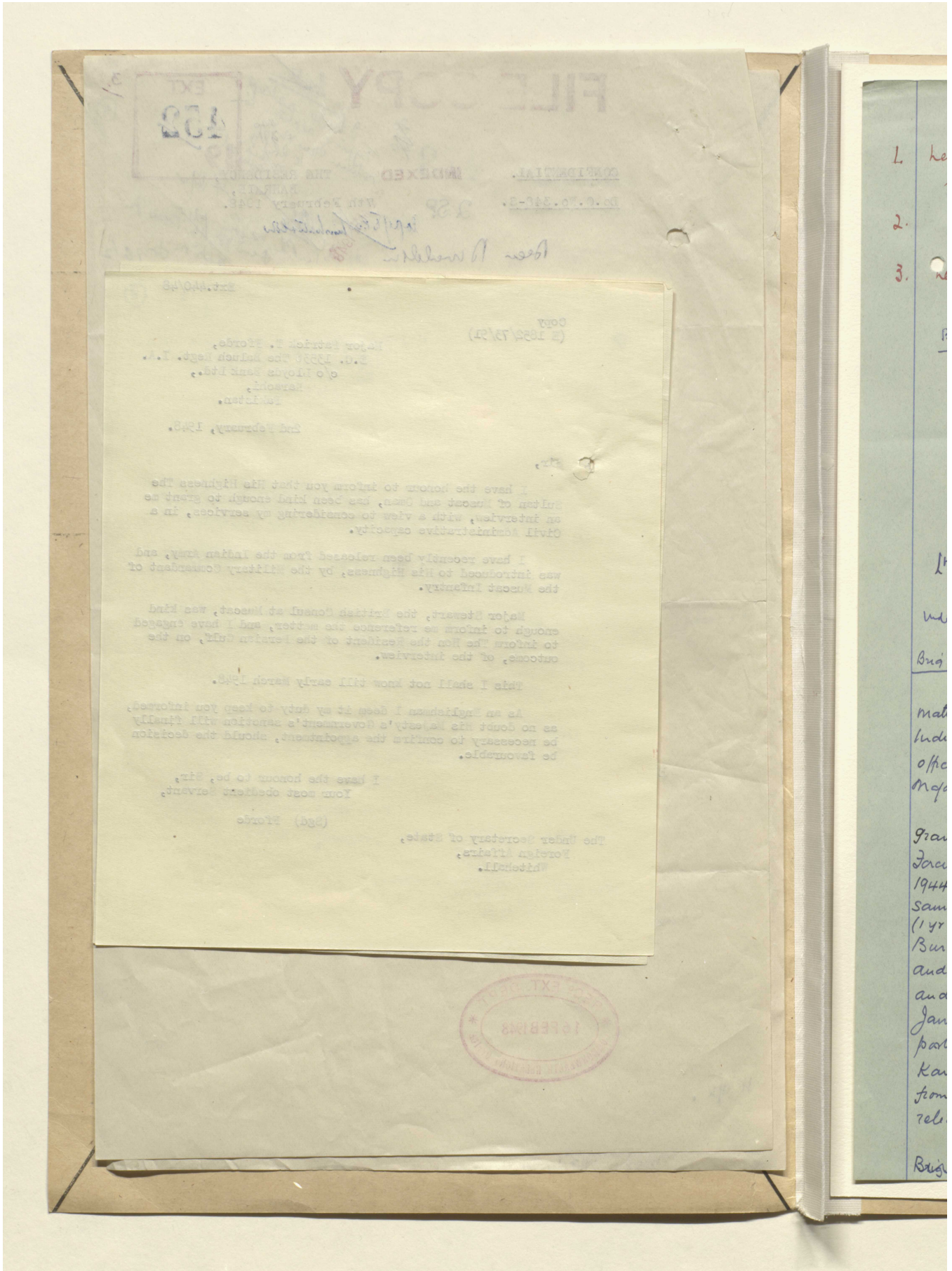
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(Sgd) Fforde

The Under Secretary of State,  
Foreign Affairs,  
Whitehall.



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1. letter from F.O. (E 1952/73/91) dated 11/3/48 enclosing letter from Maj P.T. Fforde Ext 440/48
  2. X.L. to PR Pts. Cancelled
  3. letter from PR Pts Do. 348-S d 7/2/48 Ext 440/48.

Brig. Monier Williams.

Defence Staff (B)

Please see letter from Sir Rupert Hay at 3. and pp's. I would be grateful for any information you may have regarding Maj Fforde.

J. Ross  
17/2

Lt Col Woods, Clarendon House

The I.A. list shows a Lieut P.T. Fforde at page 841.W. but not under the Baluch Regt. Have we received any records of this officer in India?

Brig. Monier Williams.

James Williams  
18/2

I ~~have~~ regret the delay in dealing with this matter, but I have been awaiting the receipt from India of documents dealing with the records of officers. Unfortunately no records in respect of Major Fforde have yet been received.

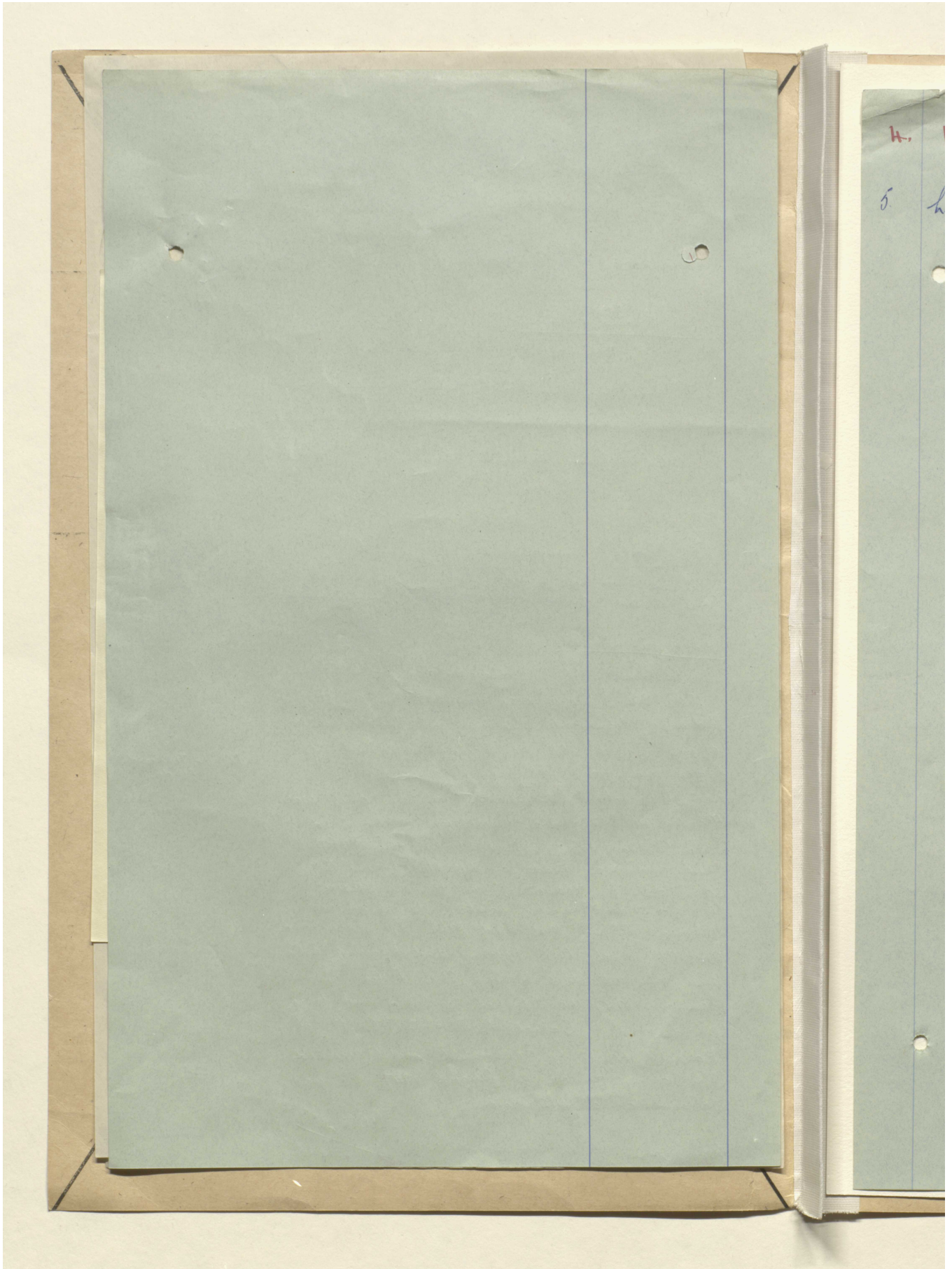
\* Patrick Theobald Fforde.

Information here shows that this officer was granted an emergency commission in the Land Forces (Indian Army) with effect from the 16th April 1944, and was made a W/S Lieut from the same date by reason of his previous service (1 yr and 57 days) in the rank. He served in Burma during 1945 and 1946 as 2nd in Comd and Offg. Comd., No. 2 Holding and Enquiry Centre, and later attached to 2nd Chin Rifles. In January 1947 he returned to India and was posted to the Baluch Regimental Centre at Karachi, where he remained until released from army service in August 1947. He was released as a W/S Major.

All Woods.

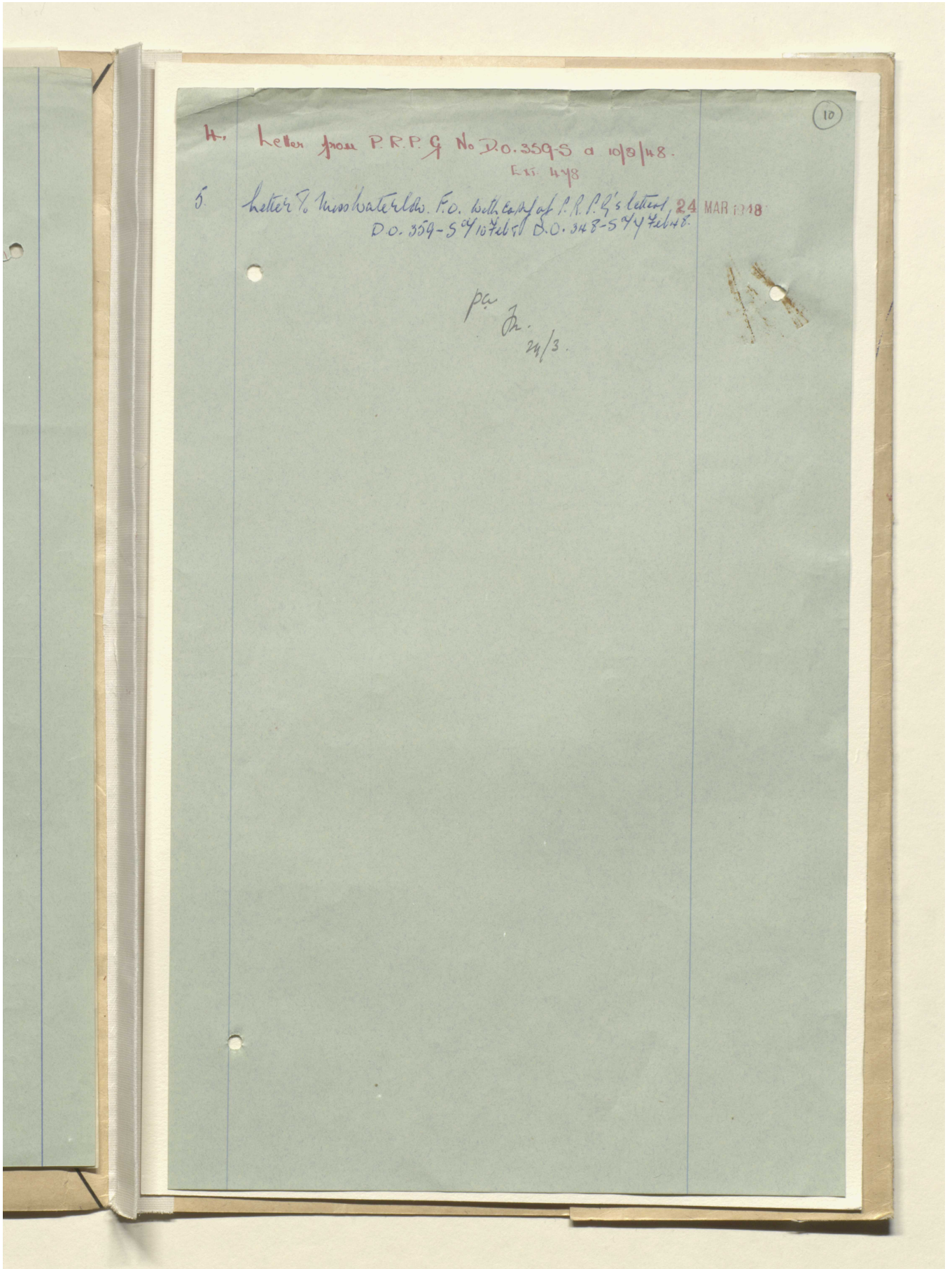
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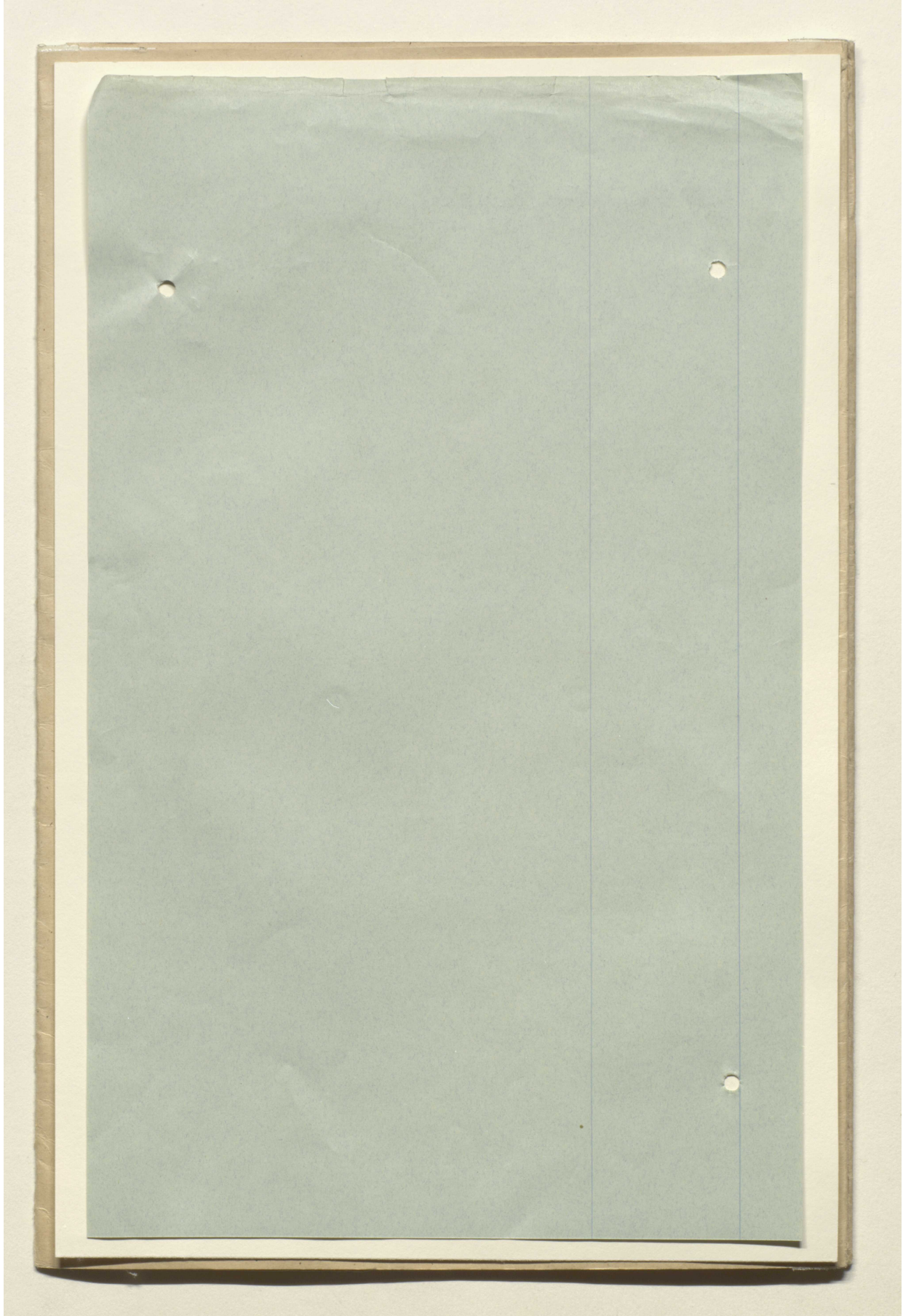




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