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### **Coll 20/21 (2) 'Muscat: Royal Family'**

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#### **About this record**

Correspondence regarding a visit by Sultan Said bin Taimur [Sa'īd ibn Taymūr Āl Bū Sa'īd] of Muscat to India and Pakistan in November to December 1949. The papers concern arrangements for travel, formalities to be followed, itinerary (see folio 17), and the allegation that the Sultan was not given due consideration by the British High Commissioner in Pakistan.

The principal correspondents include officials from the Persian Gulf Residency in Bahrain, Foreign Office, Political Agency in Muscat, Commonwealth Relations Office, Government of Pakistan, and the United Kingdom High Commissioners for India and Pakistan.

Also contained within the file is a note by Frederick Charles Leslie Chauncy, Political Agent, Muscat, on the visit, dated 23 January 1950, with some comment on the Sultan's personality (folio 14).

Folios 2-5 are internal office notes.

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POLITICAL (EXTERNAL) DEPT.

MUSCAT.

Royal FAMILY.

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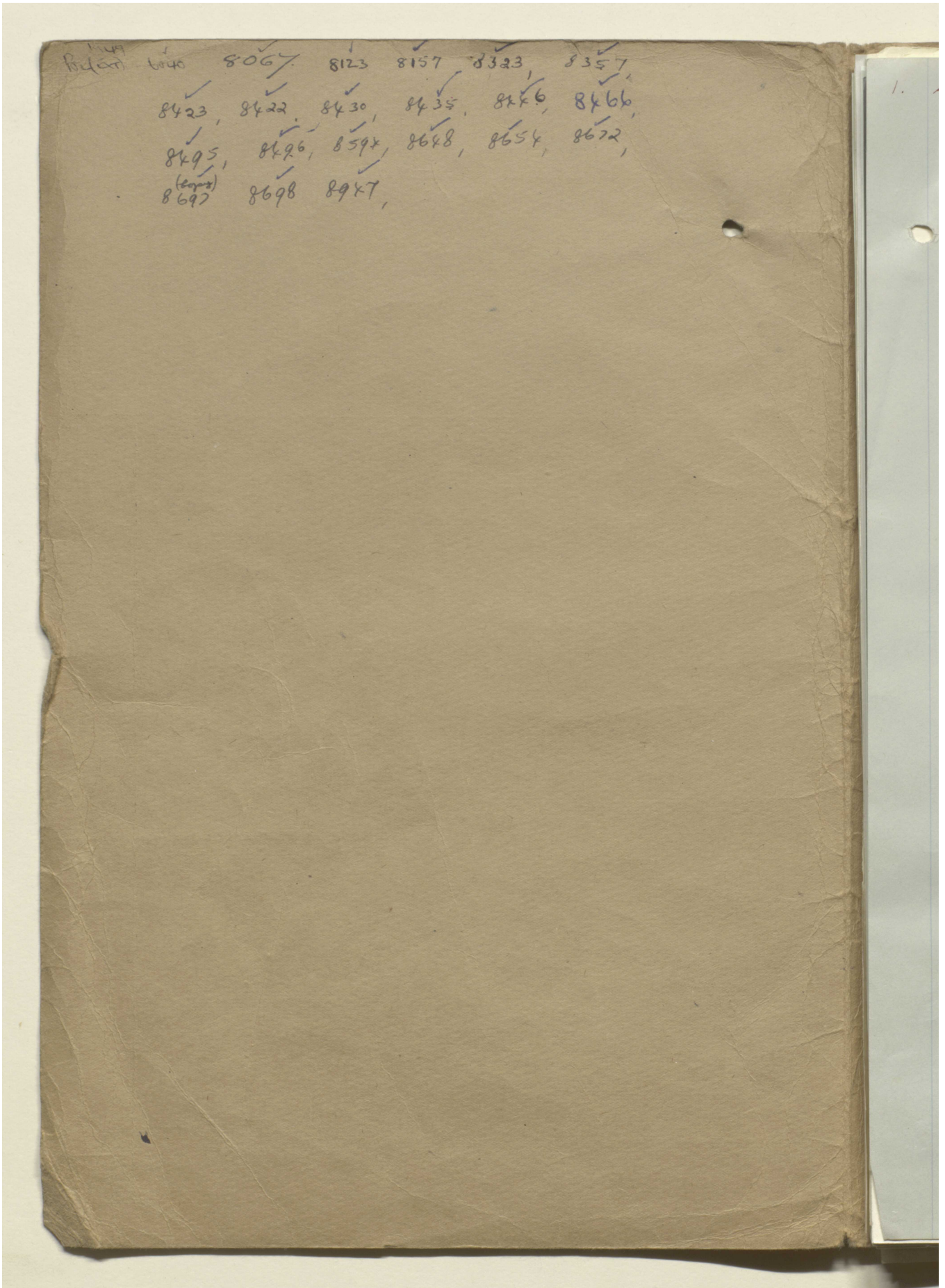
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1. Letter by F.O. on 5/1/49

(2)

Mr Rumbold

Mr. Gibson

As you will see, the Sultan of Muscat proposes to visit Bombay to obtain medical advice, and while wishing that her visit remain unofficial, hopes that the Indian Government will extend customary courtesies and Customs facilities.

In view of Hays' copying his letter to Delhi, is it necessary for us to take action as suggested in the F.O.'s letter, or should we notify the High Commissioner as a matter of courtesy?

Mr. Foster

Mr. Rumbold

Thinks

7/1

There is surely no need to tell the High Comm: for India, & in view of the last sentence of para. 2 there seems no need to give the UKHC any instructions at this stage? (H) 7/1

External Relations

I have discussed further with Mr. Progers who agrees that we need do nothing more on this at the moment.

Put by

P.P.

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PA. Progers

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Tel. X1551 from UKHC INDIA d. 5 September

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3. Tele from Bahrain to F.O. No 422 dtd 10/9/49 Repeated to  
UKHC Delhi No 2712 dtd 12/9/49.

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4. Memo from F.O. d/3.9.49. Encl Copy of letter from P.A Muscat  
to P/ol Res: Persian Gulf No 31/8/29/49/8.49.

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5. Memo F.O. E 11202/1942/91 of 3.10.49. encl copy of tel 3809 from  
Foreign Karachi to P.R.P.C. Bahrain of 8.9.49.

Miss Enay.

You are not I think aware of the  
inquiry visit to <sup>India</sup> Pakistan of the Sultan of  
Muscat. Our files are rather disconnected,  
but the visit seems to be unofficial.  
Doubtless something will emerge about the  
relations of the countries, possibly in connection  
with referendum, treaties etc. I don't  
think, however, that there is anything we should  
do about it.

? PA

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6. Tel No X 1462 from UKHC/Radha of 8.10.49.  
F.O. - 11202 Rogers with copy of [6] 10/11/49.

6A. Miss Enay.

F.O. have now received information that Sultan  
of Muscat is passing through Karachi, in a ship  
due to leave Muscat yesterday, on his way  
to Bombay. The Muscat telegram to New Delhi  
from which this information was obtained was  
not repeated to Karachi. We should. Rogers  
thinks it may be possible that the omission may  
be deliberate on the part of an Indian clerk in  
the Muscat office. This is probably far  
fetched, but nevertheless I feel, as Rogers agrees,  
that we should repeat the telegram immediately  
to Karachi, adding the suggestion that the UKC  
should inform the Pak<sup>n</sup>. Govt. & any other countries  
he considers necessary. I have incorporated the  
text of the Muscat tel<sup>m</sup>. in the attached draft  
tel<sup>m</sup>. to Karachi.

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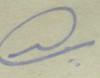
7. J.O. Memo E12283/1942/91 dtd 15/10/49 encls copies (3) of tele 3809 from Karachi to Political Resident Bahrain + tele 29 from Bahrain to J/P dtd 21/9/49.
8. J.O. Memo E12251/1942/91 dtd 15/10/49 encls copies of saving N°14 from Bahrain to F.O. dtd 25/8/49 + N°18 dtd 28/9/49.
9. Tele. N°1552 from UKHC. Pakistan dtd 18/10/49
- 9A F.O. - J.E. Rogers - with copy of [9] 18/10/49.
10. Tele N°1553 from UKHC. Pakistan dtd 18/10/49.
- 10A FO - J.E. Rogers - with copy of [10] 19/10/49.
11. J.O. memo E12284/1942/91 dtd 19/10 encls. letter (87/65/49) from Bahrain 28/9/49.
12. Tele N°2192 to Rep. Pakistan dtd 22<sup>nd</sup> Oct
- 12A D II  
FO - J.E. Rogers - with copy of [12]
13. Tele 1578 from UKHC. Pakistan dtd 25/10/49.

Mr. MacLennan

Two things remain to be done in connection with the visit to India and Pakistan of the Sultan of Muscat.

- (a) To tell Karachi of the courtesies which the Political Resident advised the U.K. High Commissioner, New Delhi, to pay to the Sultan;
- (b) to remind all parties of the necessity to keep Karachi in touch, which they have not previously done.

I had a word with Miss Emery on this and we agreed that both could be done by a telegram on the lines of the attached draft, which I have cleared with Rogers of the Foreign Office.  
May I issue please?

  
26.10.49.

- 13A F.O. - J.E. Rogers with copy of [13] 27/10/49
14. Tele 1586 from UKHC Pakistan dtd. 25/10/49
- 15 F.O. - J.E. Rogers - with copy of [14] 27/10/49.
16. Letter to F.O. (J.E. Rogers) dtd. 29/10/49.

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17 Letter to UKHC, Karachi. (R. R. Burnett) dtd 29<sup>th</sup> Oct.

18 Copy of [17] to UKHC N. Delhi (~~M. E. Roberts~~) dtd 29/10/49.  
F.O. (J. E. Rogers)

19 F.O. — Tel. 522 from Bahrain — 5/11/49  
20 To Rep. Karachi — No. 2319 Tel. — 8/11/49  
(repeating (19))  
Miss Emery.

Before receiving Bahrain's reply at paper (19) to Karachi telegram at paper (13) I had discussed with Glasse of Treaty Department, Foreign Office, who made the following points:-

- (a) There is no strict procedure agreed by all countries before the reception of Heads of States, except that a 21 guns salute seems to be standard practice. It is for each State to decide what it wants to do.
- (b) In deciding it would necessarily take into account the degree of honour it wished to accord to the ruler concerned - if in this case the Government of Pakistan laid on the full ceremony for the Sultan of Muscat they would find it hard to improve on that performance when visited by a more important ruler.
- (c) In response to my request for an indication of the ceremony we should provide for a ruler of the status of the Sultan of Muscat. - he indicated the following:-

Reception at airfield by senior Member of Government -  
21 gun salute - provision of guard of honour -  
attachment to suite of suitable officers as liaison officers.

There would probably be a reception by the King followed by luncheon - almost certainly not a state banquet.

Most of this seems either to be covered by what the Political Resident has said, or to be so elementary as not to need stating in terms.

But you may think it worth while to incorporate it, or some of it, in a telegram to Karachi leaving it to the High Commissioner's discretion to pass it on to the Pakistanis or not as he sees fit, and I have drafted accordingly.

I have cleared the terms of the draft with Glasse and have undertaken, if it is substantially altered in matters which concern him, to refer it back to him.

I have/cleared it with Rogers. It is perhaps, not necessary to do so.

*[Signature]*  
9/11

In view of (19) a further tel. from us is perhaps not strictly necessary but the guidance in this draft may

may be useful to the Pakistanis <sup>(4)</sup>  
for the future.

J.B.  
9/11/49.

I agree with the telegram but  
it can go wrong.

10/11/49

21. Extract <sup>letter to</sup> from B.A.B Burrows. F.O. from Bahrain Residency

22. Saving 381 to UKHC PAKISTAN d. 11 November

23. Copy (22) to F.O. (Rogers & Glasse) 11/11

24. F.O. E.13231/1942/91 encl. letter to Residency Bahrain d. 7 Nov.

25. F.O. E13445/1942/41 12 Nov. 49. Carlot. copy Tel No 24 Saving  
Bahrain to F.O. 25 Oct 49.

26. Tel x1945. — Rep India — 16 Nov 49.

27. To F.O. (Mr J.B. Rogers) w/c (26). 16 Nov 49.

28. Copy Tel No x1965 — Rep India 18 Nov 49.

29. Tel 542. Bahrain to F.O. 18 Nov 49.


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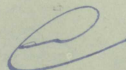
- 31 Rep. Karachi — Desp. 64 — 8/14/29  
31A. Extract "Pakistan Weekly News" 10.12.49.  
Copy 31 & c. to T.E. Rogers Esq. <sup>DEC 1949</sup>  
H: PA.  17/11.  
32 To F.O. (Mr. T.E. Rogers) — c. (31 + encl.)  
19/12/49  
32A. P.R. Bahrain to FO — Desp 9 (27.5.50) — 28.1.50  
(Original on 4/5/11)  
33. F.O. — (EA 1942/1) — 1.2.50.  
(24/5/50 FROM BAHRAIN).

Miss Emery

~~As discussed~~

Please see paper (33). Draft herewith.

Mr. Kitson should be home in about a fortnight's time, and is expected to contact the Office. We can therefore get in touch with him through Establishment Overseas if we wish to do so.



8.2.50.

~~Mr Madannan~~

When Mr Cook discussed this with me I was inclined to think that, although we might mention this to

Mr Kitson

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Mr Kitson, we should also write  
to New Delhi about it since the  
important thing now is not really  
the explanation of why the  
Deputy H.C. did not call  
personally on the Sultan but  
a warning for the future that  
Sultans (who are a new kind  
of client for C.R.O. officials)  
take this sort of thing seriously.  
On thinking it over again, I am  
less than ever inclined to commit  
us to raising this incident  
with Mr Kitson. It may be that  
the subject will come up in some  
way in discussion with him  
but I do not think we need  
raise it deliberately.

I have amended the draft  
accordingly.

J.P.S.  
9/2/50

10/2/50

34 To U.K.H.C, N Delhi (summary - brief) - w/2 encls. dd 10 FEB 1950  
To F.O (Recd) - w/2 encls, copy (34) dd 10 FEB 1950

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~~35. P.R. Bahrain - Desp. No 9 (27/5/50) - 28-2-50~~  
(To P.O.)  
35 To UKHC, New Delhi (Summing Bridge) - 1 - MAR 1950  
36 " F.D. (Rose) - do 1 - MAR 1950  
(copy of (35) enclosed)

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D.O. DRAFT AND RECORD COPY

Commonwealth Relations Office,  
Downing Street, S.W.1.  
1st March, 1950.

Pol. Ext. 9289/49.

DRAFT

Dear Rose,

MR. I. M. MacLennan  
MR. C. M. Rose  
MR. C. M. Rose

I sent you a copy of my letter of the 10th February to Cumming-Bruce in New Delhi about the visit of the Sultan of Muscat to Bombay.

I enclose a copy of a further letter which I have now sent to Cumming-Bruce following the talk with Kitson, the Deputy High Commissioner in Bombay, who is now in this country.

ENCLOSURES

It looks as though the Sultan had been under a misapprehension but I suggest that nothing should be said to the Sultan about this until we receive any comments that New Delhi may have to make on the matter.

Yours sincerely,

(Signed) I. M. R. MACLENNAN

(I. MacLennan).

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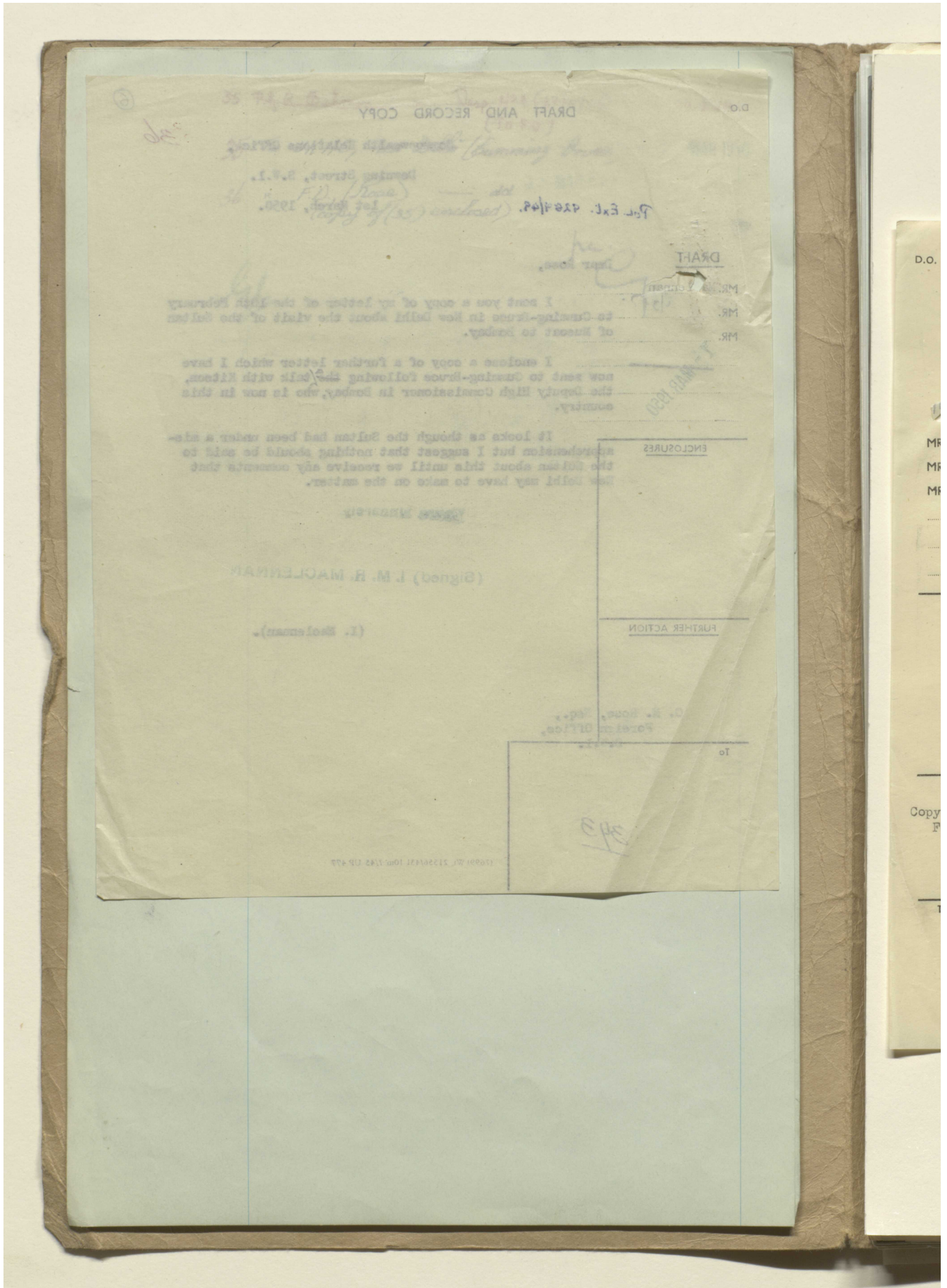
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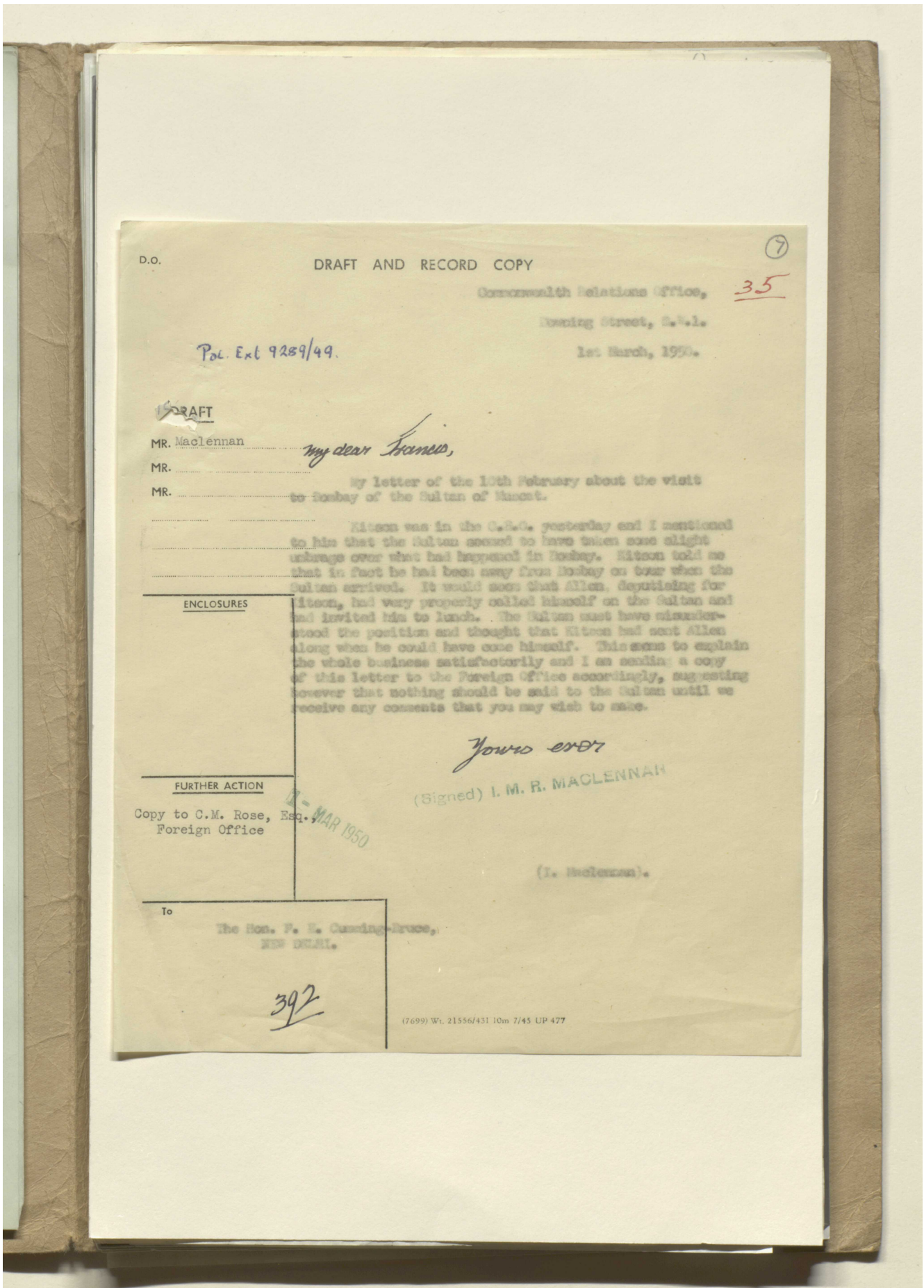
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Downing Street, S.W.1.

1st March, 1950.

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~~DRAFT~~

MR. MacLennan

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MR.

*My dear Francis,*

My letter of the 10th February about the visit to Muscat of the Sultan of Muscat.

Kitchin was in the C.R.O. yesterday and I mentioned to him that the Sultan seemed to have taken some slight umbrage over what had happened in Muscat. Kitchin told me that in fact he had been away from Muscat on tour when the Sultan arrived. It would seem that Allen, deputising for Kitchin, had very properly called himself on the Sultan and had invited him to lunch. The Sultan must have misunderstood the position and thought that Kitchin had sent Allen along when he could have come himself. This seems to explain the whole business satisfactorily and I am sending a copy of this letter to the Foreign Office accordingly, suggesting however that nothing should be said to the Sultan until we receive any comments that you may wish to make.

ENCLOSURES

FURTHER ACTION

Copy to C.M. Rose, Esq.,  
Foreign Office

*Yours ever*

(Signed) I. M. R. MACLENNAN

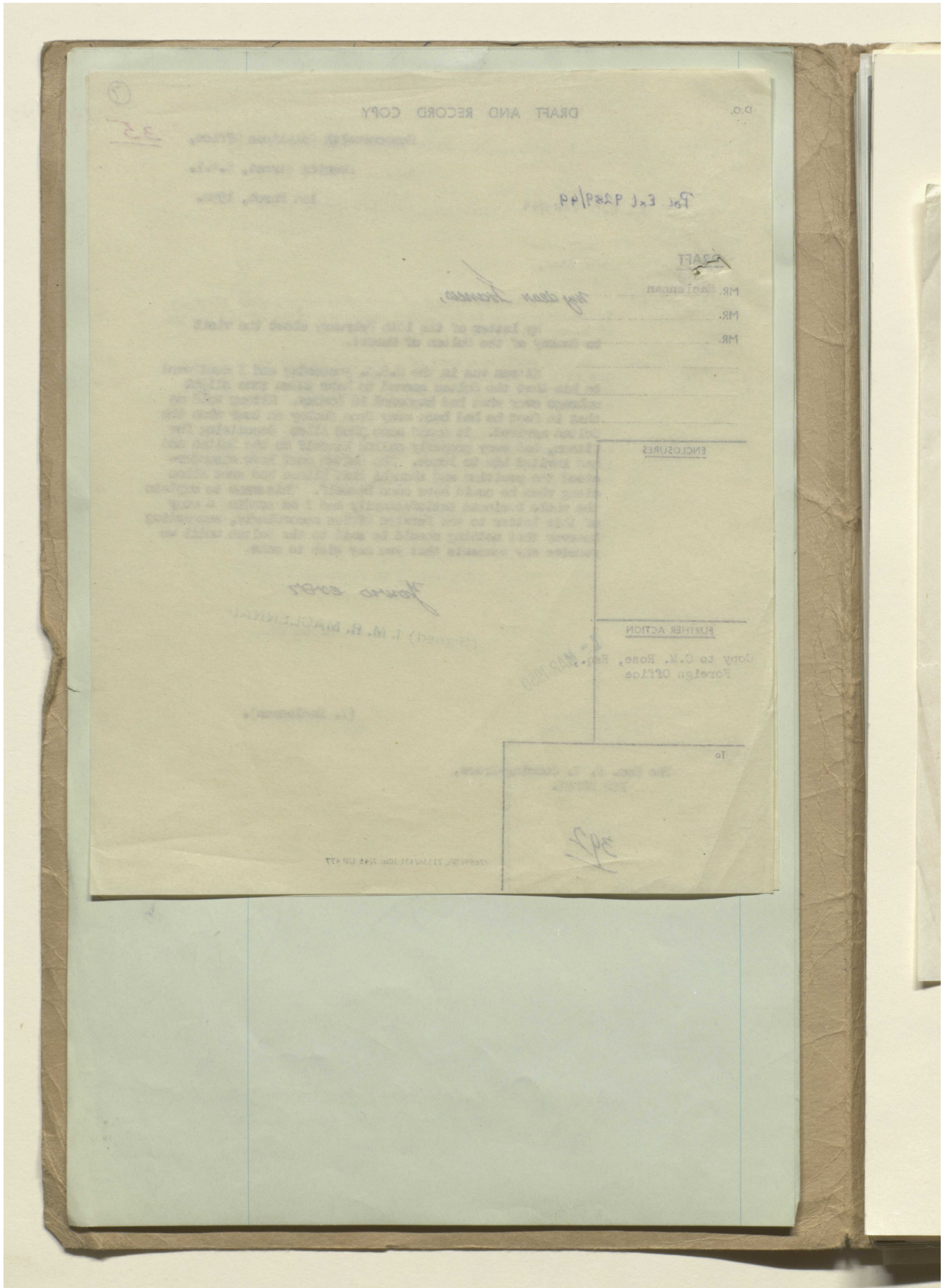
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To

The Hon. F. E. Canning-Bruce,  
NEW DELHI.

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*Fair Copy*

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Commonwealth Relations Office,

Downing Street

Ext. 20/21

10th February, 1950

*Dear Francis,*

I enclose a copy of a letter dated 6th January addressed to the Foreign Office by the Political Resident, Persian Gulf, and a copy of a letter dated 23rd December, 1949, from the British Consulate, Muscat, about the recent visit to India of the Sultan of Muscat. You will see that the Sultan appears to have taken some offence because the Deputy High Commissioner in Bombay did not call on him personally as was suggested in the Political Resident's telegram to you No. 5 of 10th September (passed to you as C.R.O. telegram No. 2712). There was no doubt good reason for this and I do not think we need take the Sultan's reaction too seriously, but it is just as well that we should take note for the future that the Sultan attaches importance to these niceties. If there is some explanation of what happened at Bombay on the Sultan's recent visit there which can suitably be passed on to him, so much the better.

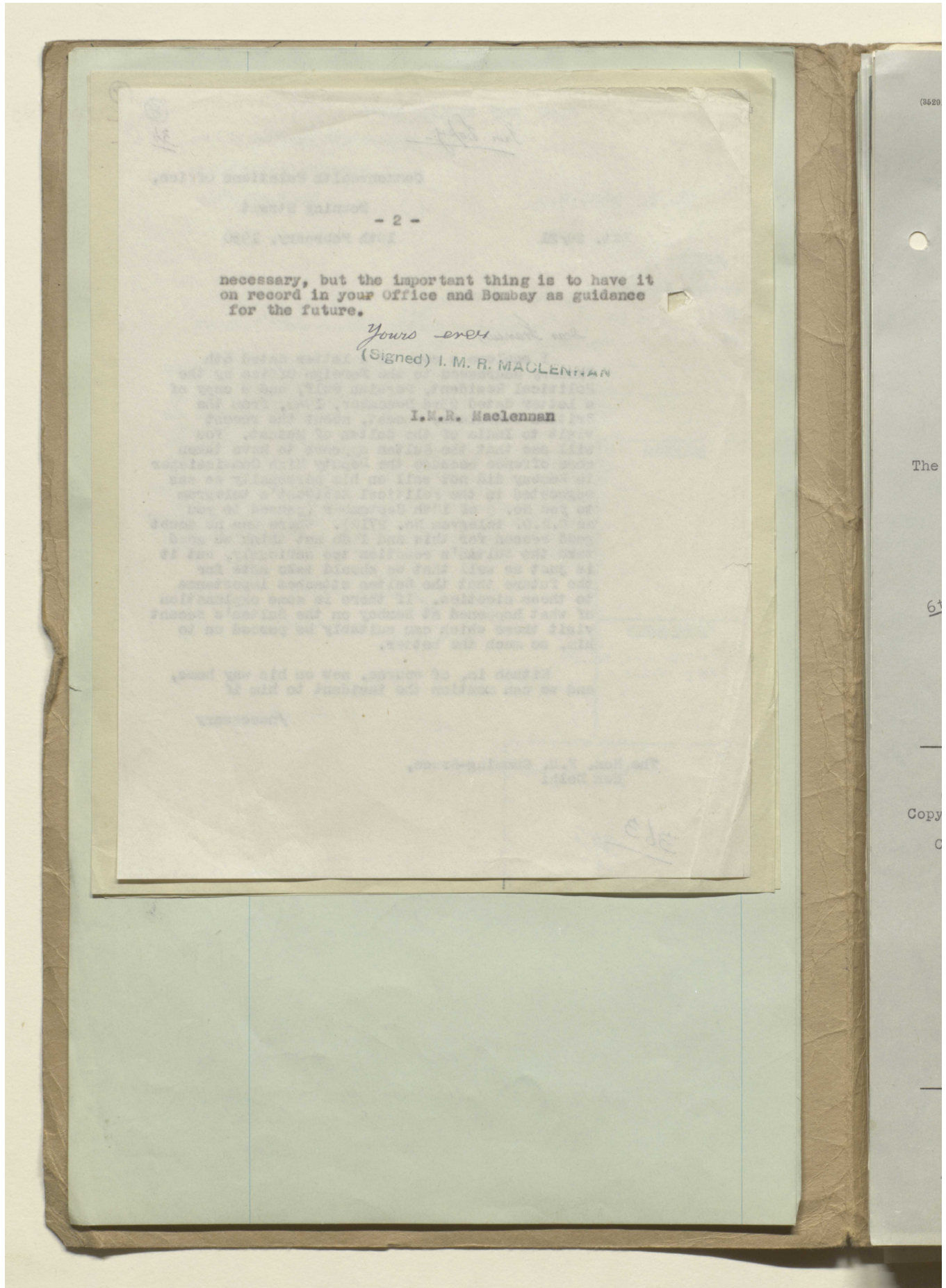
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/necessary

The Hon. F.E. Cuming-Bruce,  
New Delhi

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on record in your Office and Bombay as guidance  
for the future.

*Yours ever*  
(Signed) I. M. R. MACLENNAN

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C.R.O.

Mr. Crook 8/2/50

Miss Emery 9/2/50

*M. MacLennan* 9/2

For Mr. MacLennan

10 FEB 1950

Parly. U.S. of S.  
Secretary of State

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DRAFT

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New Delhi

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~~seems~~ to

Further action.  
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~~this stage.~~ The important thing is to have  
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guidance for the future.

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FOREIGN OFFICE, S.W.1.

(EA 1942/1) 1st February, 1950.

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Dear Crook,

I enclose copies of a letter dated 6th January from Sir Rupert Hay transmitting a copy of a letter of 23rd December 1949 from the British Consul in Muscat.

We do not know to what extent the Deputy High Commissioner in Bombay was informed of the Sultan's movements and the consideration due to him as the Head of an Independent State. We understand however that the Sultan was the guest of the Governments of India and Pakistan; and that in Karachi, at least, all arrangements for his reception and visit were made by the Pakistan Government. This was reported in Sir Laurence Grafftey Smith's Despatch No. 641 of 8th December 1949.

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Perhaps you could let me know if you have any comments which you would like us to send to Sir Rupert Hay.

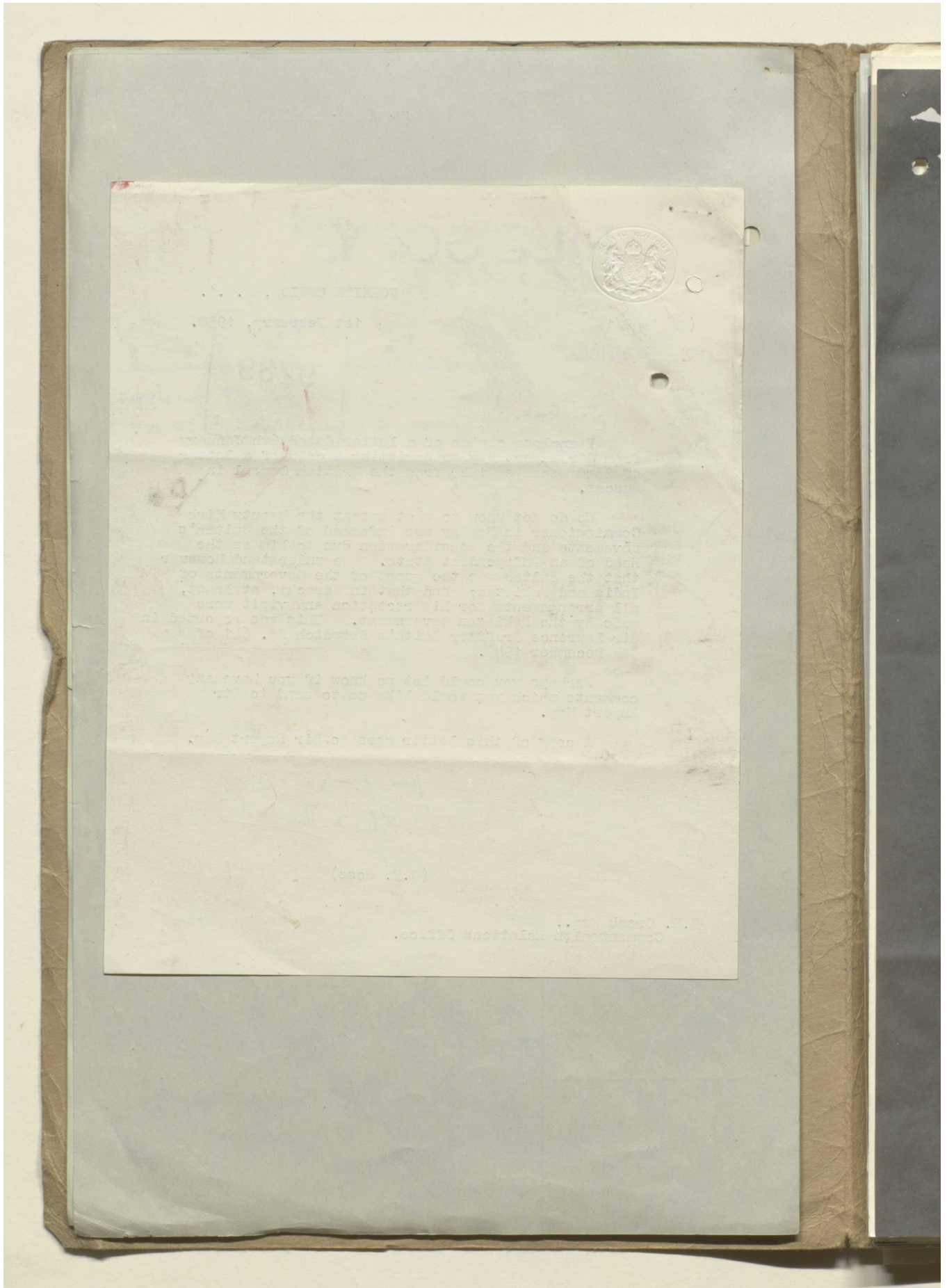
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Yours sincerely  
C.M. Rose

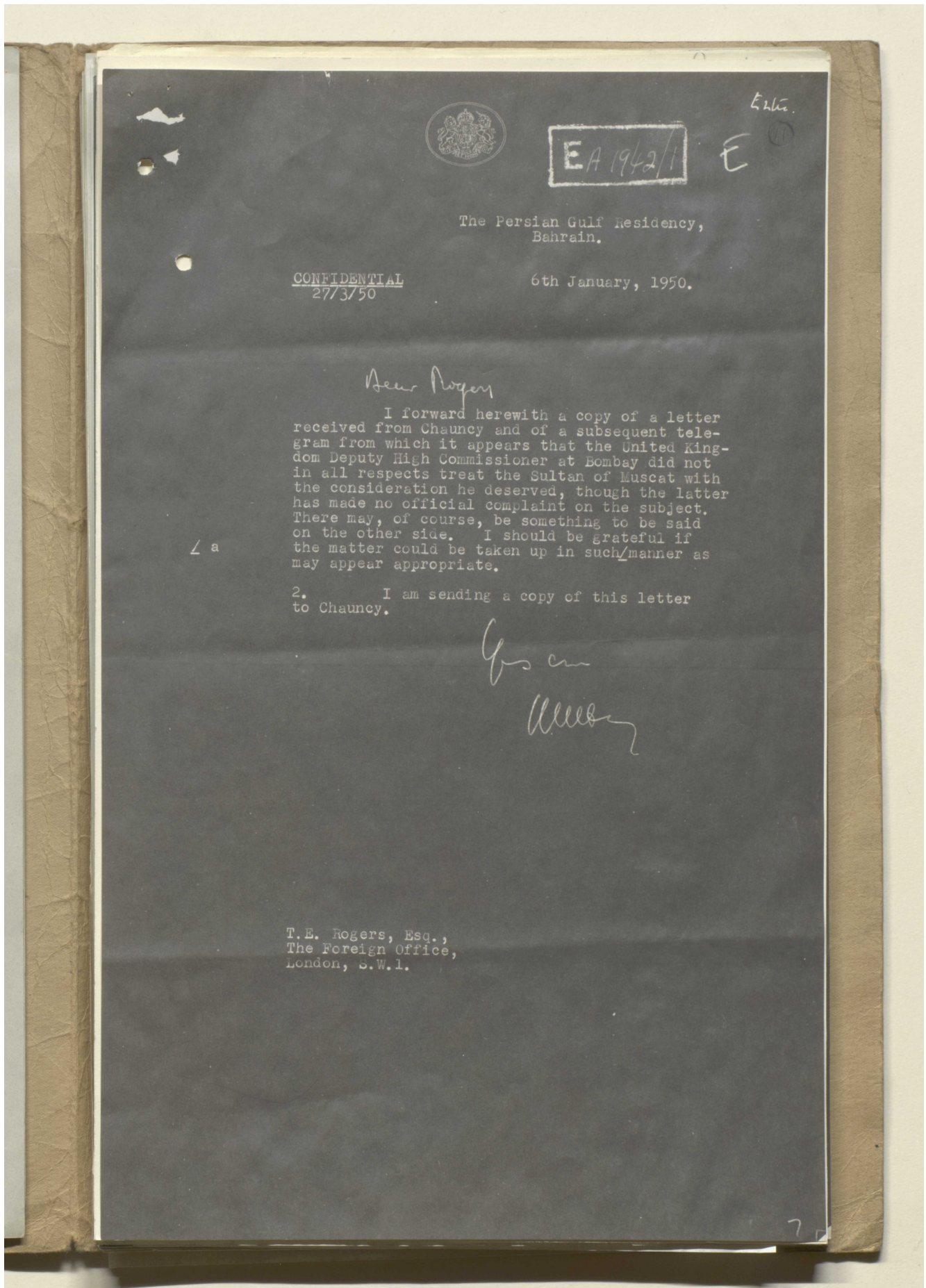
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K.R. Crook Esq.,  
Commonwealth Relations Office.

H.R. Crook  
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E.L.C.

The Persian Gulf Residency,  
Bahrain.

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6th January, 1950.

Dear Rogers

I forward herewith a copy of a letter received from Chauncy and of a subsequent telegram from which it appears that the United Kingdom Deputy High Commissioner at Bombay did not in all respects treat the Sultan of Muscat with the consideration he deserved, though the latter has made no official complaint on the subject. There may, of course, be something to be said on the other side. I should be grateful if the matter could be taken up in such manner as may appear appropriate.

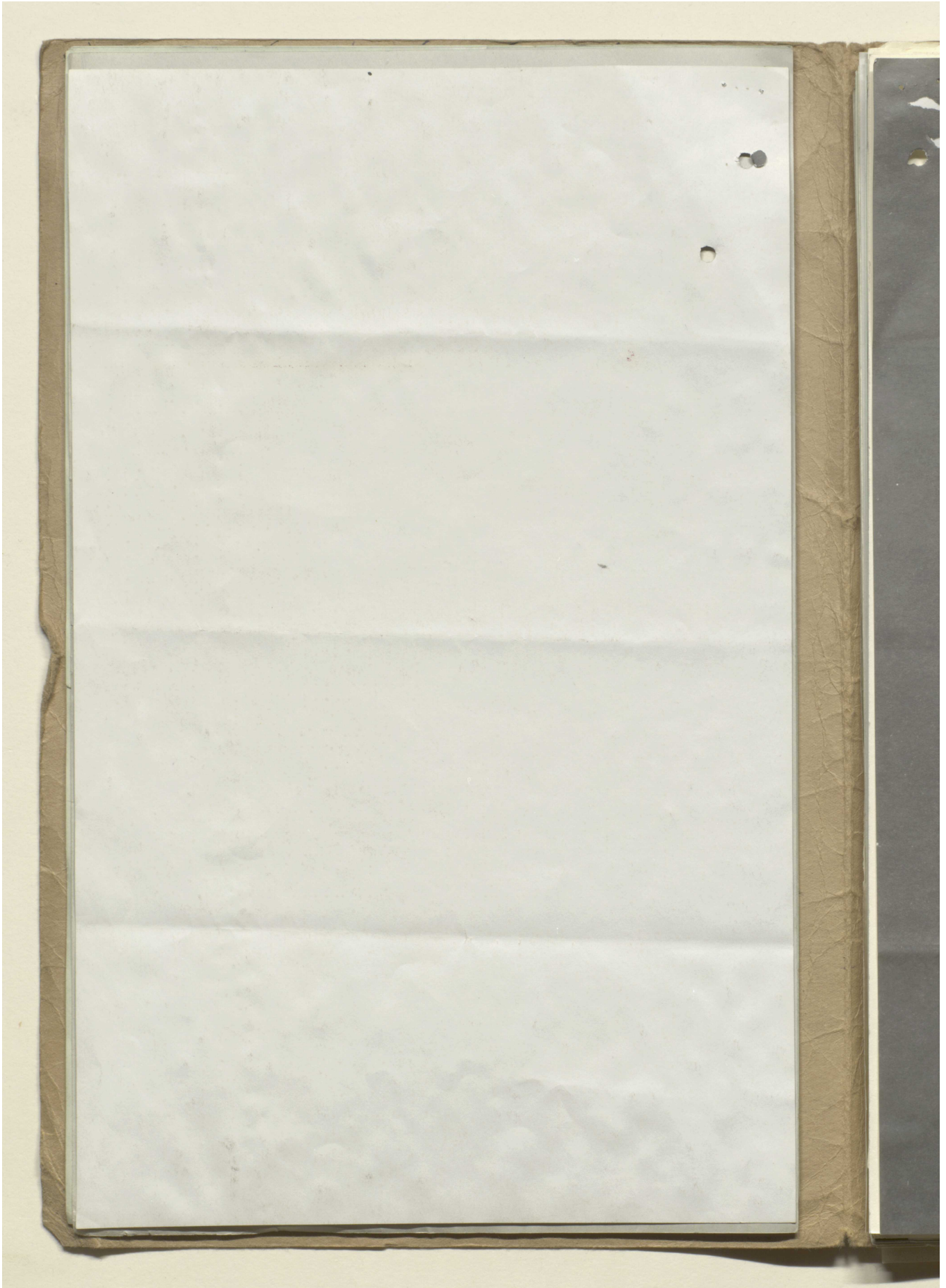
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2. I am sending a copy of this letter to Chauncy.

Yours ever  
Alley

T.E. Rogers, Esq.,  
The Foreign Office,  
London, S.W.1.

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COPY

The British Consulate,  
Muscat.

23rd December, 1949.

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His Highness' the Sultan's visit  
to India.

My dear Sir Rupert,

3. Please refer to your telegram No.5 to the United Kingdom High Commissioner, New Delhi dated the 10th September, 1949.

2. I understand from Woods-Ballard that when His Highness the Sultan reached Bombay a member of the Deputy United Kingdom High Commissioner's staff called upon His Highness and invited him to lunch. As the Deputy High Commissioner did not himself call upon His Highness, His Highness did not feel inclined to accept the invitation, which otherwise he would have done.

3. In view of your telegram under reference it seems curious that the Deputy United Kingdom High Commissioner did not himself call upon the Sultan.

4. I am informing you of this, for although His Highness both telegraphed from Bombay after his arrival, and informed me personally on his return here, that he enjoyed his visit throughout and much appreciated all arrangements made, he appears to have seen fit to inform Woods-Ballard about this with the intention that he should mention it to me.

5. I have taken no other action about it nor raised it with His Highness or made any comment to Woods-Ballard, except to ask him to let me know any other remarks or descriptions of his visit, good or bad, which His Highness may impart, as it will be of great use to us upon future occasions, so that we may know what pleases, and what to avoid.

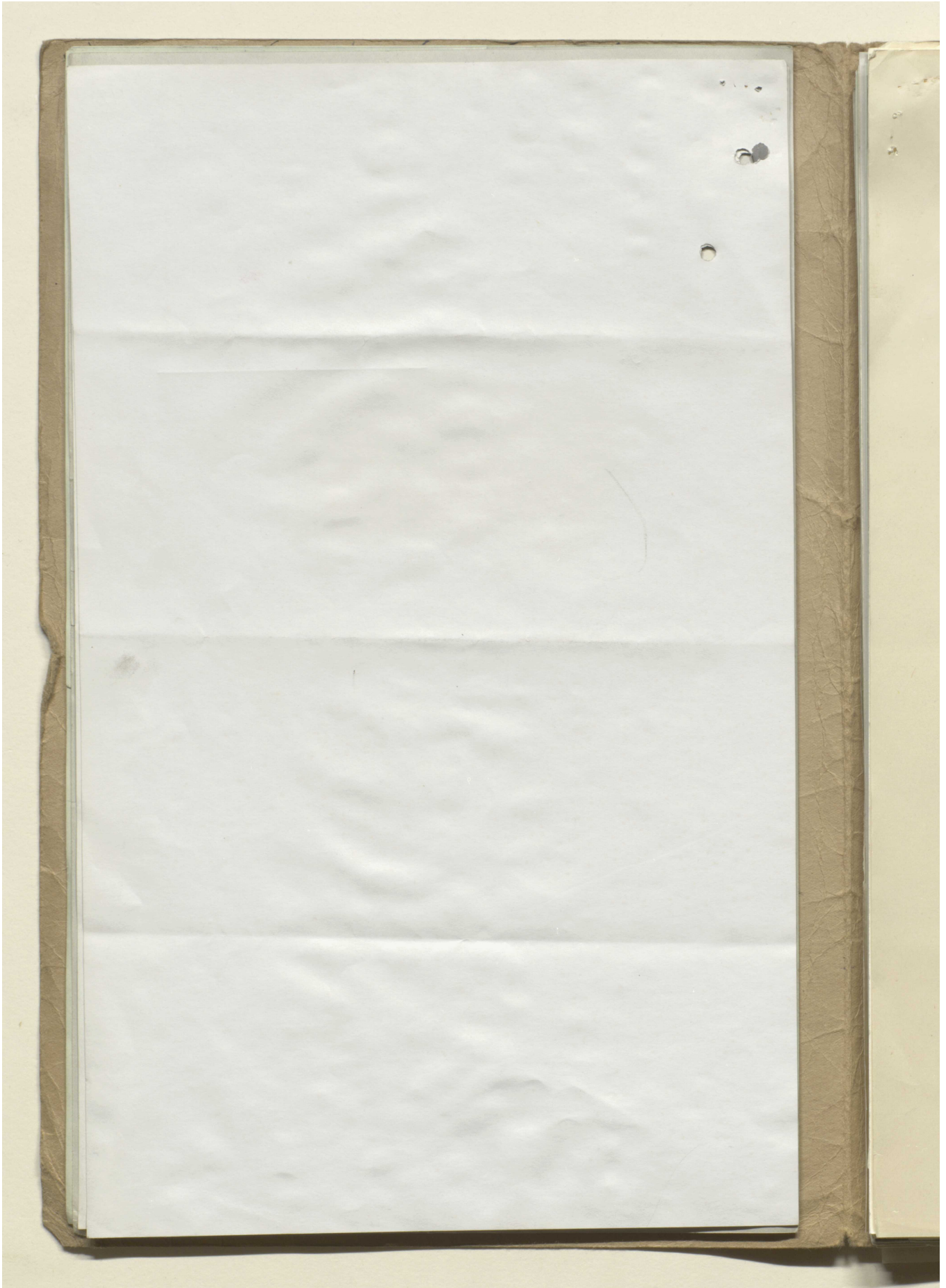
6. The only other thing that His Highness has so far remarked upon is the sad accident to the Pakistan Airways machine in which 26 passengers including two high military officers were killed. He did not say it, but he obviously remembered that it had been suggested that he should fly from Bombay in one of these machines.

Yours sincerely,

(Sgd.) F.C.L. Chauncy.

His Excellency Sir Rupert Hay, K.C.I.E., C.S.I.,  
Political Resident in the Persian Gulf,  
Bahrain.





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No. 9  
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PERSIAN GULF RESIDENCY,

BAHRAIN.

28th January, 1950.

Sir,

I have the honour to forward herewith a copy of a despatch I have received from the Political Agent, Muscat on the subject of the visit of the Sultan to India and Pakistan.

During my recent visit to Muscat I asked the Sultan whether he had had any official discussions in New Delhi or Karachi and he indicated that he had had some kind of official discussions in New Delhi, at which it was agreed that negotiations for the new Treaty between Muscat and India should be undertaken to replace the Treaty of Commerce and Navigation of 1939 when it expires, but that he had had no such discussions in Karachi. He did, however, say that one or two persons had spoken to him informally about Gwadar. I hope shortly to address you separately about both the Treaty position and Gwadar. Apparently the question of consular representation was not raised either at New Delhi or Karachi.

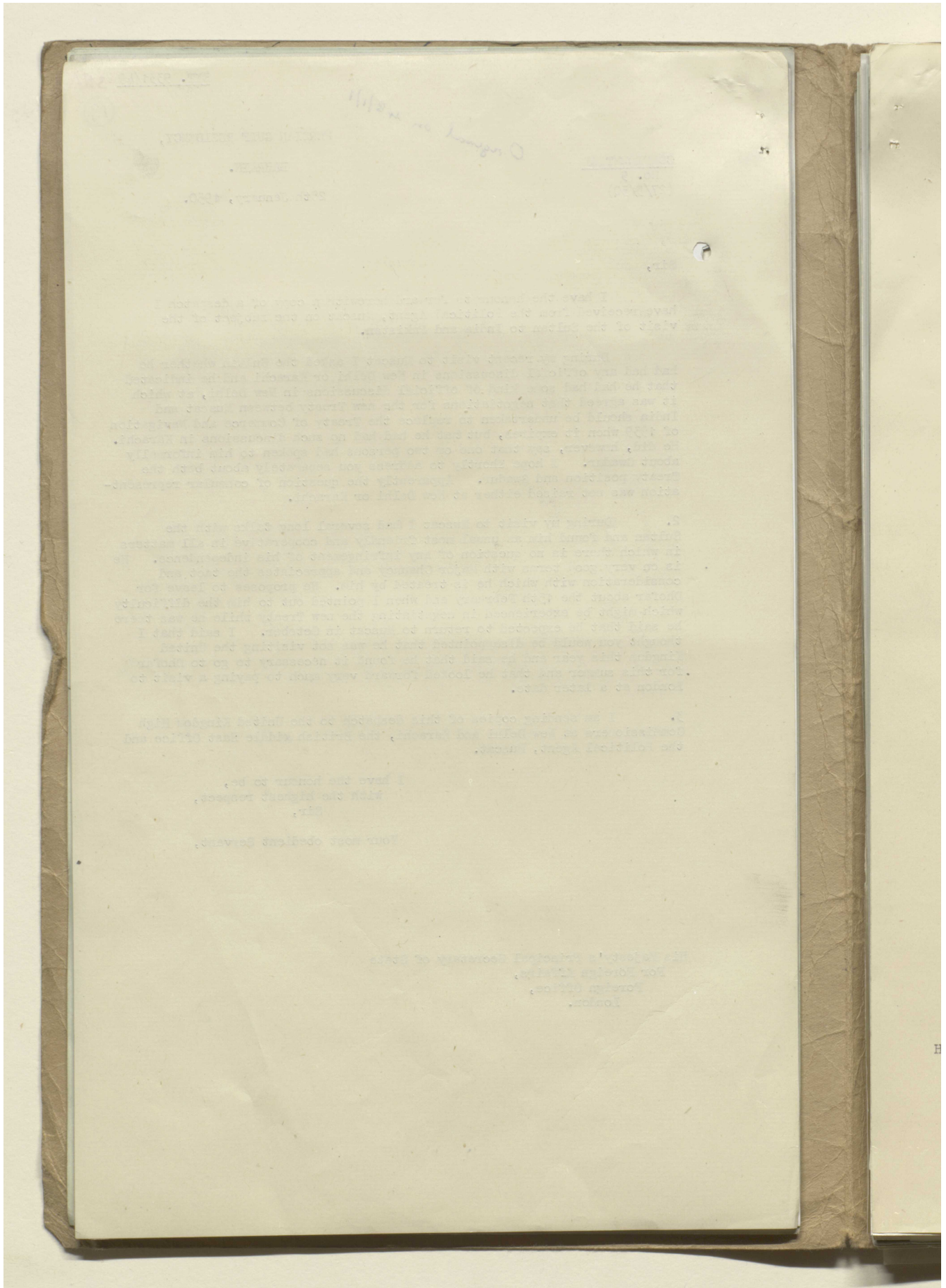
2. During my visit to Muscat I had several long talks with the Sultan and found him as usual most friendly and cooperative in all matters in which there is no question of any infringement of his independence. He is on very good terms with Major Chauncy and appreciates the tact and consideration with which he is treated by him. He proposes to leave for Dhofar about the 15th February and when I pointed out to him the difficulty which might be experienced in negotiating the new Treaty while he was there he said that he expected to return to Muscat in October. I said that I thought you would be disappointed that he was not visiting the United Kingdom this year and he said that he found it necessary to go to Dhofar for this summer and that he looked forward very much to paying a visit to London at a later date.

3. I am sending copies of this despatch to the United Kingdom High Commissioners at New Delhi and Karachi, the British Middle East Office and the Political Agent, Muscat.

I have the honour to be,  
with the highest respect,  
Sir,

Your most obedient Servant,

His Majesty's Principal Secretary of State  
For Foreign Affairs,  
Foreign Office,  
London.



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COPY

The British Consulate,  
Muscat.

7/8/27/50

January 23, 1950.

Visit of the Sultan of Muscat and Oman to India  
and Pakistan.

Sir,

I have the honour to state that the Sultan of Muscat returned from India on the 16th December, 1949.

In a recent interview he indicated that he was very pleased with his visits to India and Pakistan, and the treatment accorded to him everywhere.

He mentioned only that in New Delhi he was impressed by the great amount of security precautions taken in Government House, in contrast to the days of British Viceroy's, and of Pakistan he merely appeared relieved that he had not travelled by Pakistan Airways as had been proposed by the Pakistan Government, since a machine with twenty six passengers including three high military officers (Pakistan) had crashed with all lives lost. He had made his own arrangements through Tata Company.

I gathered, however, from His Minister for Foreign Affairs that he had not taken up the Treaty question but his idea is that the present Treaty shall run out, and then if Pakistan and India like they can negotiate separate Treaties and the outcome of such treaties will decide the question of representation.

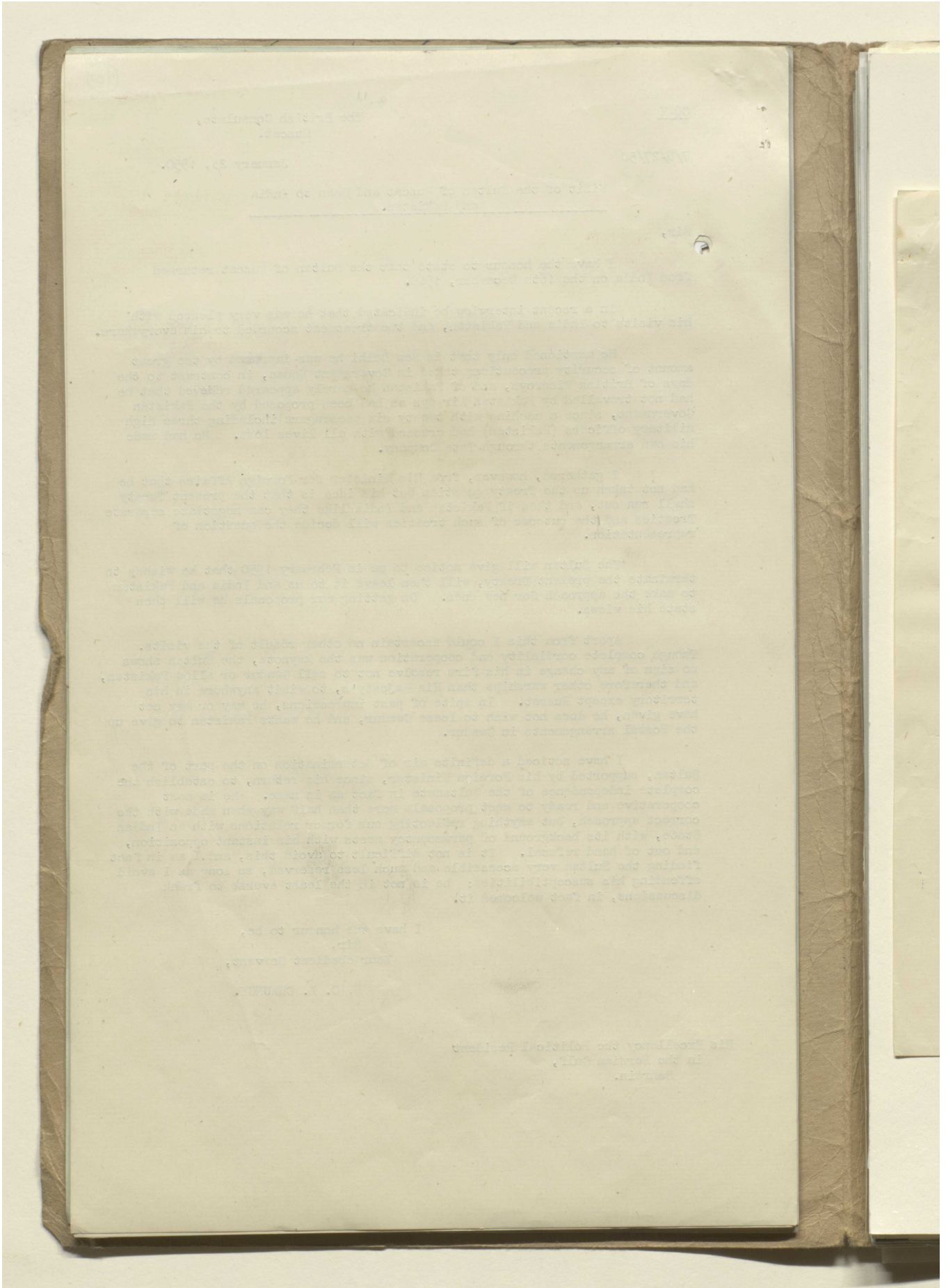
The Sultan will give notice to me in February 1950 that he wishes to terminate the present Treaty, will then leave it to us and India and Pakistan to make the approach for new ones. On getting our proposals he will then state his views.

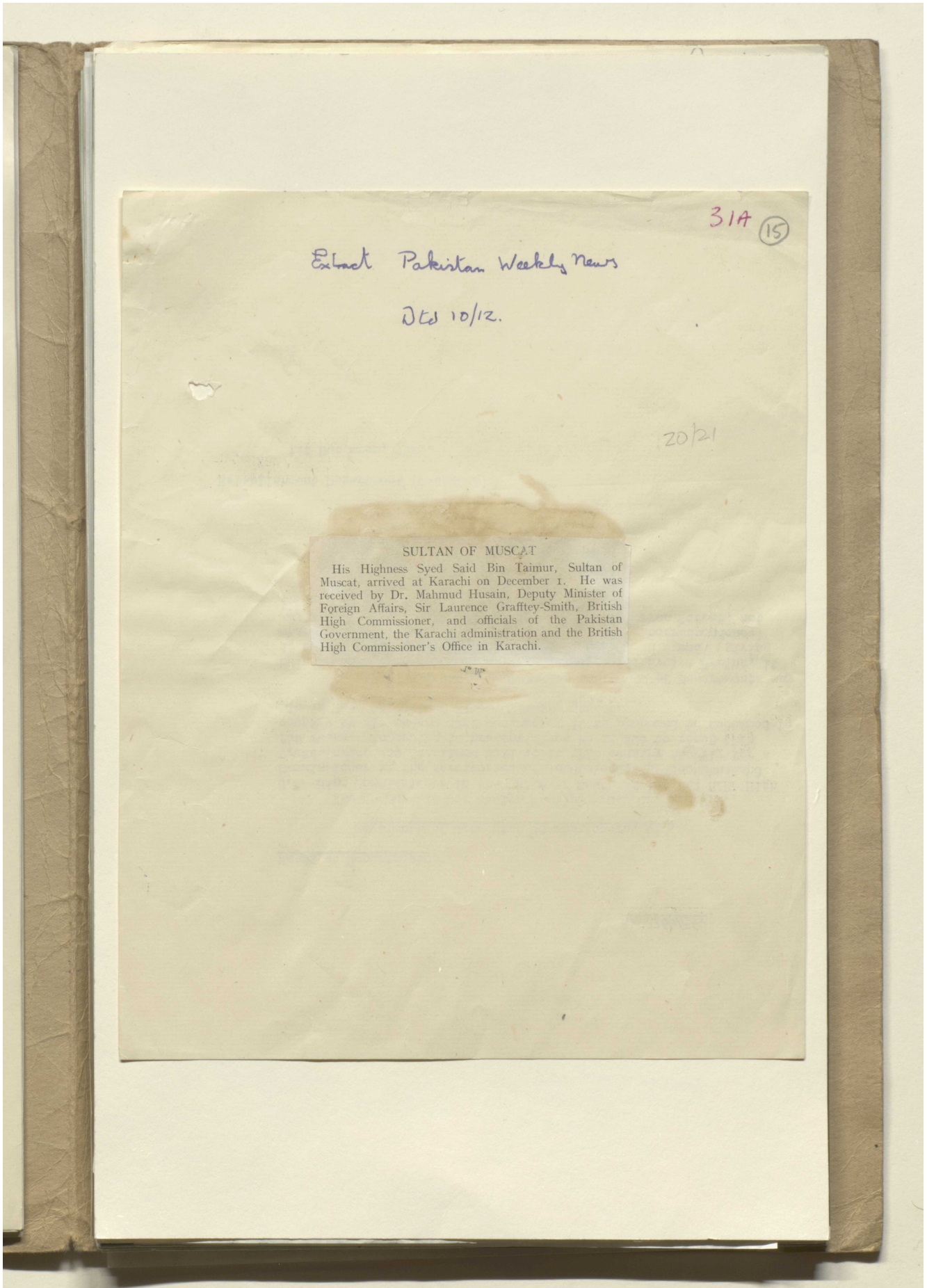
Apart from this I could ascertain no other result of the visits. Though complete cordiality and cooperation was the keynote, the Sultan shows no sign of any change in his firm resolve not to sell Gwadar or allow Pakistan, and therefore other warships than His Majesty's, to visit anywhere in his territory except Muscat. In spite of past impressions, he may or may not have given, he does not wish to lease Gwadar, and he wants Pakistan to give up the Postal arrangements in Gwadar.

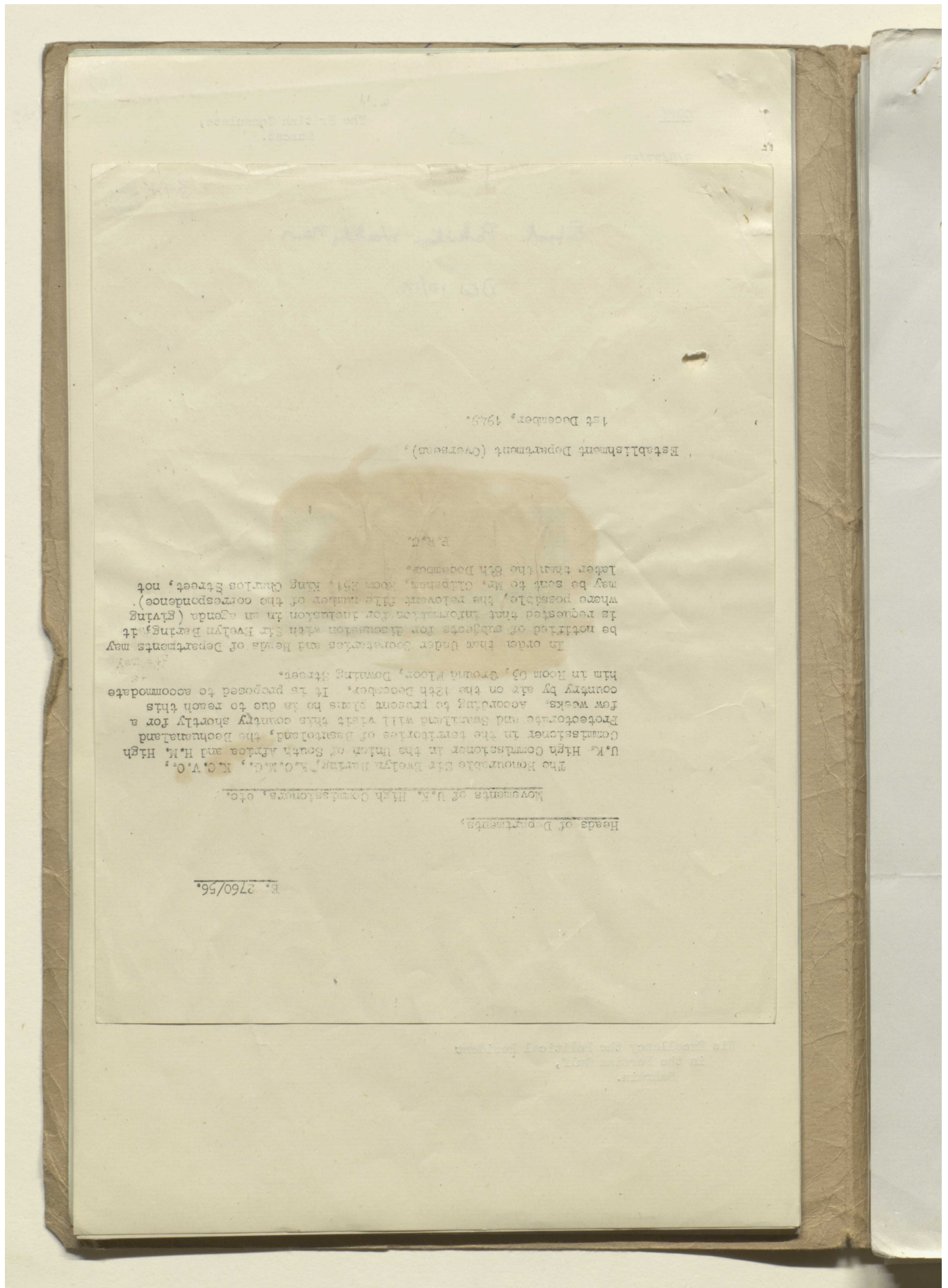
I have noticed a definite air of determination on the part of the Sultan, supported by his Foreign Minister, since his return, to establish the complete independence of the Sultanate in fact as in name. He is most cooperative and ready to meet proposals more than half way when made with the correct approach, but anything reflecting our former relations with an Indian State, with its background of paramountcy meets with his instant opposition, and out of hand refusal. It is not difficult to avoid this, and I am in fact finding the Sultan very accessible and much less reserved, so long as I avoid offending his susceptibilities: he is not in the least averse to frank discussions, in fact welcomes it.

I have the honour to be,  
Sir,  
Your obedient Servant,  
F. C. L. CHAUNCEY.

His Excellency the Political Resident  
in the Persian Gulf,  
Bahrain.







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OFFICE OF THE HIGH COMMISSIONER  
FOR THE UNITED KINGDOM  
CHAMBER OF COMMERCE BUILDING  
WOOD STREET  
KARACHI (16)

8th December, 1949.

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Sir,

I have the honour to transmit to you here-  
with a copy of the programme of the recent visit to  
Karachi of His Highness the Sultan of Muscat,  
from December 1st to December 4th, 1949.

2. I ascertained from the Ministry of Foreign  
Affairs that it was not the Pakistan Government's  
intention to invite foreign or Commonwealth  
representatives to be present at the Airport when  
His Highness arrived, and you will observe that the  
official programme makes no provision for their  
attendance. It seemed to me improper, however, that  
I should not be enabled to participate in this  
ceremony, and arrangements were made accordingly.

3. Both the Governor General, with whom His  
Highness stayed while in Karachi, and the Prime  
Minister were briefed to discuss with His Highness  
the question of Gwadur; but I was informed today  
by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs that nothing has  
yet been heard there of the outcome of these con-  
versations.

4. I am sending a copy of this despatch and  
enclosure to Sir Rupert Hay.

I have the honour to be,  
With the highest respect,  
Sir,  
Your most obedient, humble Servant,

*L. Gratton Smith*

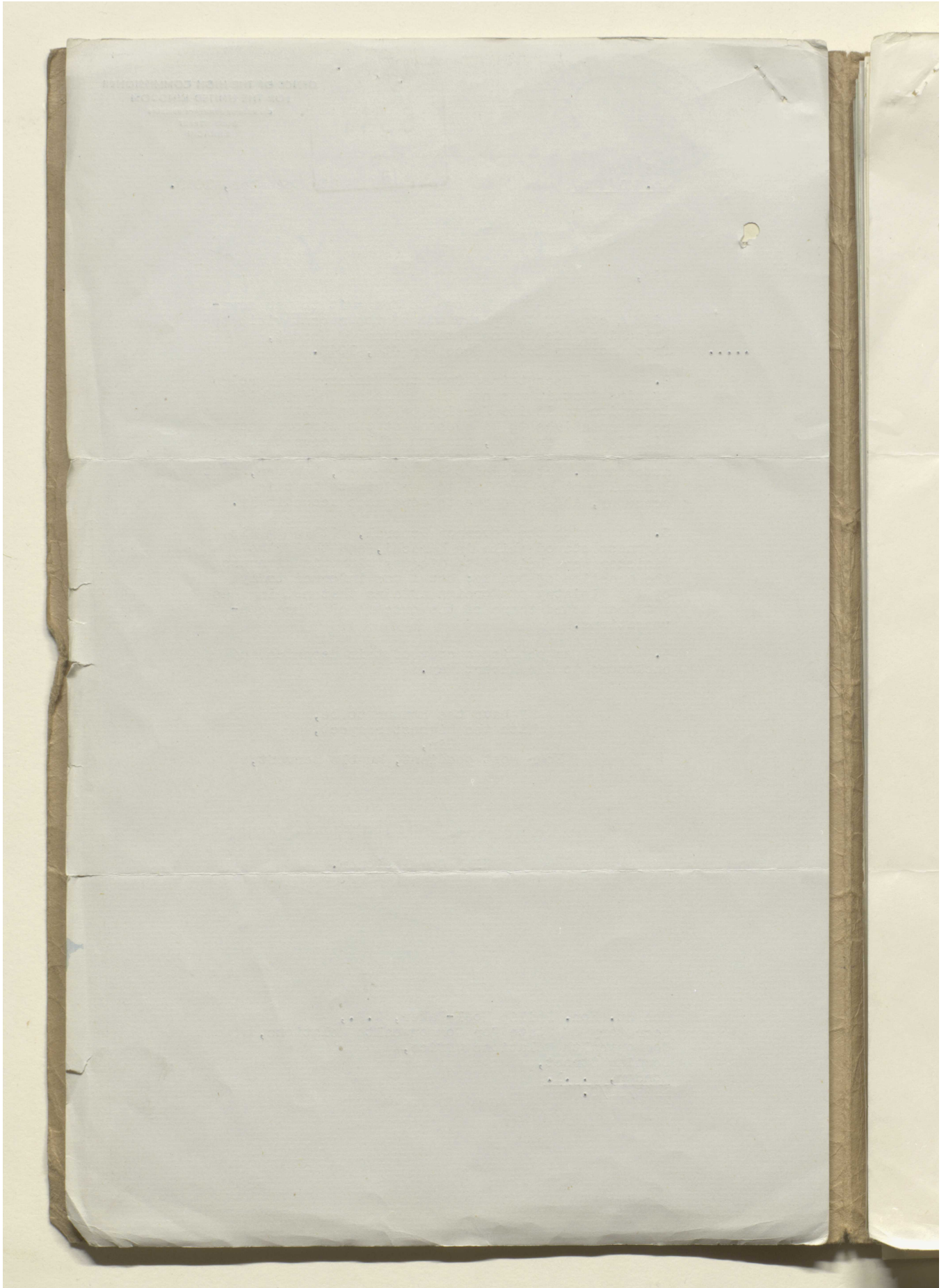
High Commissioner.

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19 DEC 1949  
L. Gratton Smith

The Rt. Hon. Philip Noel-Baker, M.P.,  
Secretary of State for Commonwealth Relations,  
Commonwealth Relations Office,  
Downing Street,  
London, S.W.1.  
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VISIT OF HIS HIGHNESS SIR SYED SAID BIN TAIMUR  
GCIE.,  
THE SULTAN OF MUSCAT

1st - 4th December, 1949

1st December

His Highness will reach Karachi Airport by an Air India plane at 1300 hours.

Immediately the Sultan comes out of the plane a Royal Salute of 21 guns will be fired.

He will be received by the Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs, Chief of Protocol, Military Secretary to the Governor-General, Administrator of Karachi.

The Sultan will then inspect the Guard of Honour and then leave the Airport for the Government House escorted by motor cyclists. The route will be lined up by policemen.

Arrival at G.G.'s House.

His Highness will have a private lunch with His Excellency the Governor-General.

Afternoon.

4.30 p.m. - visit to Quaid-i-Azam's grave  
The Sultan will be escorted by police motor cyclists.  
(Arrangements to be made by G.G.'s House)  
(Wreath to be arranged by Protocol Branch)

5.30 p.m. - visit to West Wharf, Keamari etc.  
(Launch to be arranged by Ministry of Defence)

8.30 p.m. - State Banquet.

2nd December.

10 a.m. - visit to Naval Installations.

Friday prayers and the private lunch with the Governor General at 2 p.m.

4.30 p.m. - Reception at the Government House.

8.30 p.m. - Private dinner with His Excellency the Governor-General and then visit to the Exhibition.

3rd December

Forenoon

Cricket Match or visit to Town.

1.30 p.m. - Lunch with Hon'ble the Prime Minister.

5 p.m. - Visit to the Industrial Town

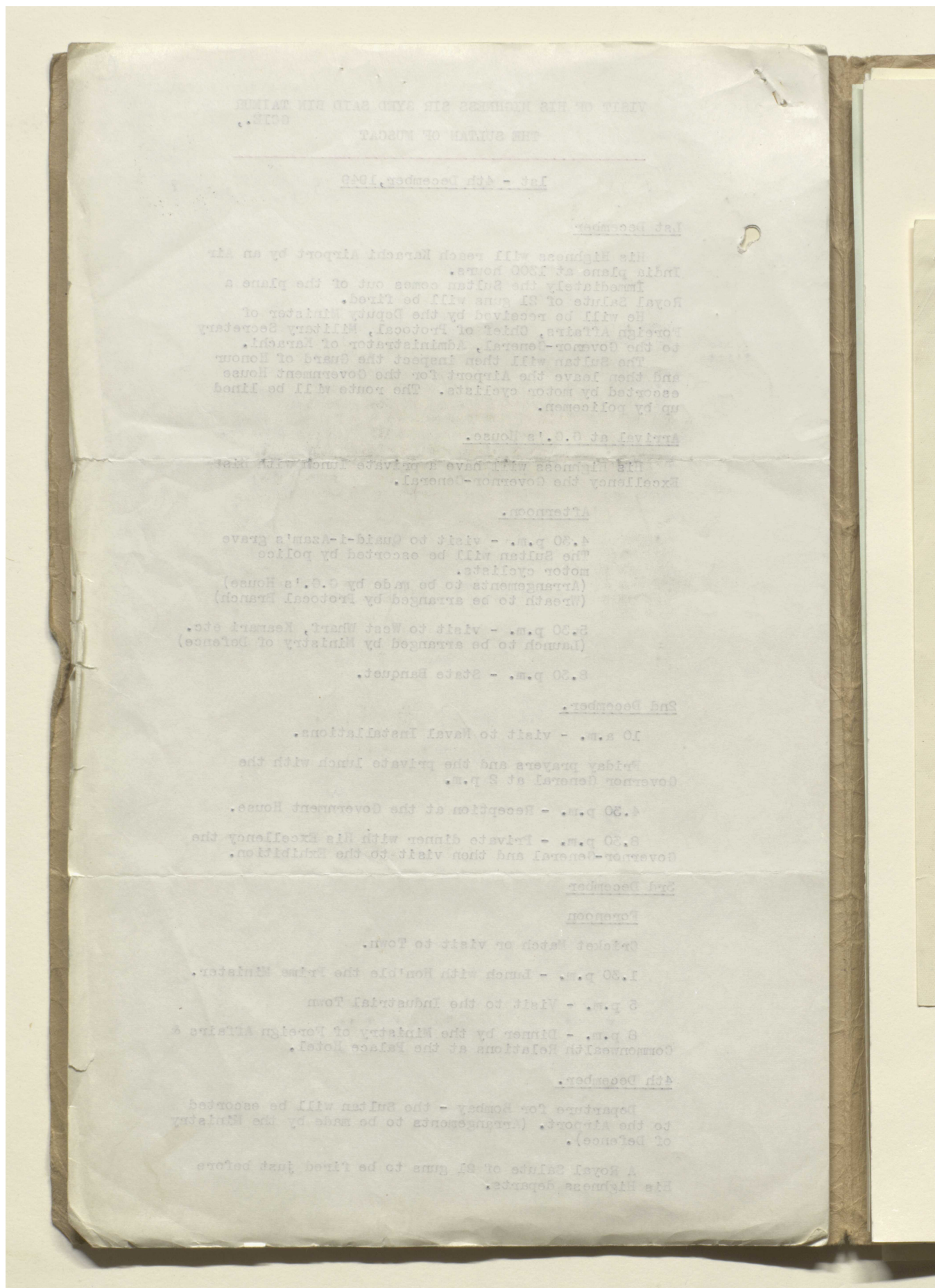
8 p.m. - Dinner by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs & Commonwealth Relations at the Palace Hotel.

4th December.

Departure for Bombay - the Sultan will be escorted to the Airport. (Arrangements to be made by the Ministry of Defence).

A Royal Salute of 21 guns to be fired just before His Highness departs.

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TELEGRAM FOR DESPATCH

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FOREIGN OFFICE,  
DOWNING STREET.

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Emergency	Top Secret
Immediate	Secret
Priority	Confidential
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18/11 1949

Herewith copy of telegram No. 542  
 from Bahrain to FO  
 for repetition <sup>code</sup> \*in a one-time cypher system\* to Karachi

(\* Delete when inapplicable)

*Signed*

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Colonial Office,  
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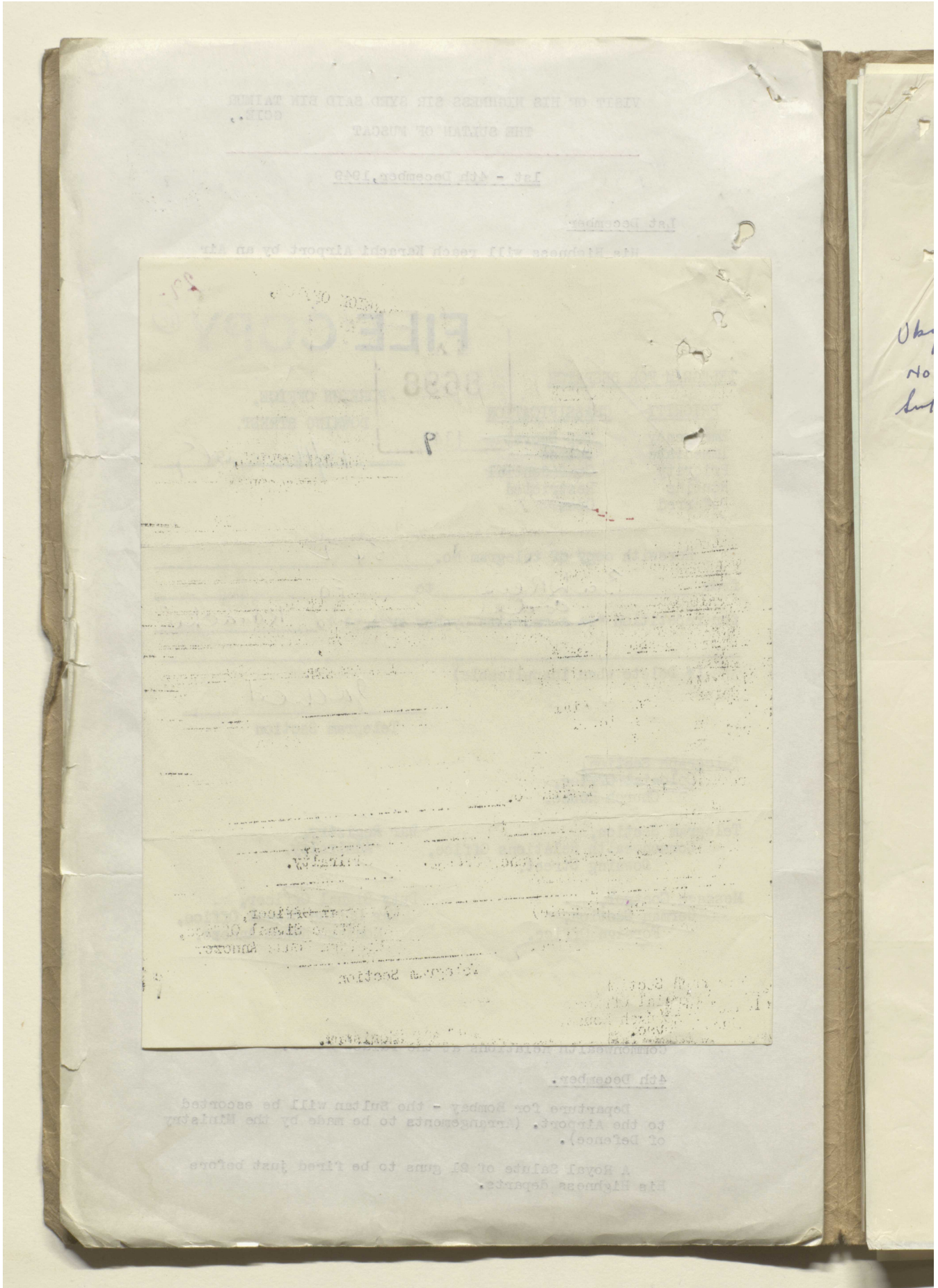
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German Section,  
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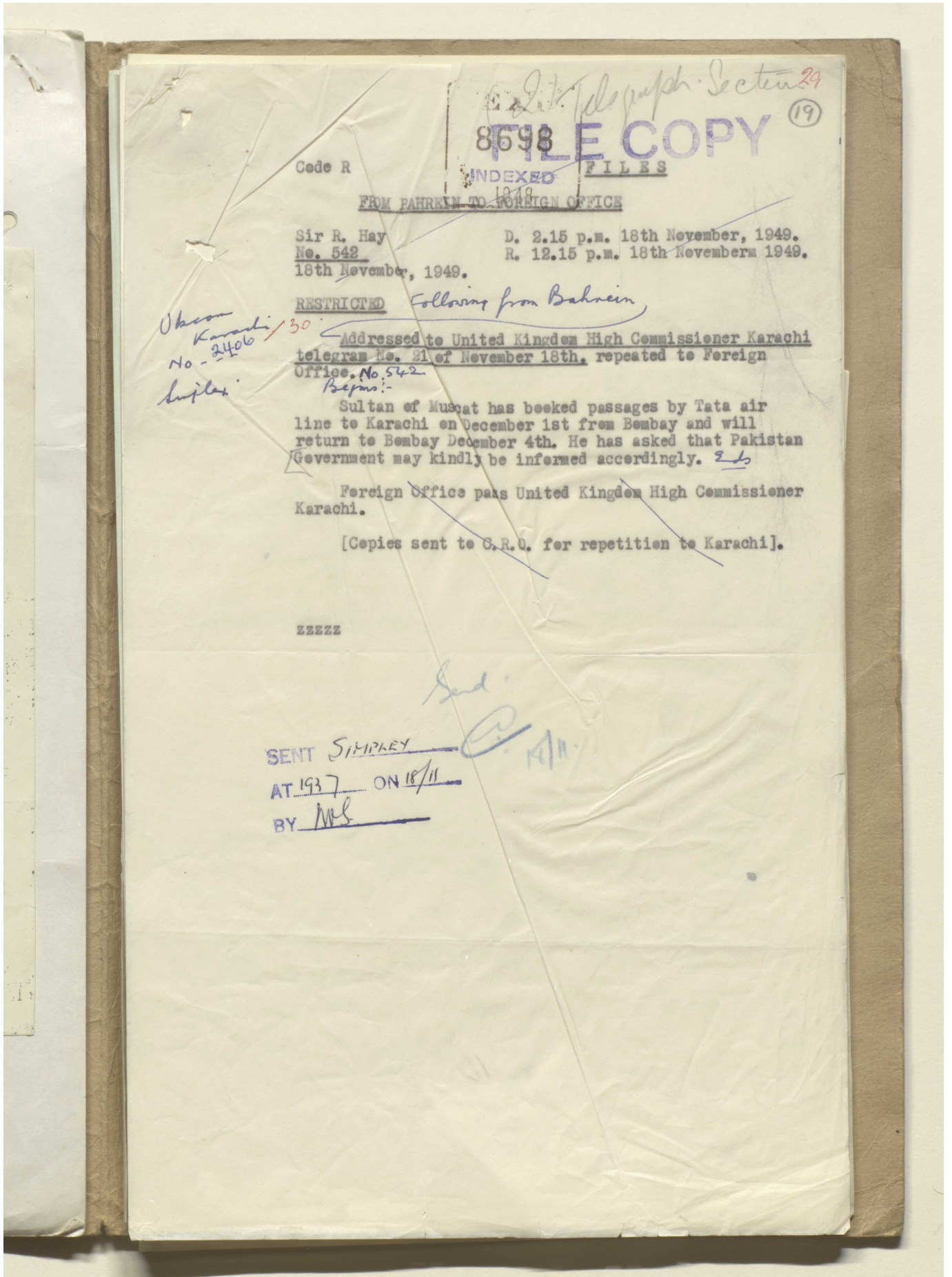
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War Office Signal Office,  
Montagu House Annexe.~~

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FROM BAHRAIN TO FOREIGN OFFICE

Sir R. Hay  
No. 542  
18th November, 1949.

D. 2.15 p.m. 18th November, 1949.  
R. 12.15 p.m. 18th November 1949.

RESTRICTED Following from Bahrain

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Karachi  
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Addressed to United Kingdom High Commissioner Karachi  
telegram No. 51 of November 18th, repeated to Foreign  
Office, No. 542

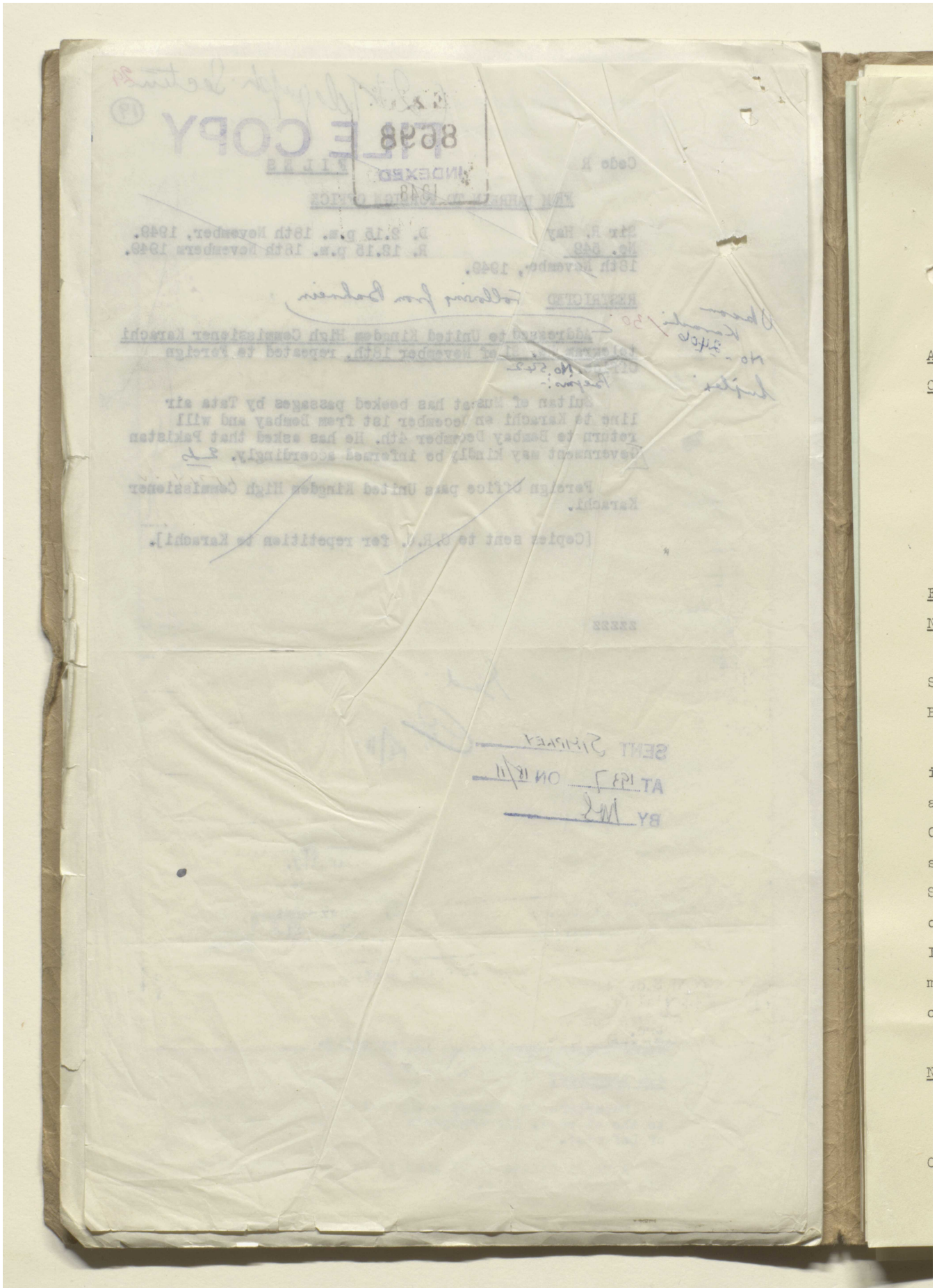
Befm:-  
Sultan of Muscat has booked passages by Tata air  
line to Karachi on December 1st from Bombay and will  
return to Bombay December 4th. He has asked that Pakistan  
Government may kindly be informed accordingly. 2/2

Foreign Office pass United Kingdom High Commissioner  
Karachi.

[Copies sent to G.R.O. for repetition to Karachi].

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ALLOTTED TO SOUTH ASIAN DEPARTMENT

CYPHER(SIMPLEX)

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1949

FROM: U. K. HIGH COMMISSIONER IN INDIA

TO: BAHREIN

RPTD. TO: COMMONWEALTH RELATIONS OFFICE

D. NEW DELHI, 13.30 hours, 18th November, 1949.

R. 08.30 hours, 18th November, 1949.

EMERGENCY

No. X1965

Addressed to Bahrein No. X8, repeated to Secretary of State for Commonwealth Relations No. X1965 (C.R.O. please pass to Bahrein).

Foreign Office telegram No. 691 to you. Sultan arrives in Delhi this morning and leaves on Monday. I have been awaiting a communication from you on the lines of paragraph 3 of Foreign Office telegram under reference. Please indicate whether you are sending a separate message or whether you wish me to speak to the Sultan on the lines of the Foreign Office telegram under reference or to deliver its substance to the Sultan as a message from you. In the latter event, I would, subject to your views, begin the message with a suitably transposed version of the first two sentences of your telegram MA 215 to the Foreign Office.

Note by C.R.O.

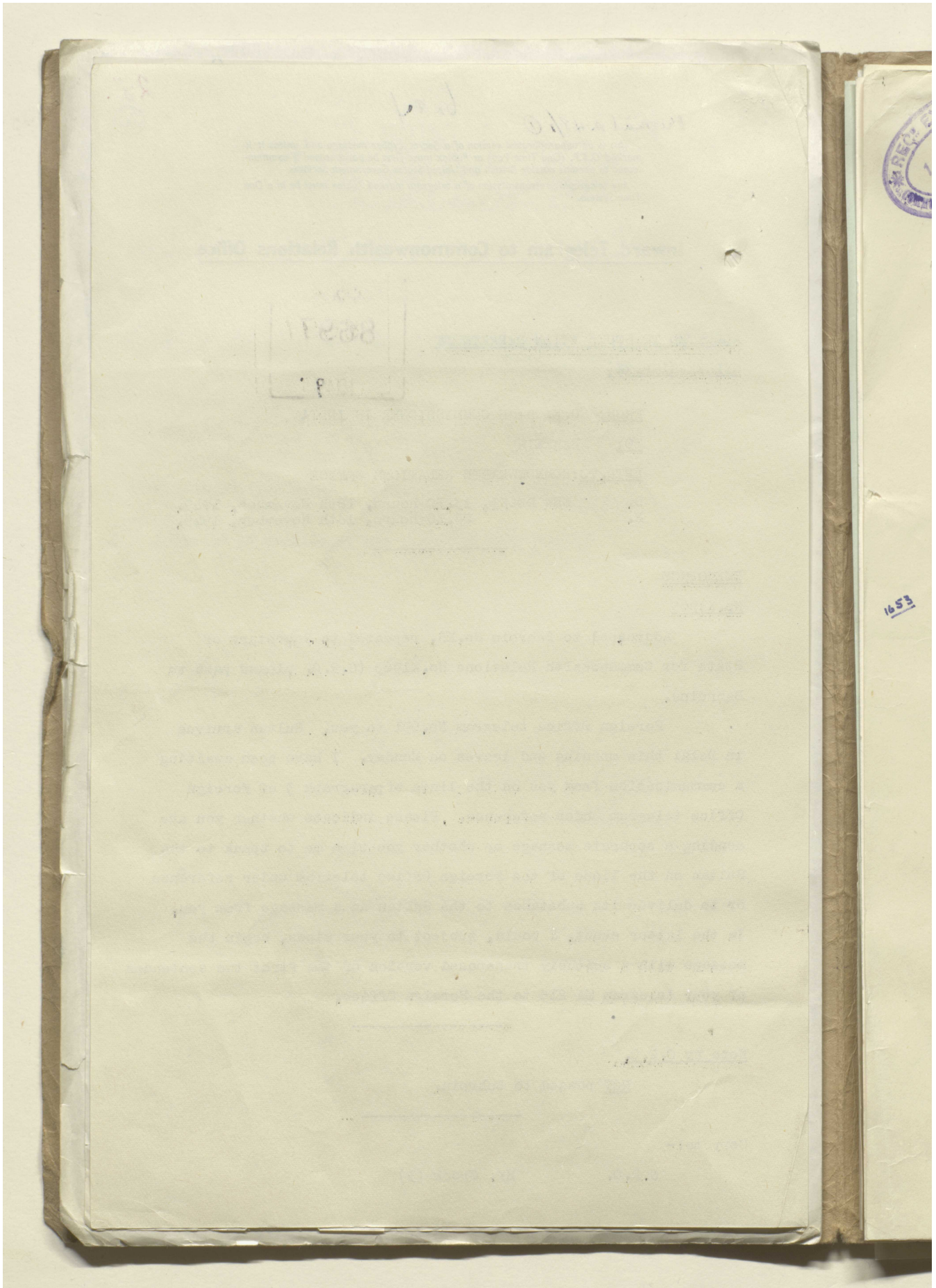
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Copy to:-

C.R.O.

Mr. Crook (3)





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CYPHER (O.T.P.)

D.II ✓

FROM: U.K. HIGH COMMISSIONER IN INDIA

TO: COMMONWEALTH RELATIONS OFFICE

REPTD TO: BAHREIN  
DEPUTY U.K. HIGH COMMISSIONER IN BOMBAY

D. New Delhi, 13.35 hours, 16th November, 1949  
R. 08.47 hours, 16th November, 1949  
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IMMEDIATE

No. X1945 SECRET

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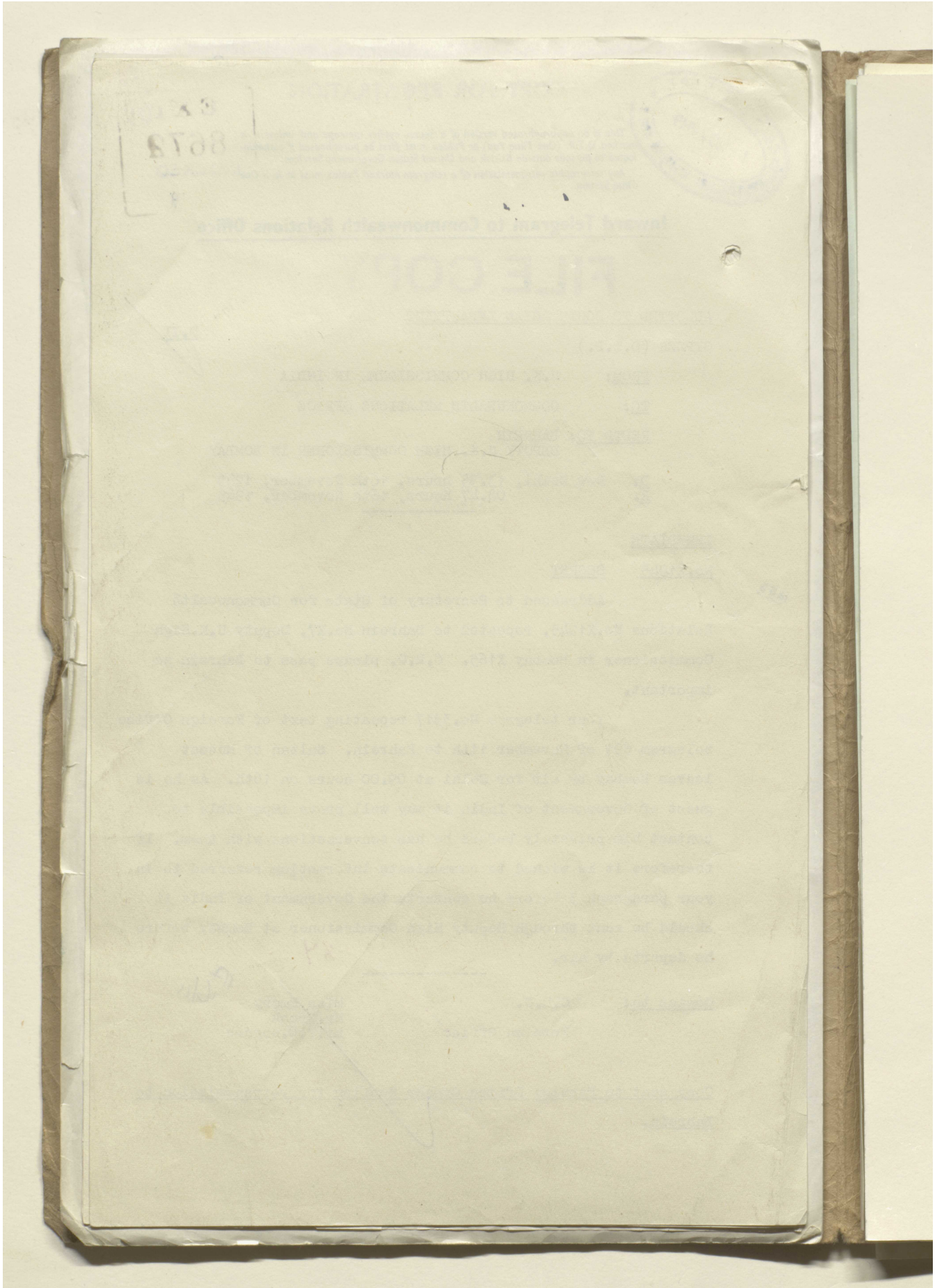
Addressed to Secretary of State for Commonwealth Relations No. X1945, repeated to Bahrein No. X7, Deputy U.K. High Commissioner in Bombay X165. C.R.O. please pass to Bahrein as important.

Your telegram No. 3317 repeating text of Foreign Office telegram 691 of November 11th to Bahrein. Sultan of Muscat leaves Bombay by air for Delhi at 09.00 hours on 18th. As he is guest of Government of India it may well prove impossible to contact him privately before he has conversations with them. If therefore it is wished to communicate information referred to in your paragraph 3 before he contacts the Government of India it should be sent through Deputy High Commissioner at Bombay before he departs by air.

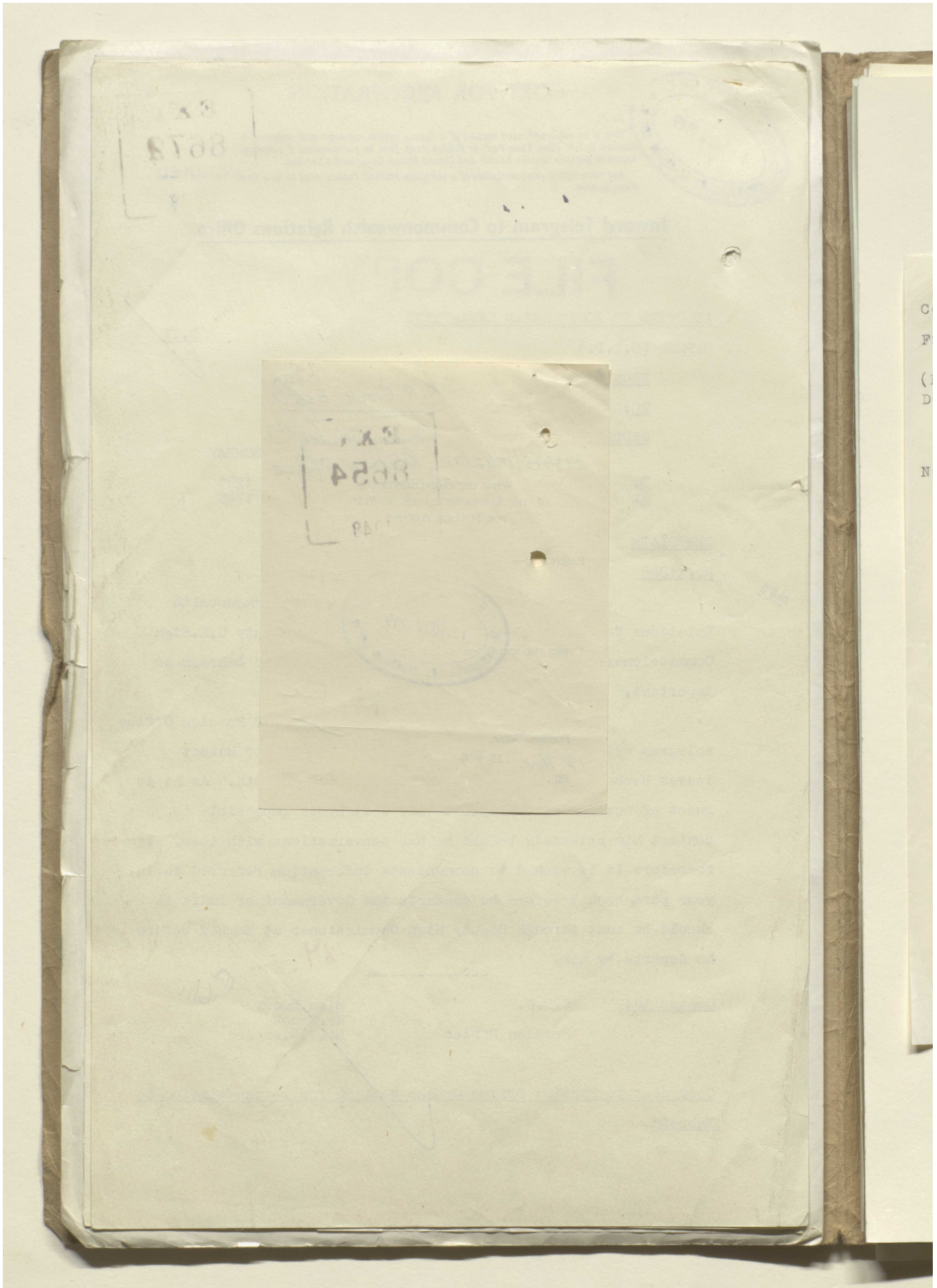
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Foreign Office Mr. Crook  
Mr. T.E. Rogers

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TELEGRAM NO. 24 SAVING TO THE FOREIGN OFFICE: *added to 25* **EX**

Code: - "R" **TELEGRAM**

From: - Bahrain. **FOREIGN, KARACHI, INDEXED**

(B 13445/1942/91) **8654**

Despatched: - **FILE COPY** **1949**

25/10/49

No: - 33 of 25th October, 1949

Repeated No. 3 Saving to UKHC, Karachi;  
No. 24 Saving to Foreign Office.

Addressed Foreign, Karachi, telegram No. 33 of the 25th October, repeated saving to U.K.H. C., Karachi and Foreign Office.

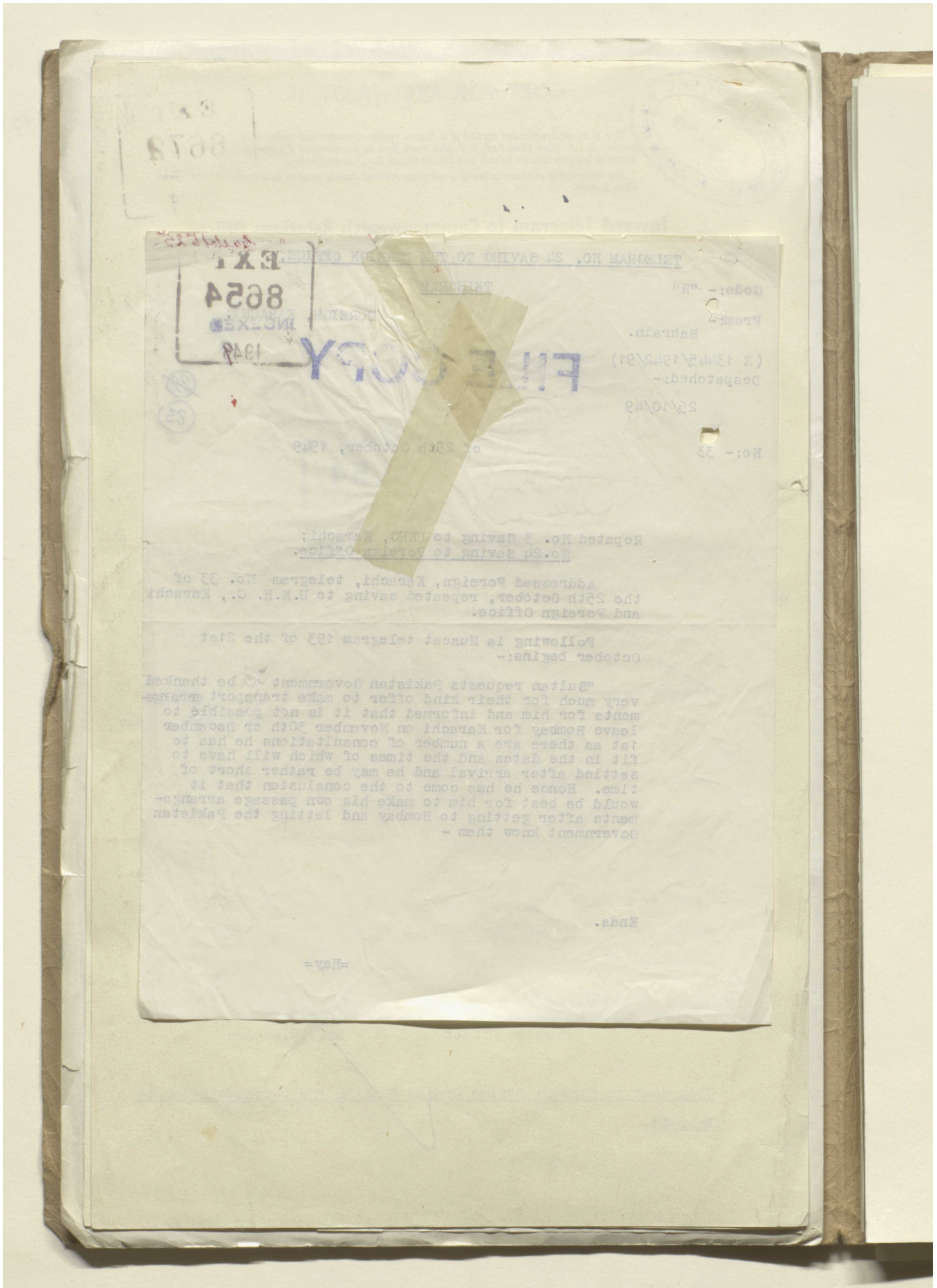
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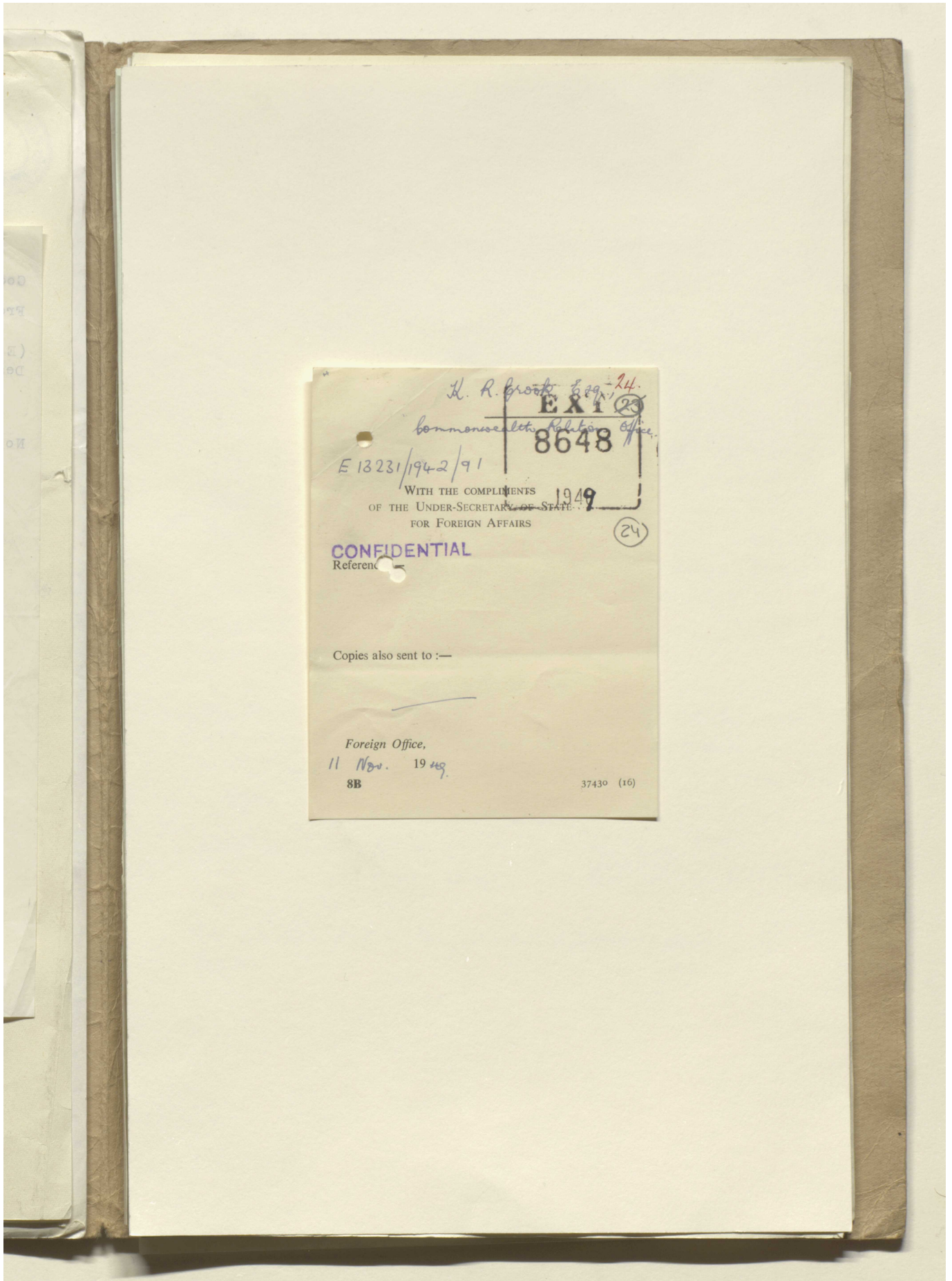
"Sultan requests Pakistan Government to be thanked very much for their kind offer to make transport arrangements for him and informed that it is not possible to leave Bombay for Karachi on November 30th or December 1st as there are a number of consultations he has to fit in the dates and the times of which will have to be settled after arrival and he may be rather short of time. Hence he has come to the conclusion that it would be best for him to make his own passage arrangements after getting to Bombay and letting the Pakistan Government know them -

Ends.

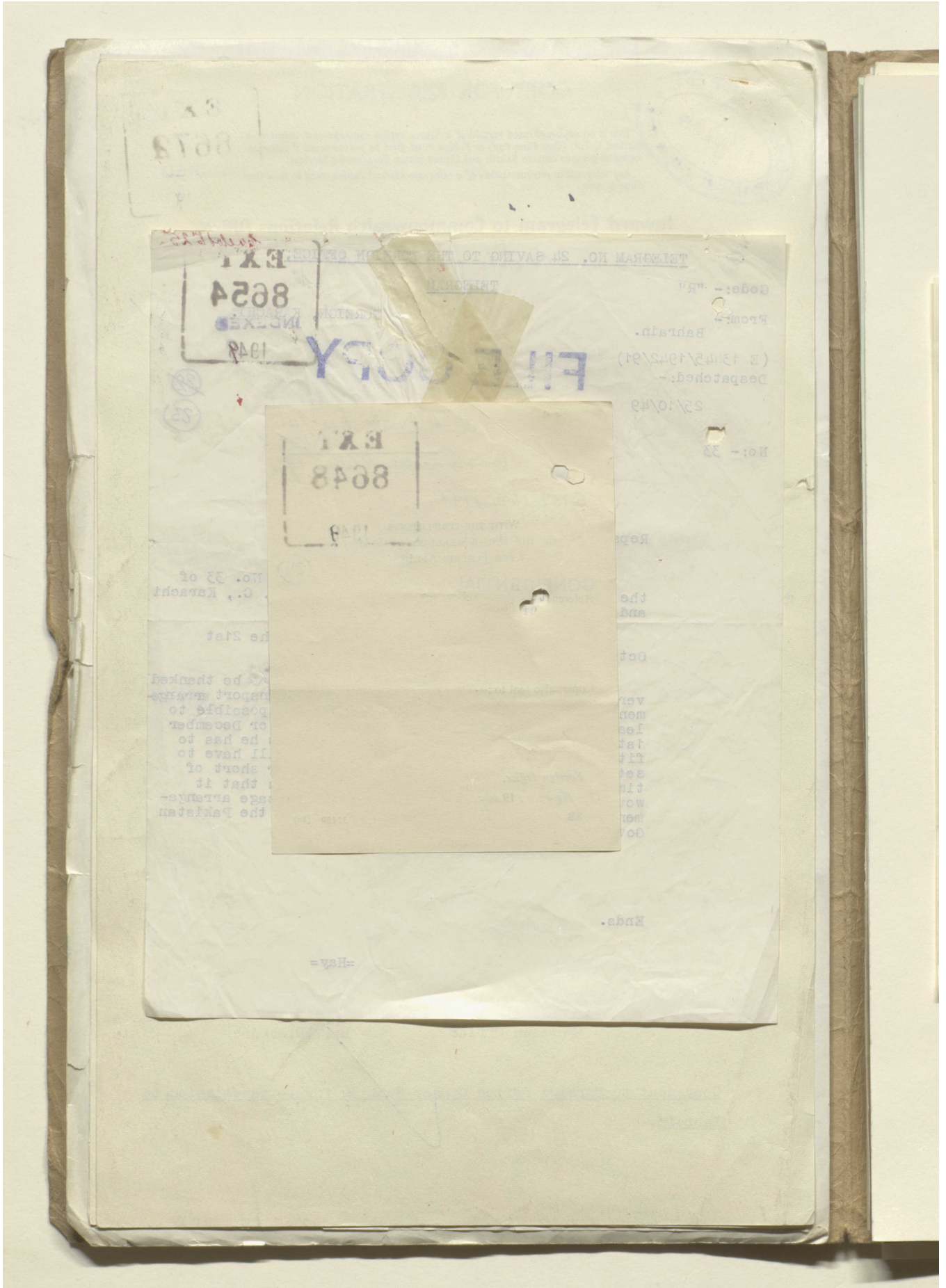
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FOREIGN OFFICE, S.W. 1. 24  
7th November, 1949 25

**EX 1**  
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CONFIDENTIAL

Dear Residency,

We enclose a copy of Commonwealth Relations Office letter No. Pol. Ext. 8466/49 of 29th October, 1949, to Karachi in connection with which the Commonwealth Relations Office have drawn our attention to the need for Muscat and yourselves to keep Karachi in the picture about the Sultan's movements. They were much concerned that Muscat telegram No. 40 of October 20th, by not being repeated to Karachi, appeared to reveal a situation whereby a foreign monarch would be sitting in a ship in Karachi harbour without either the High Commissioner or the Pakistan Government knowing about it. Muscat had apparently sent a telegram about the Sultan's passage through Karachi (No. 1392 of October 20th to Foreign, Karachi), but Commonwealth Relations Office and ourselves were not to know this.

We are sending a copy of this letter to Muscat.

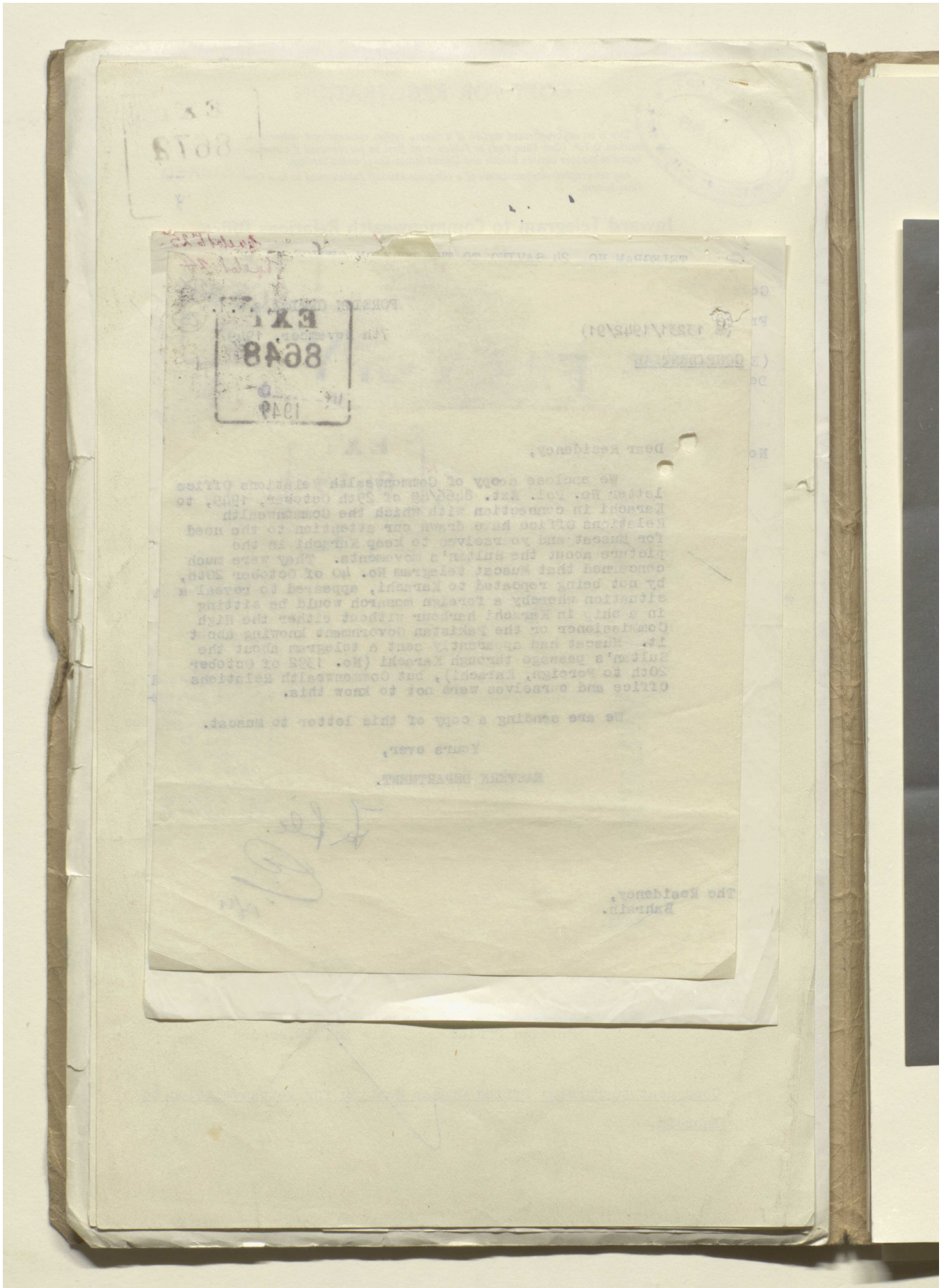
Yours ever,

EASTERN DEPARTMENT.

*To file*  
*[Signature]*  
*12/11*

The Residency,  
Bahrain.

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Coll 20/21 (2) 'Muscat: Royal Family' [26r] (51/136)

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Commonwealth Relations Office

Downing Street.

27th October, 1949.

Coll. 20/21.

POB EXT 3466/49

Confidential

Dear Rogers,

I enclose a copy of a letter which we have sent to our High Commissioner's Office in Karachi about the Sultan of Muscat.

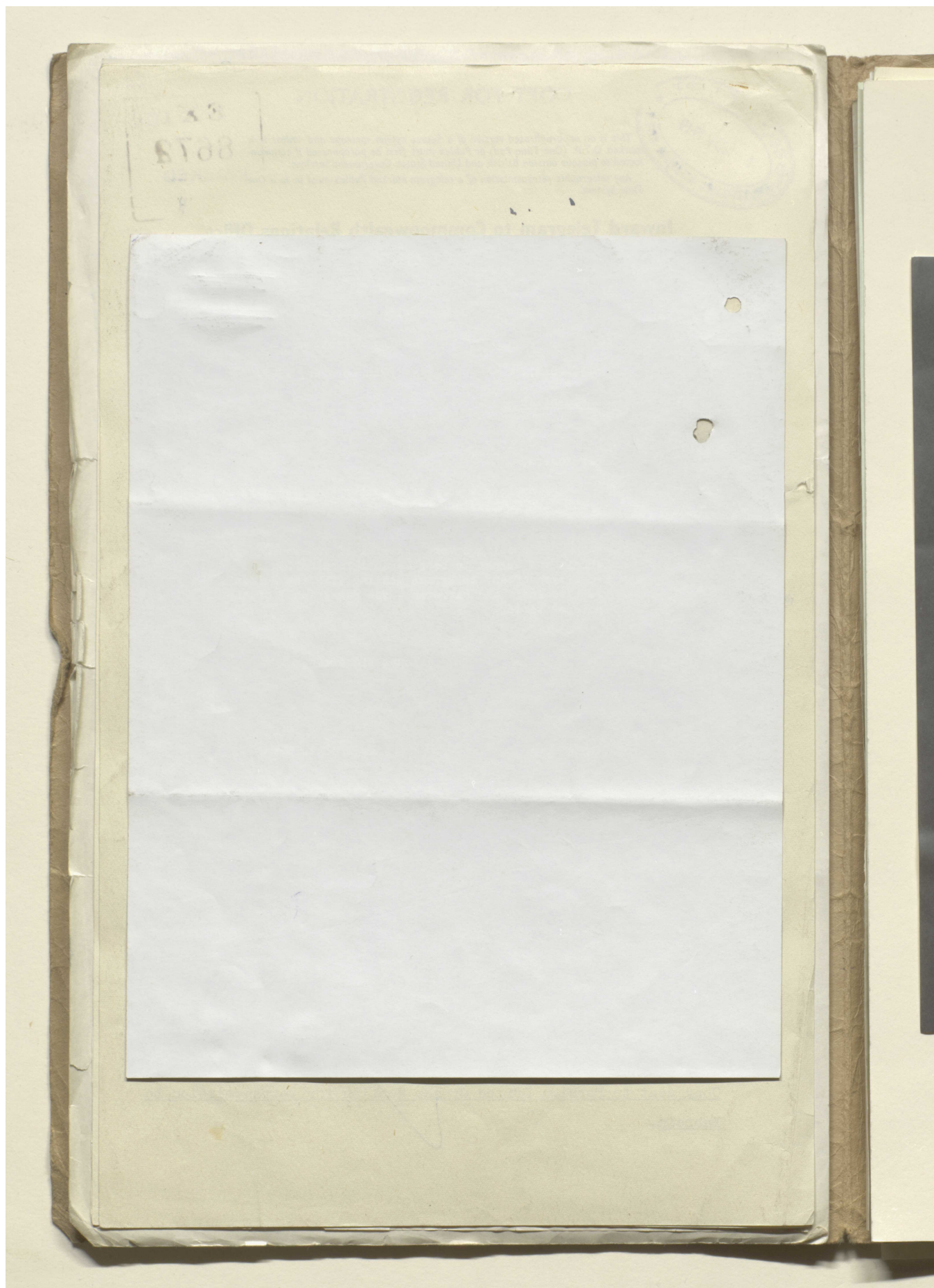
We should be very grateful if you would ask Bahrein and Muscat to bear Karachi in mind for the repetition of any telegrams dealing with the Sultan's visit to India and Pakistan - see paragraph 3 of the enclosed letter.

Yours sincerely,

(K. R. Crook).

T. E. Rogers, Esq.,  
Foreign Office,  
S.W.1.

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Commonwealth Relations Office,

Downing Street.

Pol. Ext. 8466/49.

29th October, 1949.

Confidential

Dear Burnett,

I hope our telegram No. 2192 (to which we have now had your reply No. 1586) did not cause you inconvenience. We did not in fact attach any great importance to a member of your Office calling on the Sultan of Muscat when his ship put in at Karachi but we wanted to be sure that you (and the Pakistan Government) knew of his presence. It was not clear to us how much of the correspondence we have had with Bahrain, Muscat, and our High Commissioner's Office in New Delhi about the Sultan's travels had been repeated to you.

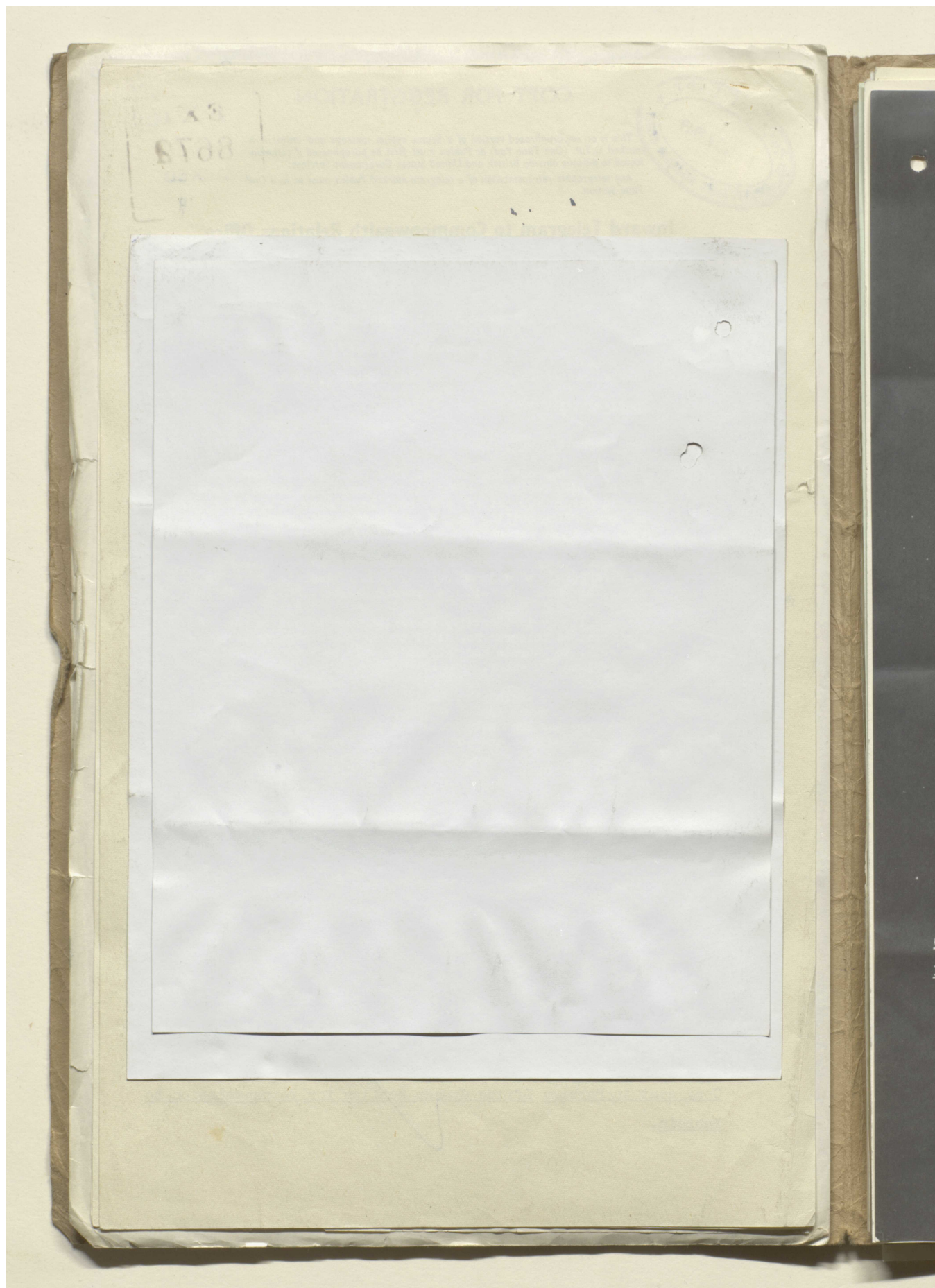
It may incidentally be of interest to you to see the attached telegram No. X1551 of the 5th September from New Delhi to Bahrain and Bahrain's reply to New Delhi No. 5 of the 10th September.

We are asking the Foreign Office to ensure that Bahrain and Muscat repeat to you any further telegrams which they may send with reference to the Sultan's visit and I am sending a copy of this letter (without the enclosures) to Roberts at New Delhi for any action which may be appropriate there.

Yours ever,

(I. MacLennan).

R. R. Burnett, Esq., C.I.E., O.B.E.,  
Karachi.



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Inward Telegram to Commonwealth Relations Office

ALLOTTED TO SOUTH ASIAN DEPARTMENT

CYPHER (SIMPLEX)

D.II

FROM: U.K. HIGH COMMISSIONER IN PAKISTAN

TO: COMMONWEALTH RELATIONS OFFICE

REPTD TO: POLITICAL RESIDENT BAHRAIN

D. Karachi, 18.50 hours, 25th October 1949  
R. 18.38 hours, 25th October 1949  
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PRIORITY

No.1586

Addressed to Secretary of State for Commonwealth Relations No.1586 repeated to Political Resident, Bahrain No.754M (C.R.O. please pass).

Your telegram No.2192.

I regret that this message reached me too late for me to call on Sultan. He was (? visited) on board by representatives of Pakistan Ministry of Foreign Affairs. We advised them to do this on receipt of Muscat telegram No.1392 October 20th to Foreign Karachi.

Copies to:

C.R.O.

Foreign Office

Miss Emery

Mr. Crook

Mr. L.E. Rogers

Copy sent to Foreign Office Cypher Section for retransmission to Bahrain.





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Inward Telegram to Commonwealth Relations Office

ALLOTTED SOUTH ASIAN DEPT.

CYPHER (SIMPLEX)

FROM: U.K. HIGH COMMISSIONER IN PAKISTAN

RPTD: POLITICAL RESIDENT BAHRAIN

D. Karachi 16.00 hours 25th Oct., 1949  
R. 15.54 hours 25th Oct., 1949  
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PRIORITY

No.1578 SECRET

Addressed Secretary of State for Commonwealth Relations No.1578 repeated Political Resident Bahrain No.751M. (C.R.O. please pass).

Sultan of Muscat has accepted Pakistan Government's invitation to pay official visit to Karachi during first week of December, and Ministry of Foreign Affairs have sought our advice on formalities to be observed. They enquire (a) whether Sultan is treated as head of an independent state; (b) if not, what types of courtesies would be extended to him were he to pay an official visit to the United Kingdom.

2. I should be grateful for material to reply to these enquiries and for any further information likely to be useful to Pakistan authorities.

Copy to:-

C.R.O.

Foreign Office

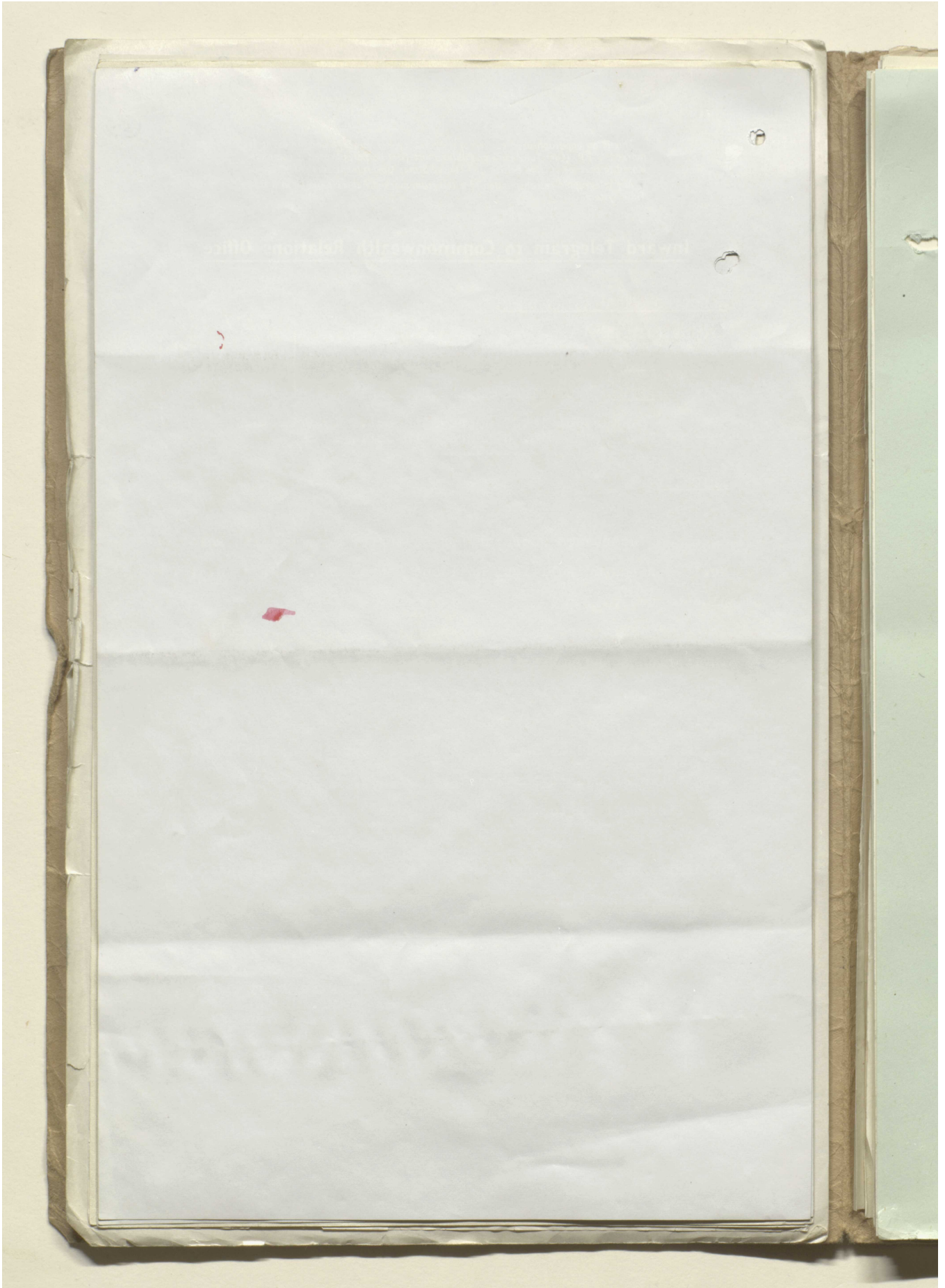
Miss Emery

Mr. Crook

Mr. T.W.Rogers

Copy to Foreign Office (Cypher Section) for repetition to Bahrain

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*Fair Copy.*

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OUTWARD SAVING TELEGRAM FROM  
COMMONWEALTH RELATIONS OFFICE

(BY AIR MAIL)

SOUTH ASIAN DEPT.

D.11.

*Ref. No. 8594/49*  
Coll. 20/21

TO: U.K. HIGH COMMISSIONER IN PAKISTAN

Rept: POLITICAL RESIDENT BAHREIN. (By Foreign  
Office Saving).

(DATED 11th November, 1949)

No. 381 SAVING.

Addressed U.K. High Commissioner, Karachi No. 381 Saving  
Repeated Political Resident, Bahrain.

Bahrain telegram No. 522 of 4th November, to Foreign Office.  
Repeated to you as my No. 2309. Visit of Sultan of Muscat.

Following further points occur to us which you may think  
worth mentioning to Pakistan authorities:-

(a) Apart from 21gun salute, there is no strict procedure  
agreed internationally for reception of Heads of States. Amount  
of ceremonial provided depends to some extent on degree of  
importance host Government attaches to visit.

(b) A ruler of status of Sultan of Muscat visiting this  
country as guest of Government, would be met on arrival by  
senior Member of Government, and possibly also by a representative  
of the King.

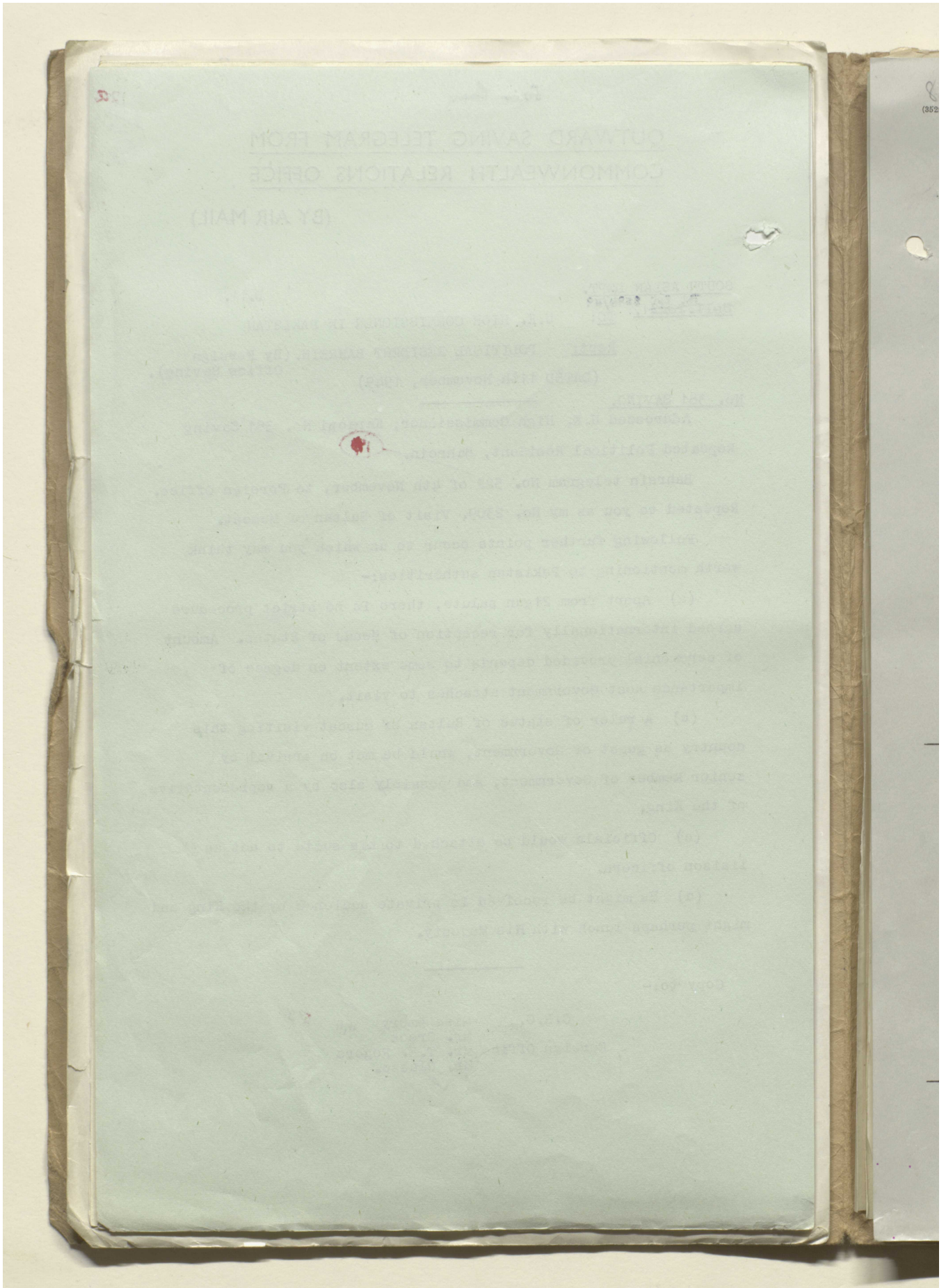
(c) Officials would be attached to his suite to act as  
liaison officers.

(d) He might be received in private audience by the King and  
might perhaps lunch with His Majesty.

Copy to:-

C.R.O. Miss Emery  
Foreign Office Mr. Crook  
Mr. T.E. Rogers  
Mr. Glasse.

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*Saudi Asian Dept.*

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C.R.O.

Mr. Crook. 9/10/49  
Miss Emery. 10/11/49  
*M. M. M. M.*  
10/11  
*Sammy* (15)

Addressed U.K.H.C. Karachi.  
No. 38. *SAVING* Repeated Bahrein.

Parly. U.S. of S.  
Secretary of State

Bahrein telegram No. 522 of 4th November,  
to Foreign Office. Visit of Sultan of  
Muscat. Repeated to you as my No. 2309.

Following further points occur to us which  
you may think worth mentioning to Pakistan  
authorities:

**DRAFT** TELEGRAM  
*SAVING*

U.K.H.C. KARACHI. *No 381 Sammy*  
Repeated by F.O. to  
POLITICAL RESIDENT  
BAHREIN.

- (a) Apart from 21 gun salute, there is no strict procedure agreed internationally for reception of Heads of States. Amount of ceremonial provided depends to some extent on degree of importance host Government attaches to visit.
- (b) A ruler of status of Sultan of Muscat visiting this country as guest of Government, would be met on arrival by senior Member of Government, and possibly also by a representative of the King.
- (c) Officials would be attached to his suite to act as liaison officers.
- (d) He might be received in private audience by the King and perhaps lunch with His Majesty.

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Further action.

C.R.O. *n/h*  
Miss Emery  
Mr. Crook.  
Foreign Office.  
Mr. T. E. Rogers.  
Mr. Glasse.

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DATED  
11 NOV 1949

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of Sammy Hags  
+ Envelope*



Coll 20/21 (2) 'Muscat: Royal Family' [32r] (63/136)

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C.R.O.

Mr. Crook, 9/10/49.

Miss Emery

Parly. U.S. of S.  
Secretary of State

**DRAFT** TELEGRAM.

U.K.H.C. KARACHI

Repeated to POLITICAL RESIDENT  
BAHREIN.

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Further action.

~~Distribution D.2~~

+ C.R.O.

Miss Emery  
Mr. Crook

Foreign Office  
Mr. T.E. Rogers

M. G. Lane.

Printing.

Assumed to be U.K.H.C. Karachi  
No. ... Repeated to Bahrain.

(18) Bahrein telegram No. 522 to Foreign Office  
of 4th November. Visit to Karachi of Sultan  
of Muscat. Repeated to you as No. 2309.

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may think worth mentioning to  
Pakistan authorities.

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if visiting this country as a guest of  
Government, would of course be met ~~at air~~  
~~arrival~~ field by senior Member of Government, and  
possibly with representative of the ~~King~~  
in attendance.

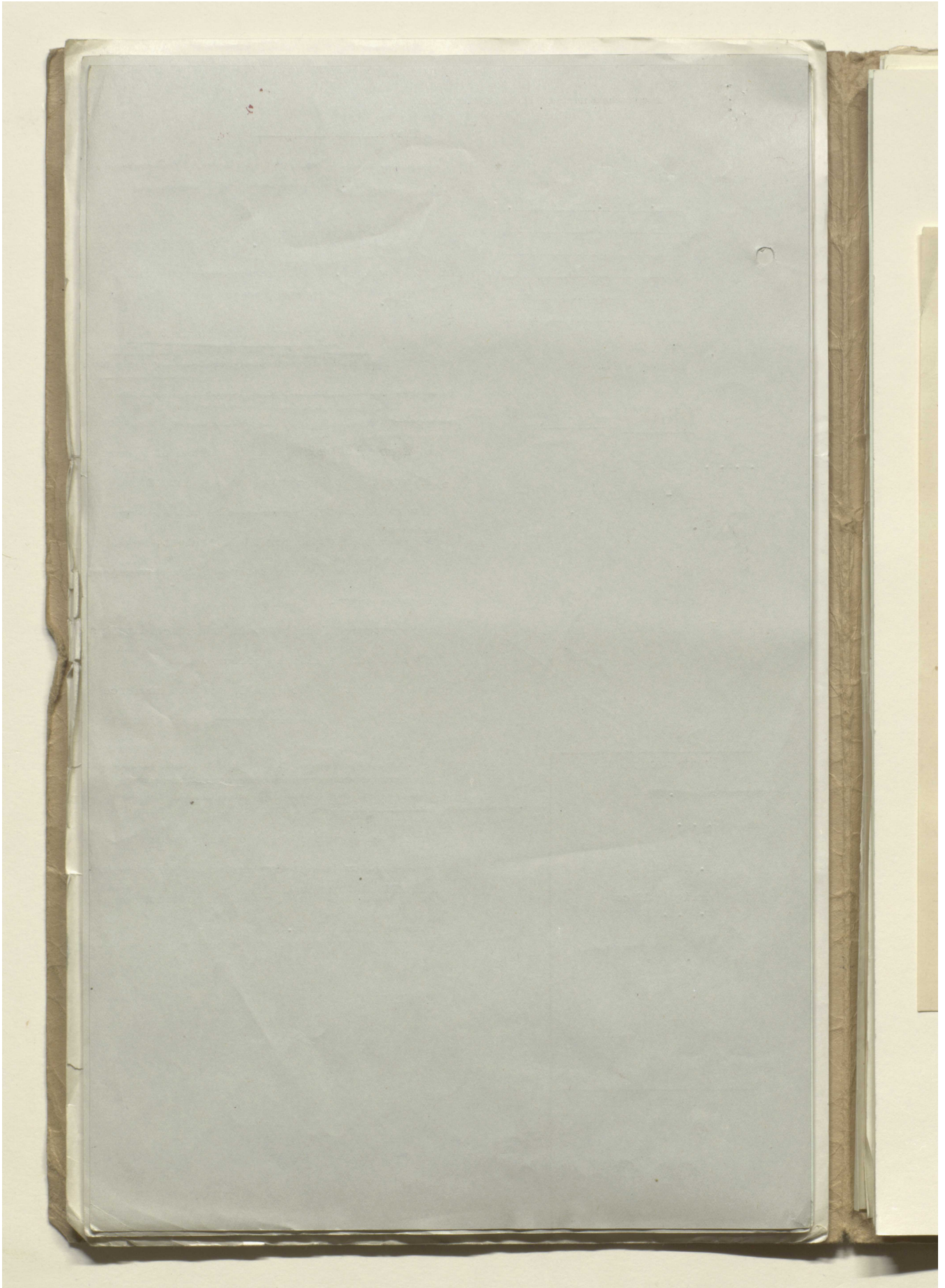
(c) Suitable Officials would be attached to his  
suite to act as liaison officers.

(d) He might be received in private audience  
by the King and ~~possibly~~ <sup>perhaps</sup> take lunch with His  
Majesty.

Appt from 21 in your suite  
(d) But of course there is no national  
international accepted practice for reception of Heads of  
States. Amount of ceremonial provided by  
Pakistan Government for Sultan of Muscat would  
(to some extent) depend ~~entirely~~ on degree of importance they  
attach (to his visit).



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Sultan's Visit file 20/21

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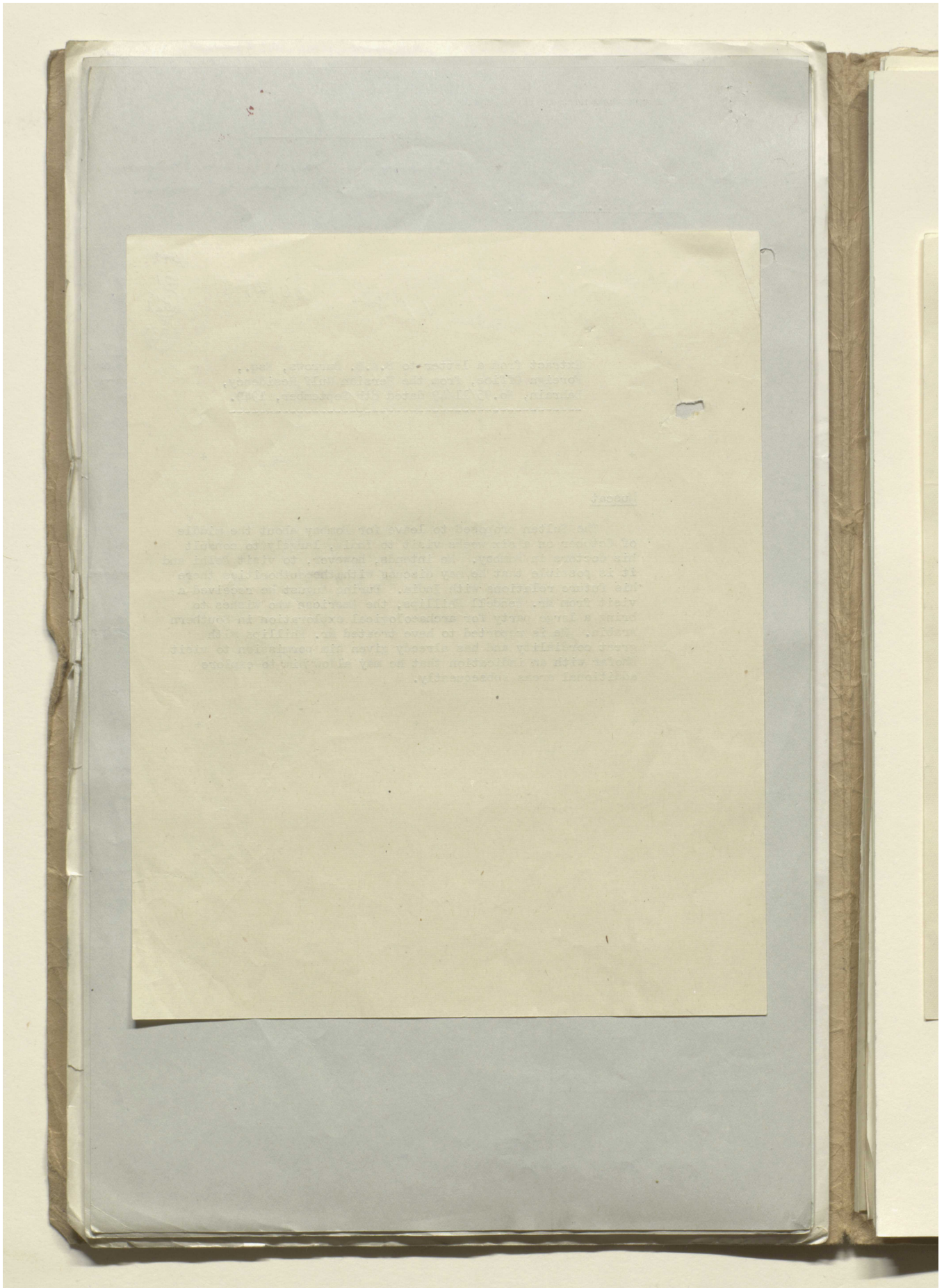
Extract from a letter to B.A.B. Burrows, Esq.,  
Foreign Office, from the Persian Gulf Residency,  
Bahrain, No.95/11/49 dated 8th September, 1949.

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Muscat

The Sultan proposed to leave for Bombay about the middle of October on a six weeks visit to India, largely to consult his doctors in Bombay. He intends, however, to visit Delhi and it is possible that he may discuss with the authorities there his future relations with India. During August he received a visit from Mr. Wendell Phillips, the American who wishes to bring a large party for archaeological exploration in Southern Arabia. He is reported to have treated Mr. Phillips with great cordiality and has already given him permission to visit Dhofar with an indication that he may allow him to explore additional areas subsequently.

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C.R.O. Pal EX 18594

TELEGRAM FOR DESPATCH

<u>PRIORITY</u>	<u>CLASSIFICATION</u>	FOREIGN OFFICE, DOWNING STREET.
Emergency	Top Secret	
Immediate	Secret	
Priority	Confidential	7/11 / 1949
Routine	Restricted	
Deferred	Open	

amendment to  
Herewith copies of telegram No. 522  
from Bahrain to F.O.  
for repetition \*in a one-time cypher system\* to UKHC  
Kanachi  
(\* Delete when inapplicable)

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Telegram Section

Telegraph Section,  
~~Colonial Office,  
Church House.~~

Telegram Section,  
Commonwealth Relations Office,  
Downing Street.

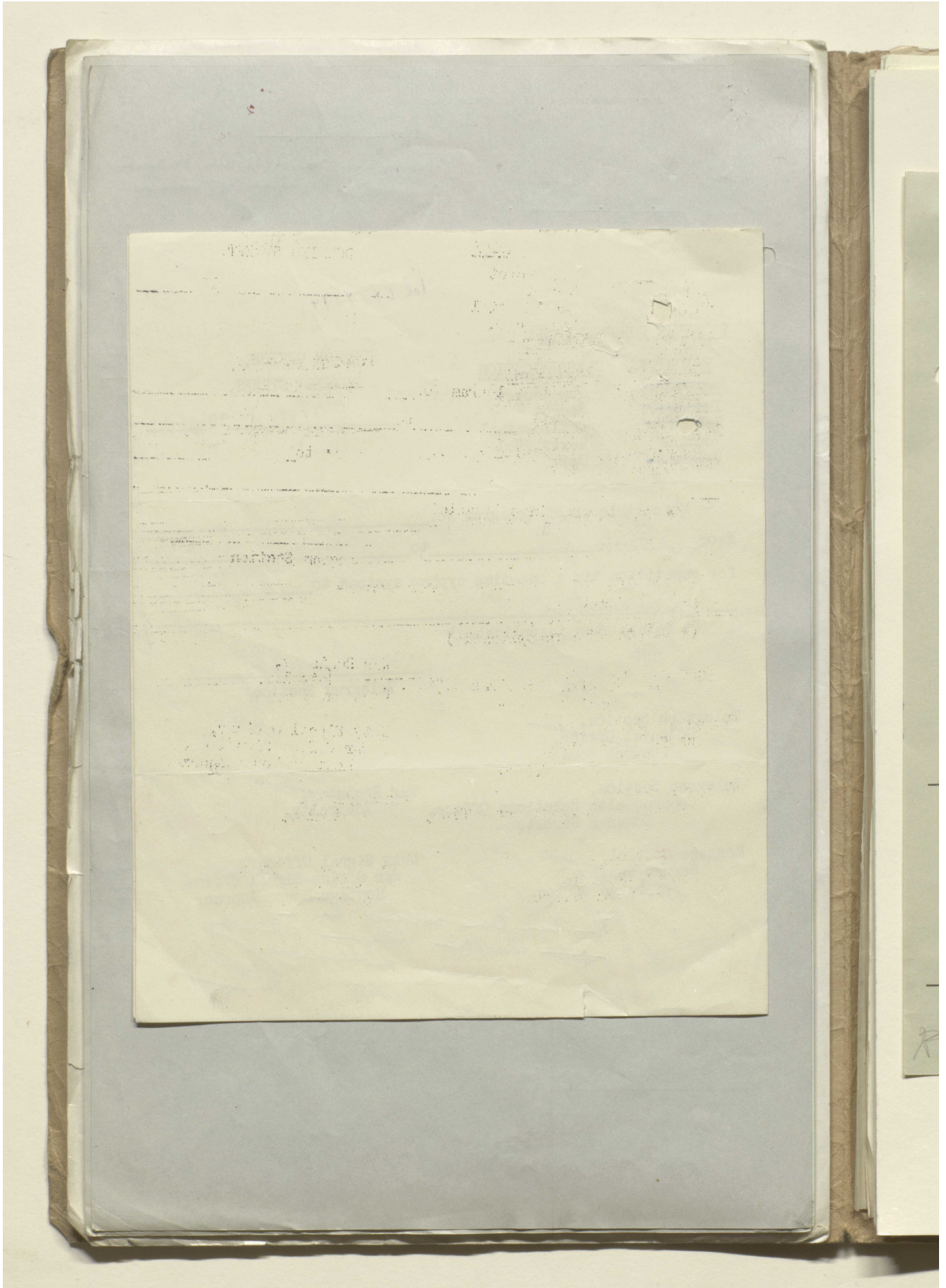
War Registry,  
~~Admiralty.~~

Message Control,  
~~German Section,  
Foreign Office.~~

Duty Signal Officer,  
~~War Office Signal Office,  
Montagu House Annex.~~

*This has been covered by already  
at correct telegram address*

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C.R.O.

Muscat 8/11.

Permt. U.S. of S.  
Parly. U.S. of S.  
Secretary of State

DRAFT. Telegram

UKHC Karachi  
*dupli*

*Sent*  
*8/11*

Further action.

*No dist.*

Printing.

Addressed UKcom Karachi  
No 2319 My telegram  
No 2309 of 7 Nov. which referred  
to Foreign Office  
Bahrain telegram No. 522. Sultan  
of Muscat. Content as follows:-  
last sentence of para. 1. to read  
as follows:-

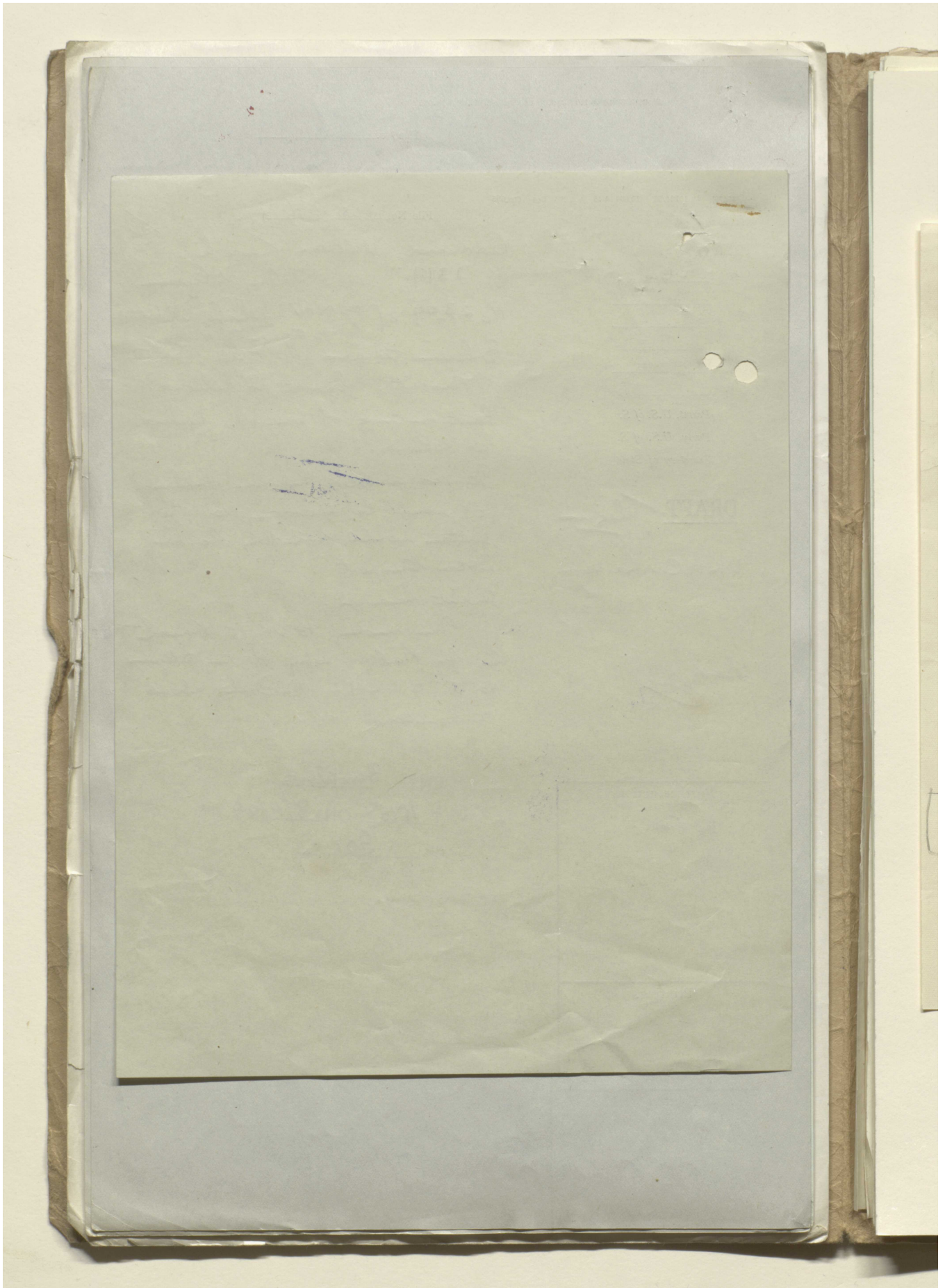
"It was doubted however whether  
(c) would be necessary as the  
Sultan would probably be using  
motor transport.

Insert para. 2.

"I am sending to UKHC Karachi  
by Air Mail a copy of my telegram  
No. 5. to UKHC New Delhi about  
the countries -----"

SENT Dupli  
AT 1515 ON 8/11/49  
BY gac

*R*



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**CYPHER** FILE COPY

TELEGRAM FOR DESPATCH

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<del>Priority</del>	<del>Confidential</del>	8594
<del>Routine</del>	<del>Restricted</del>	
<del>Deferred</del>	<del>Open</del>	

Herewith copy of telegram No. 1322  
from Bahrain to FO  
for repetition \*in a one-time cypher system\* to UKHC Karachi

(\* Delete when inapplicable)

D.H. Hutson  
Telegram Section

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Colonial Office,  
Church House.

Telegram Section,  
Commonwealth Relations Office,  
Downing Street.

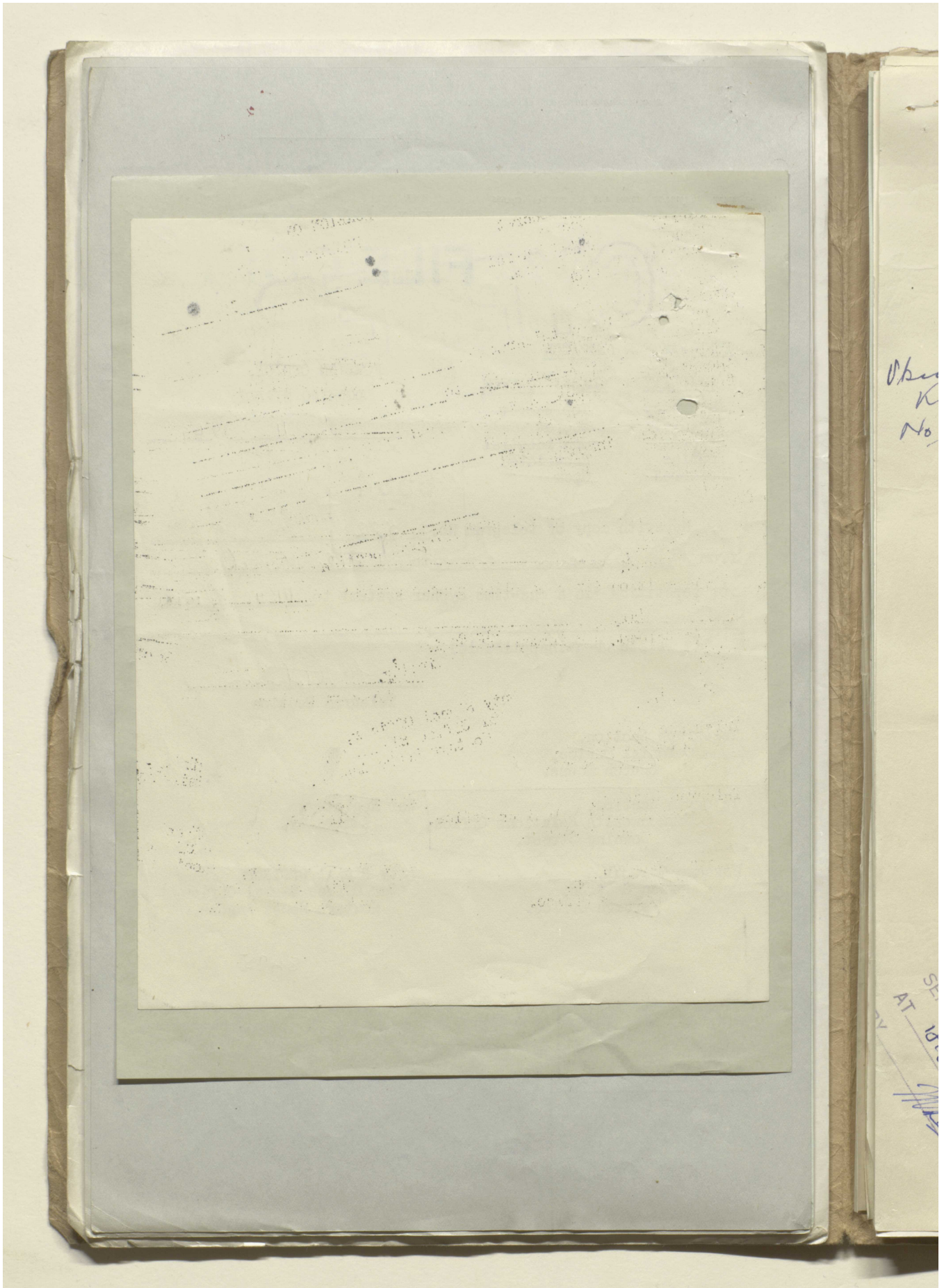
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Admiralty.

Message Control,  
German Section,  
Foreign Office.

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War Office Signal Office,  
Montagu House Anneze.

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FROM BAHREIN TO FOREIGN OFFICE

Sir R. Hay  
No. 522

D. 2.50 p.m. 5th November, 1949

4th November, 1949

R. 2.15 p.m. 5th November, 1949

*Obcom  
Karachi  
No 2309*

Repeated to U.K. High Commissioner Karachi

SECRET

*Following is text of Bahrain telegram*

Addressed to Foreign Office telegram No. 522 of 4th November, repeated for information to United Kingdom High Commissioner Karachi. No. 19.

United Kingdom High Commissioner Karachi telegram No. 1578 to the Commonwealth Relations Office.

The Sultan should be treated in all respects as the head of an independent state. When he landed at Karachi on an official visit to India in 1937 the Government of India gave instructions regarding the honours accorded to him in their express letter F.414.N/37 of October 23rd 1937 to the Government of Sind. This may be on record at Karachi. The honours prescribed were:

- (a) a guard of honour consisting of 100 Indian infantry with a Subedar and two Jemadars band and hoist [gp undec] colours on arrival
- (b) a salute of 21 guns on arrival and
- (c) an escort of two non-commissioned officers and 12 sowars on the journey from the docks to the hotel.

It was doubted however whether (c) would be necessary as the Sultan would presumably take steps to study a copy of my telegram No. 5 to United Kingdom High Commissioner New Delhi about the courtesies to be extended by the High Commissioner.

3. Pakistan Government should perhaps be warned of the Sultan's physical horror of tobacco smoke. *Ends*

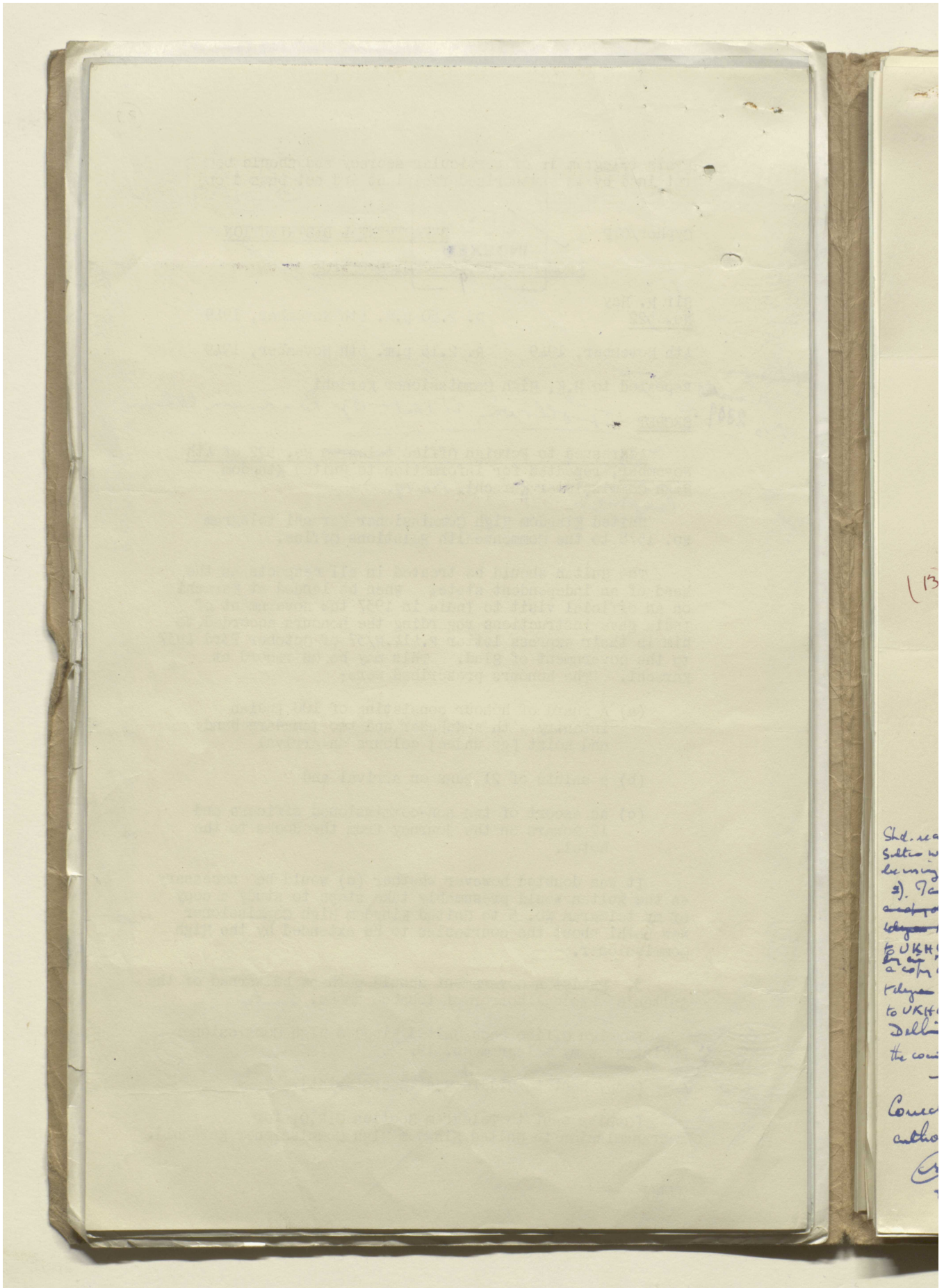
Foreign Office pass United Kingdom High Commissioner Pakistan as my telegram No. 19.

[Copy sent to Middle East Secretariat].

[Copies sent to Telegram Section C.R.O. for retransmission to United Kingdom High Commissioner Karachi].

SENT AT 18.0 ON 7/11

JJJJJ



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FROM BAHREIN TO FOREIGN OFFICE

Sir R. Hay  
No. 522

D. 2.50 p.m. 5th November, 1949

4th November, 1949

R. 2.15 p.m. 5th November, 1949

Repeated to U.K. High Commissioner Karachi

SECRET

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*Shd. read ... as the Sultan would personally be using motor transport.*  
2. To be read as the Sultan would personally be using motor transport.  
F.U.K.H.C. Karachi by air mail a copy of my telegram No 5 to U.K.H.C New Delhi about the courtesies - the courtesies -

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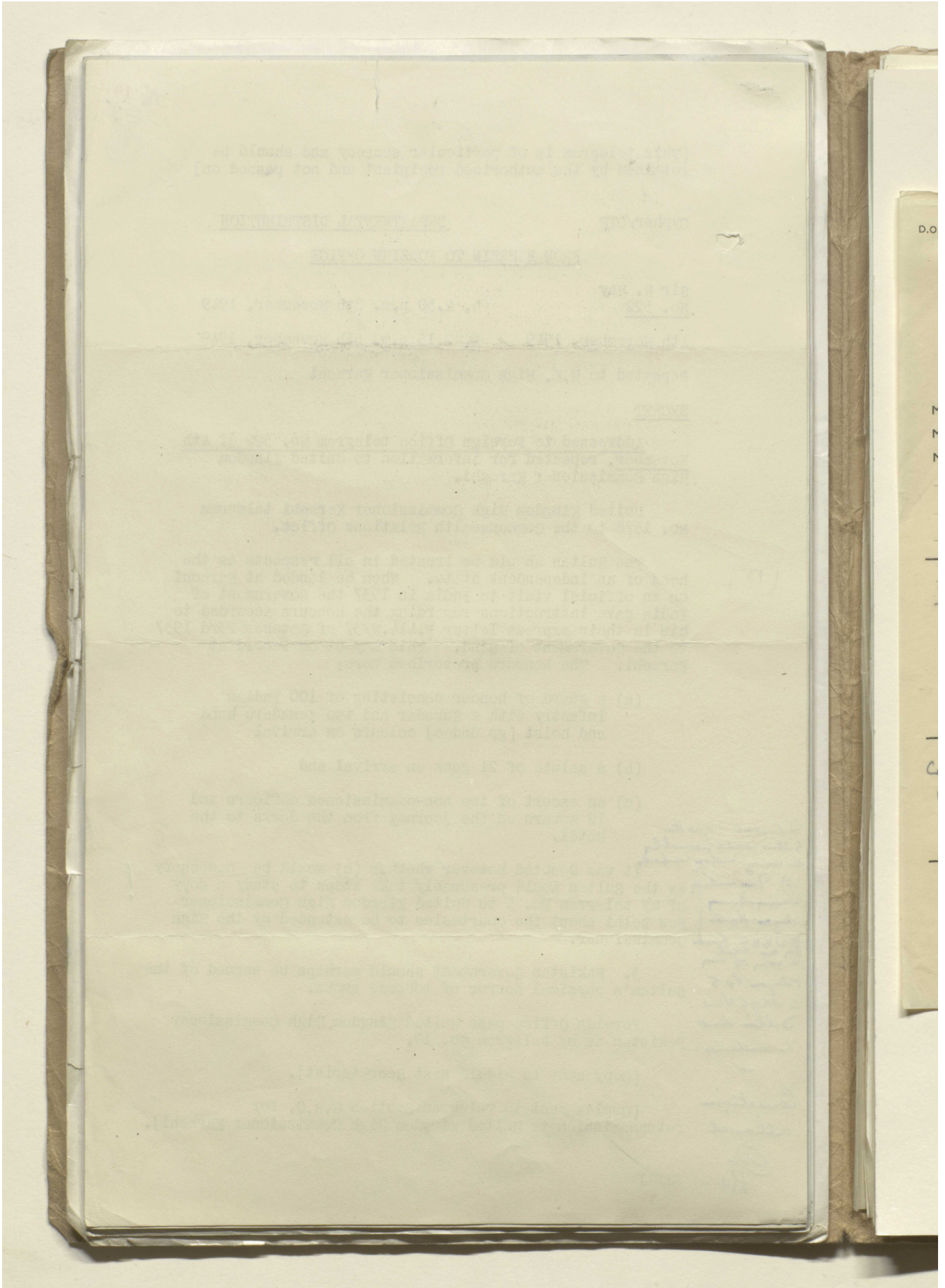
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[Copy sent to Middle East Secretariat].

*Correction authorized*

[Copies sent to Telegram Section C.R.O. for retransmission to United Kingdom High Commissioner Karachi].

*th.* JJJJJ



D.O.

DRAFT AND RECORD COPY

Commonwealth Relations Office,

Downing Street.

Pol. Ext. 8466/49.

29th October, 1949.

Confidential

DRAFT

Dear Burnett,

MR. I hope our telegram No. 2192 (to which we have  
MR. now had your reply No. 1586) did not cause you inconvenience.  
MR. We did not in fact attach any great importance to a member  
of your Office calling on the Sultan of Muscat when his  
ship put in at Karachi but we wanted to be sure that you  
(and the Pakistan Government) knew of his presence. It was  
not clear to us how much of the correspondence we have had  
with Bahrain, Muscat, and our High Commissioner's Office in  
New Delhi about the Sultan's travels had been repeated to you.

ENCLOSURES

It may incidentally be of interest to you to see  
the attached telegram No. X1551 of the 5th September from  
New Delhi to Bahrain and Bahrain's reply to New Delhi No. 5  
of the 10th September.

We are asking the Foreign Office to ensure that  
Bahrain and Muscat repeat to you any further telegrams  
which they may send with reference to the Sultan's visit  
and I am sending a copy of this letter (without the en-  
losures) to Roberts at New Delhi for any action which may be  
appropriate there.

FURTHER ACTION

Copy to  
Mr F. Roberts  
N. Delhi

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Yours ever,

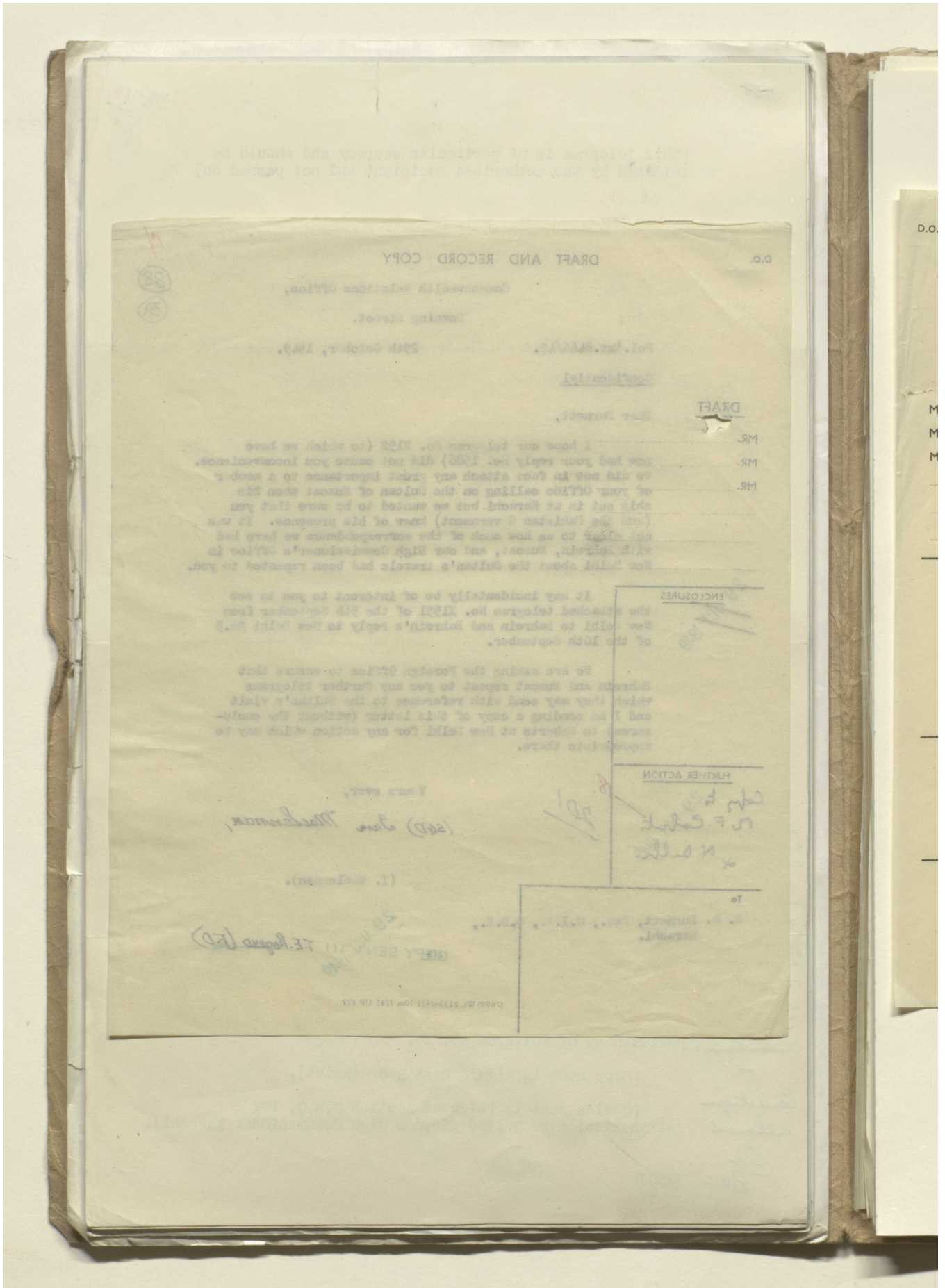
(Sgd) Ian MacLennan,

(I. MacLennan).

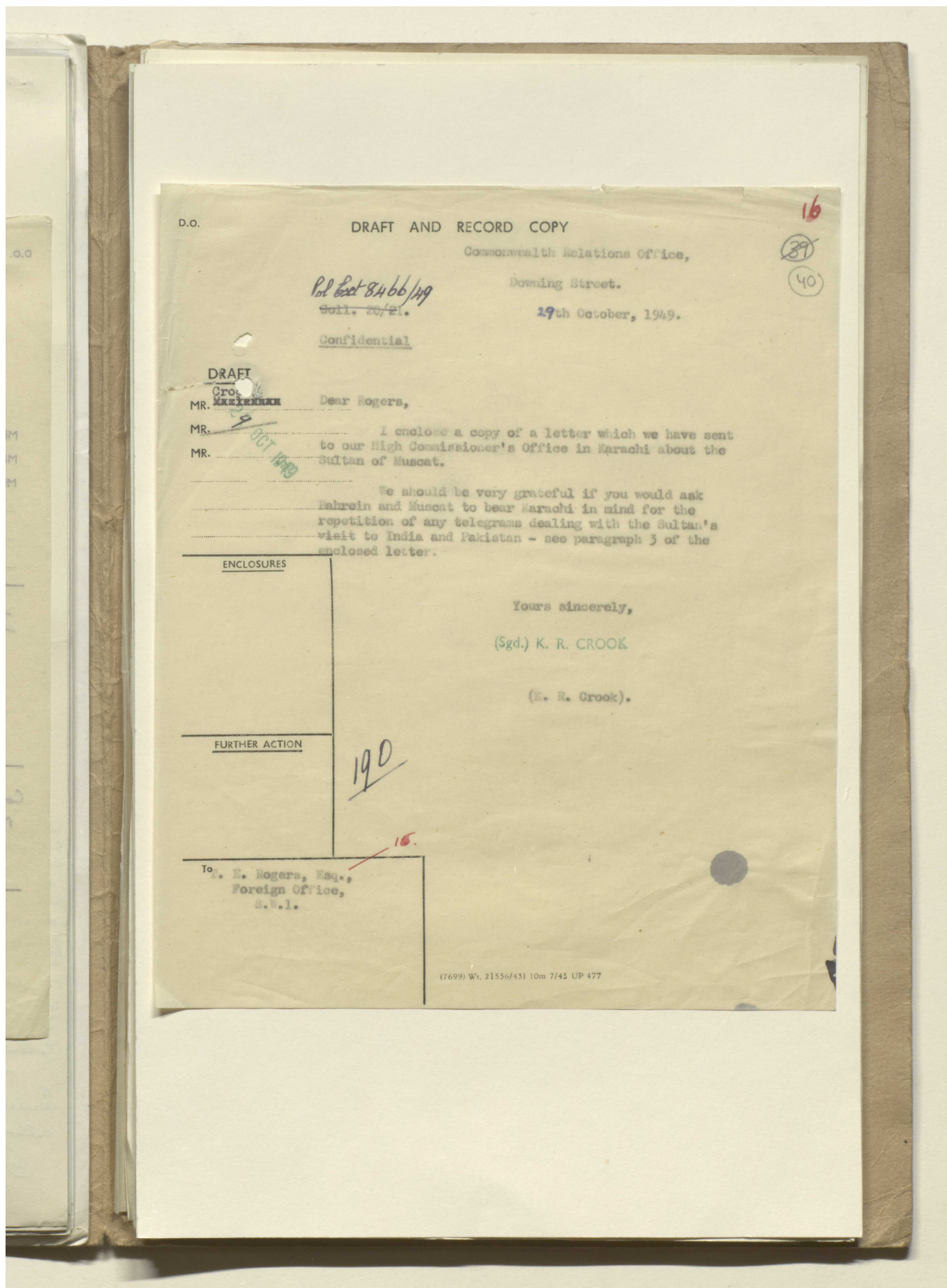
To

R. R. Burnett, Esq., C.I.E., C.B.E.,  
Karachi.

29 OCT 1949  
COPY SENT TO T.E. ROBERT (FD)



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D.O.

DRAFT AND RECORD COPY

Commonwealth Relations Office,

Downing Street.

29th October, 1949.

*Ref. 8466/49*  
9011. 20/21.

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DRAFT

Crook

MR. ~~Mackenzie~~ Dear Rogers,

MR. *9 OCT 1949* I enclose a copy of a letter which we have sent  
to our High Commissioner's Office in Karachi about the  
MR. Sultan of Muscat.

We should be very grateful if you would ask  
Bahrain and Muscat to bear Karachi in mind for the  
repetition of any telegrams dealing with the Sultan's  
visit to India and Pakistan - see paragraph 3 of the  
enclosed letter.

ENCLOSURES

Yours sincerely,

(Sgd.) K. R. CROOK

(K. R. Crook).

FURTHER ACTION

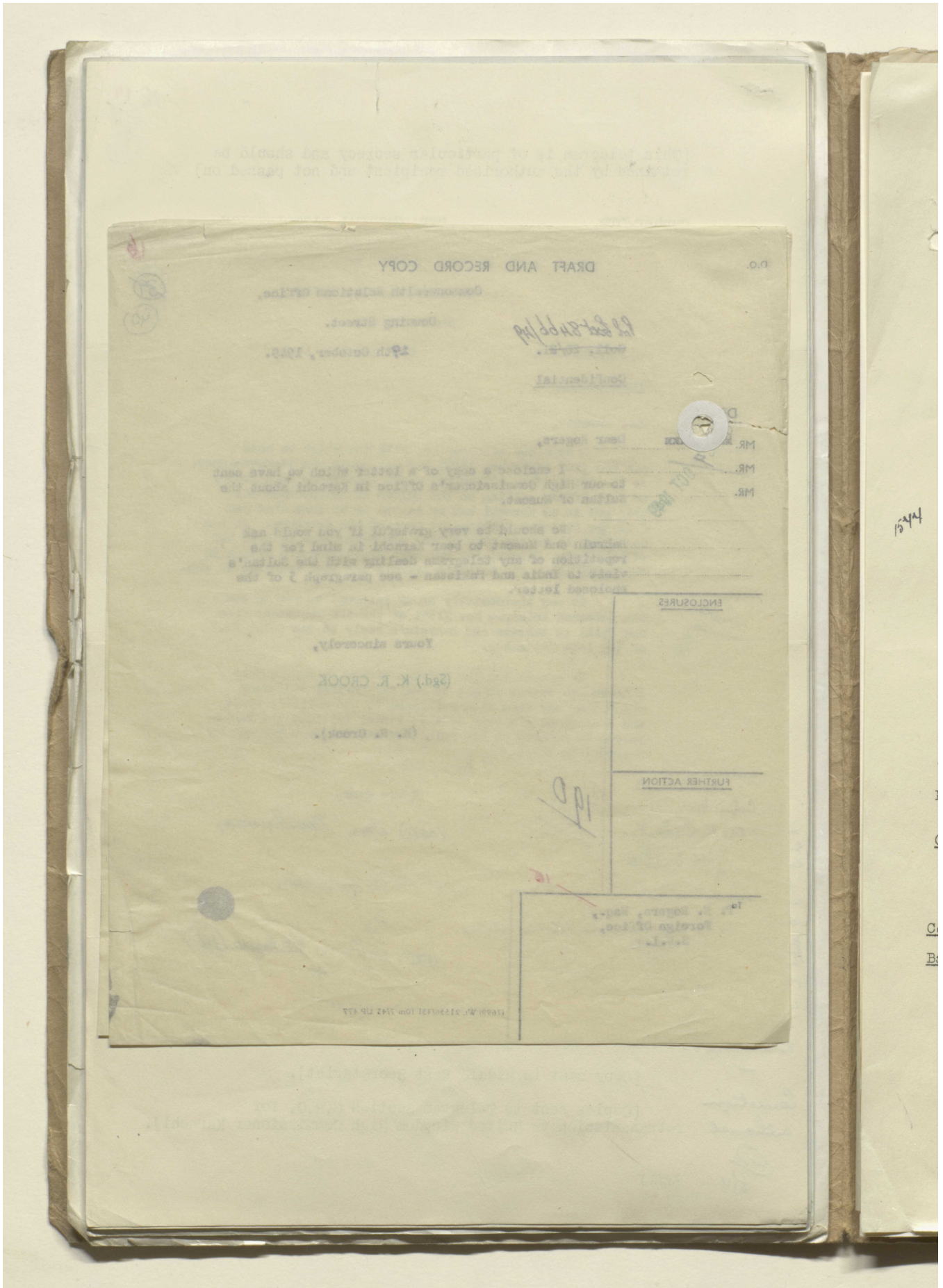
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To: E. Rogers, Esq.,  
Foreign Office,  
S.W.1.

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Coll 20/21 (2) 'Muscat: Royal Family' [41r] (81/136)

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Inward Telegram to Commonwealth Relations Office

ALLOTTED TO SOUTH ASIAN DEPARTMENT

CYPHER (SIMPLEX)

FROM: U.K. HIGH COMMISSIONER IN PAKISTAN

TO: COMMONWEALTH RELATIONS OFFICE

REPTD TO: POLITICAL RESIDENT BAHRAIN

D. Karachi, 18.50 hours, 25th October 1949  
R. 18.38 hours, 25th October 1949

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PRIORITY

No. 1586

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Addressed to Secretary of State for Commonwealth Relations No. 1586 repeated to Political Resident, Bahrain No. 754M (C.R.O. please pass).

Your telegram No. 2192. 8466

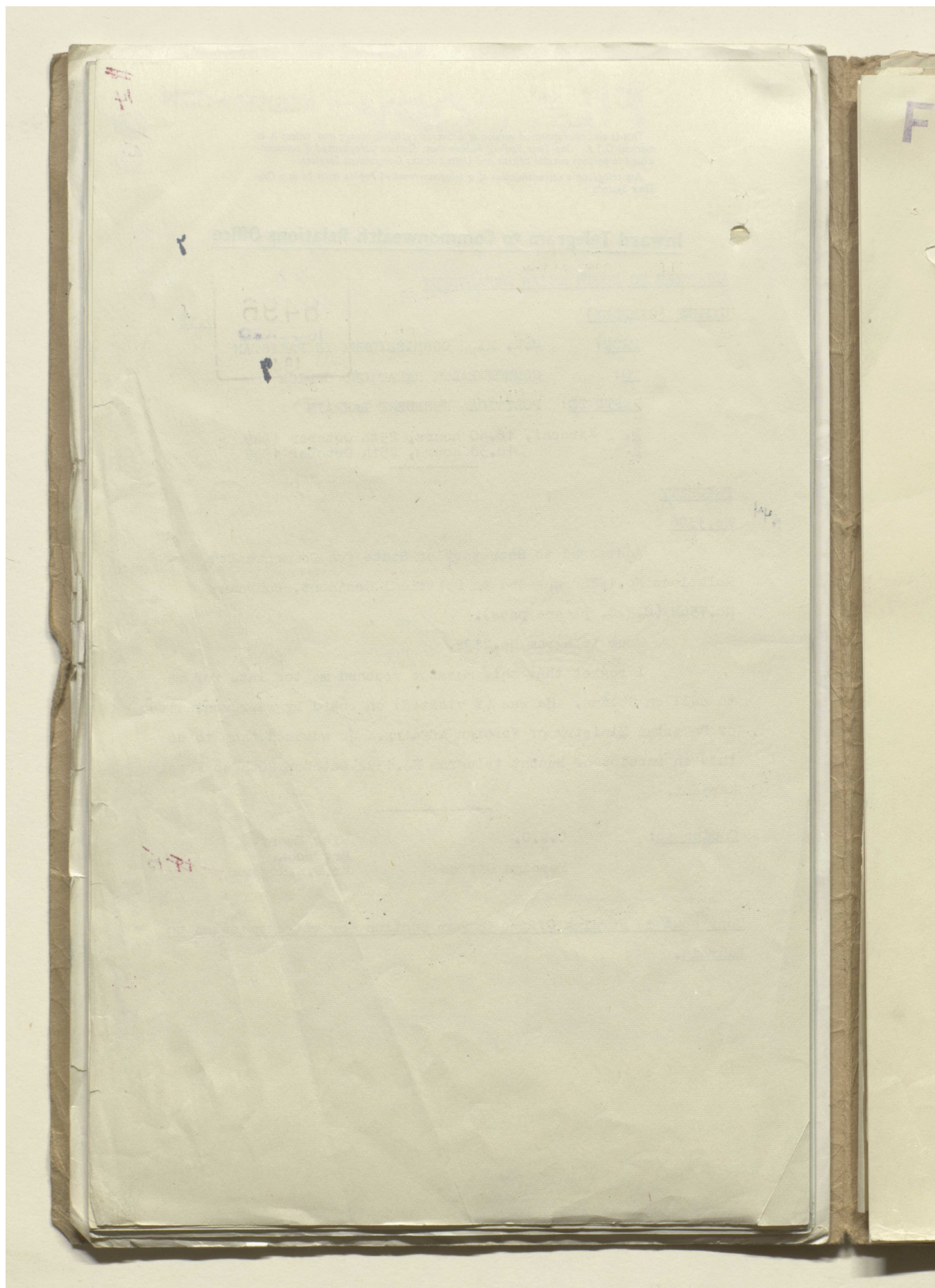
I regret that this message reached me too late for me to call on Sultan. He was (? visited) on board by representatives of Pakistan Ministry of Foreign Affairs. We advised them to do this on receipt of Muscat telegram No. 1392 October 20th to Foreign Karachi.

Copies to: C.R.O.  
" Foreign Office

Miss Emery  
Mr. Crook  
Mr. L. E. Rogers

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19.15

Copy sent to Foreign Office Cypher Section for retransmission to Bahrain.



Coll 20/21 (2) 'Muscat: Royal Family' [42r] (83/136)

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Inward Telegram to Commonwealth Relations Office

ALLOTTED SOUTH ASIAN DEPT.

CYPHER (SIMPLEX)

FROM: U.K. HIGH COMMISSIONER IN PAKISTAN

RPTD: POLITICAL RESIDENT BAHRAIN

D. Karachi 16.00 hours 25th Oct., 1949  
R. 15.54 hours 25th Oct., 1949  
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PRIORITY

No. 1578 SECRET

Addressed Secretary of State for Commonwealth Relations No. 1578 repeated Political Resident Bahrain No. 751M. (C.R.O. please pass).

Sultan of Muscat has accepted Pakistan Government's invitation to pay official visit to Karachi during first week of December, and Ministry of Foreign Affairs have sought our advice on formalities to be observed. They enquire (a) whether Sultan is treated as head of an independent state; (b) if not, what types of courtesies would be extended to him were he to pay an official visit to the United Kingdom.

2. I should be grateful for material to reply to these enquiries and for any further information likely to be useful to Pakistan authorities.

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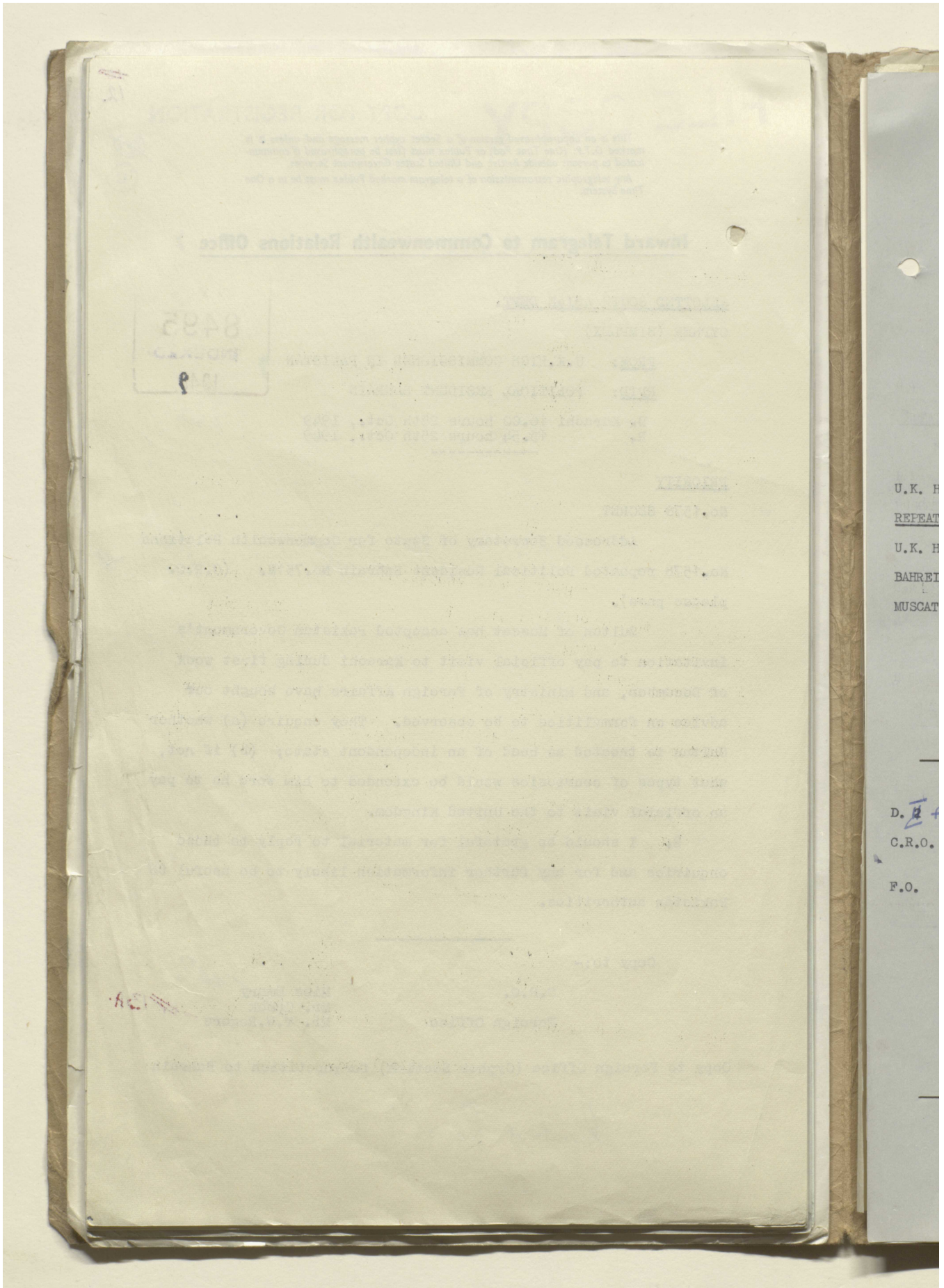
C.R.O.  
Foreign Office

Miss Emory  
Mr. Crook  
Mr. T.W. Rogers

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Copy to Foreign Office (Cypher Section) for repetition to Bahrain

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C.R.O.

Mr. Crook 26/10

*Not sent*

ROUTINE

CONFIDENTIAL

Parly. U.S. of S.  
Secretary of State

DRAFT TELEGRAM

U.K. HIGH COMMISSIONER, KARACHI.  
REPEATED  
U.K. HIGH COMMISSIONER, NEW DELHI.  
BAHREIN.  
MUSCAT.

*PA. (3)*

Addressed U.K. High Commissioner Karachi No. , repeated U.K. High Commissioner New Delhi No. , Bahrein and Muscat. You will be aware that Sultan of Muscat intends to visit Karachi between December 1st and 5th. You should therefore know of advice given by Political Resident, Bahrein, to U.K. High Commissioner New Delhi as to courtesies which he should extend to Sultan during latter's visit there. He suggested that the High Commissioner should send a junior member of the staff to ascertain from Sultan's entourage as soon as possible after his arrival what time it would be convenient for him to call, and that he should call on the Sultan accordingly. During the call he might enquire whether there is any way in which he can assist him. Sultan would probably appreciate an invitation to lunch or dinner. It should be remembered that he has a physical horror of tobacco smoke.

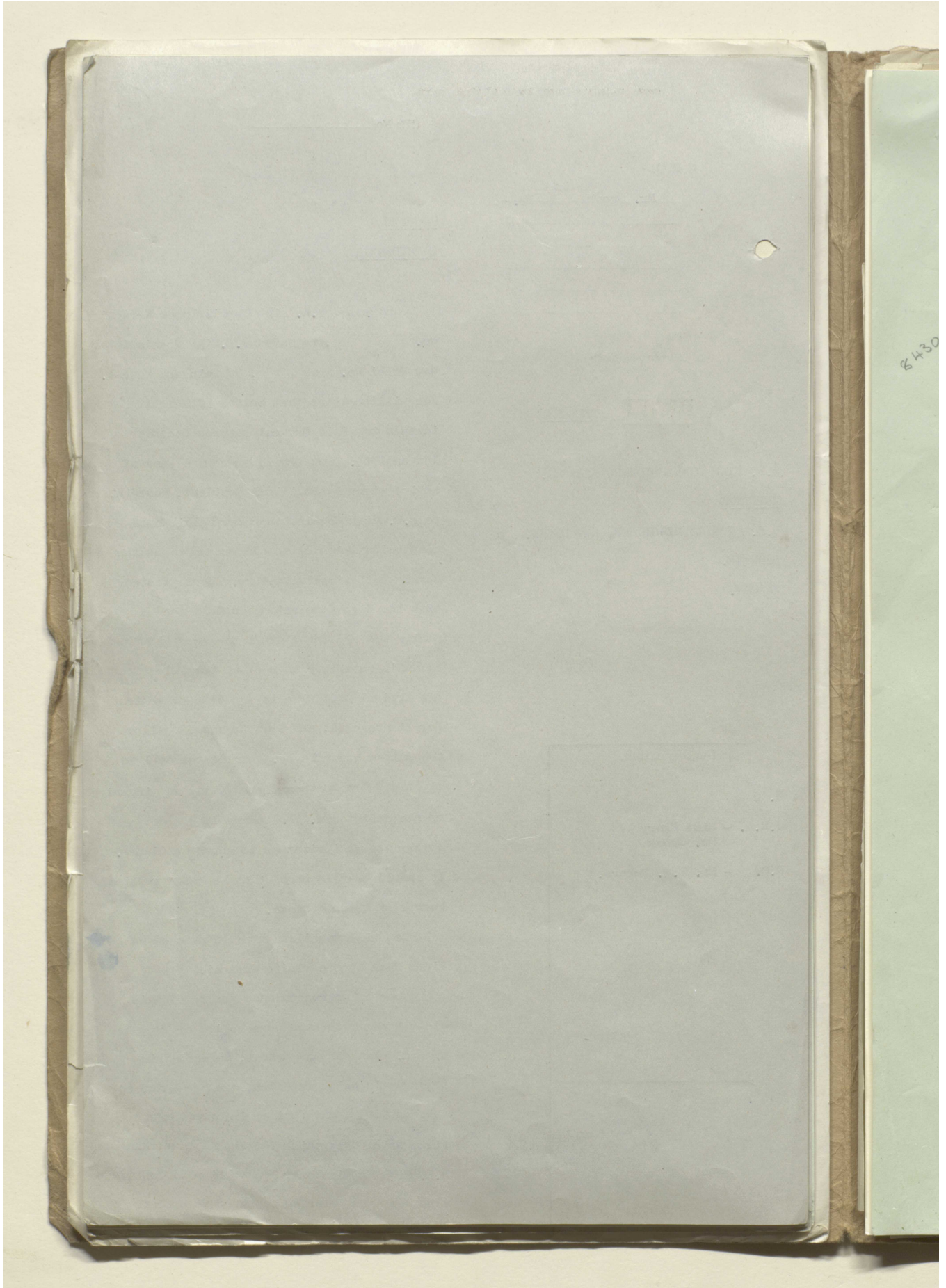
Further action.

D. *H* +  
C.R.O. - Miss Emery  
Mr. Crook  
F.O. - Mr. T.E. Rogers.

2. You will doubtless wish to proceed on same lines when Sultan visits Karachi.

3. None of correspondence about Sultan's visit appears to have been copied or repeated to you. Bahrein and Muscat, to whom this telegram is being repeated, are requested to pass on to you any further information about visit which they think you should have, and U.K. High Commissioner New Delhi will doubtless also keep you informed of any developments of interest to you.

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**Outward Telegram from Commonwealth Relations Office**

SOUTH ASIAN DEPARTMENT

8466

CYPHER (SIMPLEX)

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TO: U.K. HIGH COMMISSIONER IN PAKISTAN

REPTD TO: U.K. HIGH COMMISSIONER IN INDIA  
DEPUTY HIGH COMMISSIONER IN BOMBAY  
BAHREIN  
MUSCAT

(SENT: 14.20 hours, 22nd October, 1949)

IMMEDIATE

No.2192 CONFIDENTIAL

Addressed to U.K.High Commissioner in Pakistan No.2192, repeated to U.K.High Commissioner in India No.3100, Deputy High Commissioner in Bombay No.190 (Delhi please pass to Bombay), Bahrein and Muscat. (Immediate).

Following is text of Muscat telegram to Foreign Office No.1396 of 20th October.

Begins: British India Steam Navigation S.S. 'Dwarka' with Sultan of Muscat leaves for Bombay via Karachi 21st inst. Expected arrival Bombay 25th. Precise time and date arrival Bombay may kindly be ascertained from ships agents Bombay. Ends.

2. You will no doubt be able to ascertain from ships agents Karachi time of arrival and duration of stay. If you consider necessary please inform Government of Pakistan that Sultan is passing through Karachi and yourself pay any courtesies which you think fit.

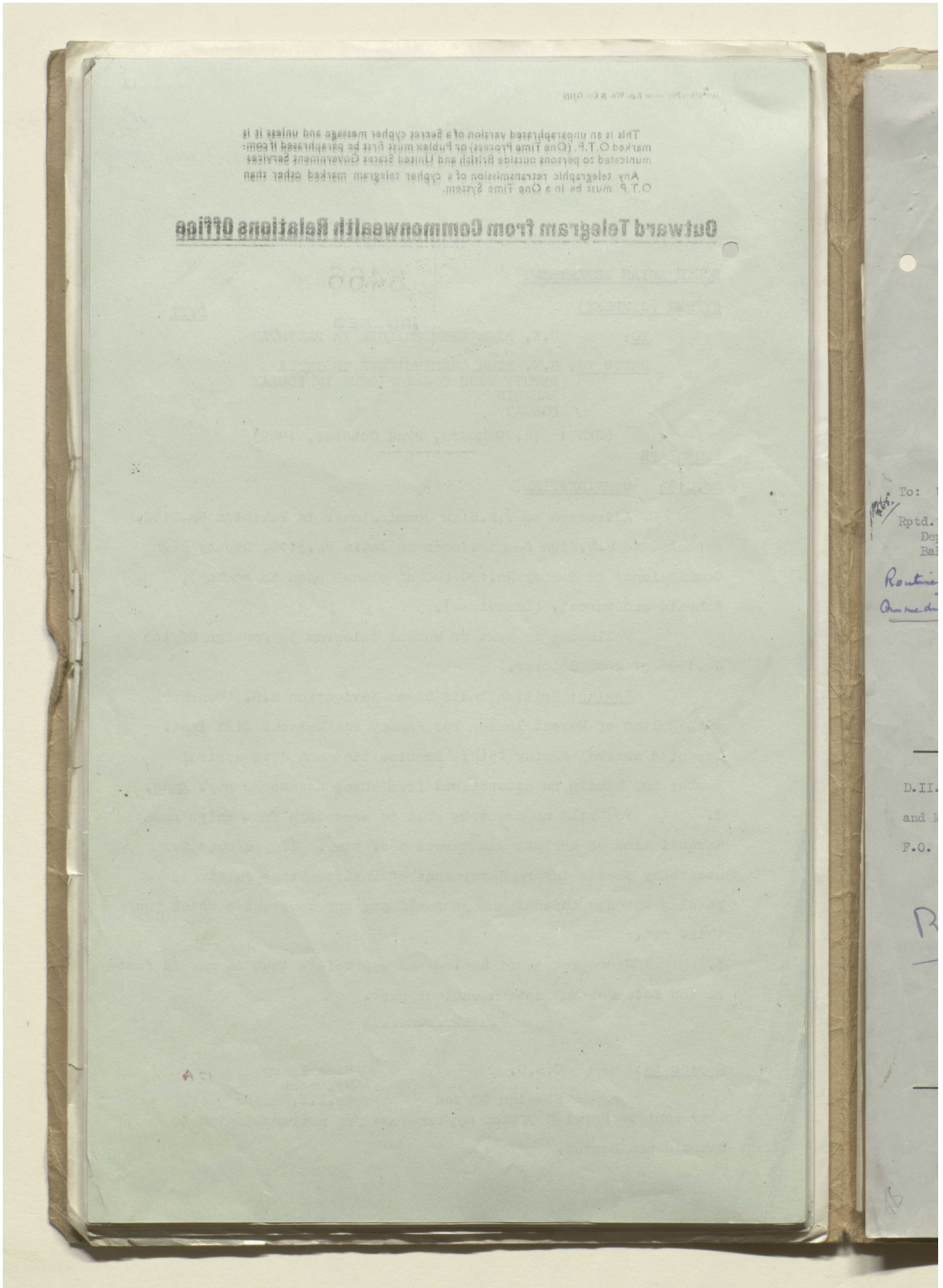
3. We regret short notice and appreciate that it may in fact be too late for any action on your part.

Copies to: C.R.O.

Miss Emery  
Mr. Crook  
Mr. T.E. Rogers

Copy sent to Foreign Office Cypher Room for retransmission to Bahrein and Muscat.





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C.R.O.

Mr. Crook *C. 22/10*

*Sl. E. 22/10*  
*Mr. M. 22/10*  
*22/10*

IMMEDIATE

CONFIDENTIAL

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Addressed U.K.H.C. Karachi No. *2192*

repeated U.K.H.C. New Delhi No. *3100* Deputy H.C.

Bombay No. *190* Bahran and Muscat *(9 months)*

Parly. U.S. of S.  
Secretary of State

**DRAFT**

TELEGRAM

To: U.K.H.C. Karachi

Rptd. U.K.H.C. New Delhi,  
Deputy H.C. Bombay,  
Bahran, and Muscat.

*Route to N.D. & Bombay.*  
*Immediate to Bahran & Muscat.*

*Begins.* Following is text of Muscat tele-  
gram to Foreign Office No. 1396 of 20th October.

*Begins.* British India Steam Navigation S.S. 'DWARKA'  
with Sultan of Muscat leaves for Bombay via  
Karachi *21st inst. 0* Expected arrival Bombay 25th.

Precise time and date arrival Bombay may kindly  
be ascertained from ships agents Bombay. Ends.

*2. Suggest you ascertain from ships agents*  
Karachi time of arrival and duration of stay  
*and if you consider necessary please* inform Government  
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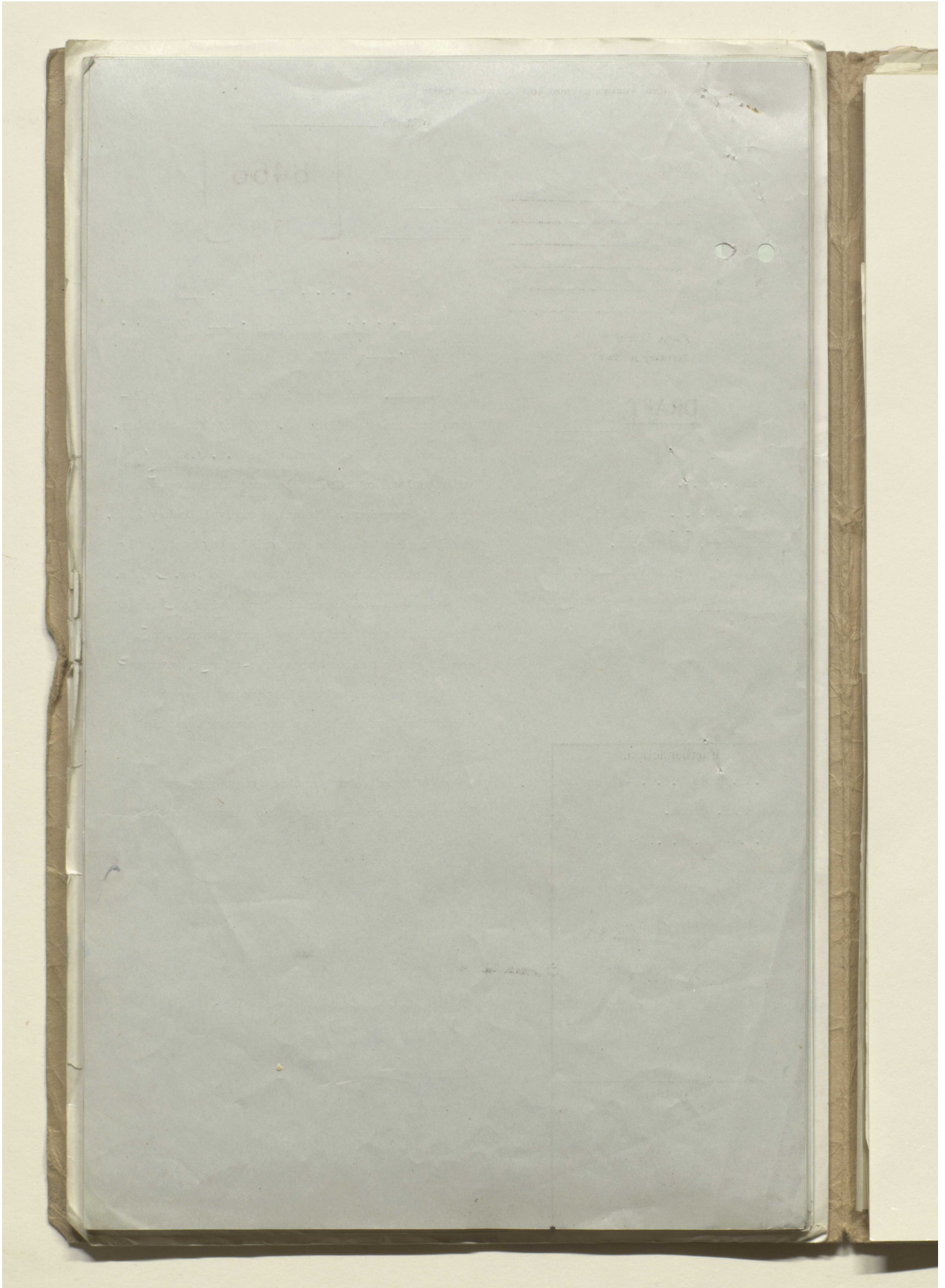
D.II. plus C.R.O. - Miss Eney  
and Mr. Crook.

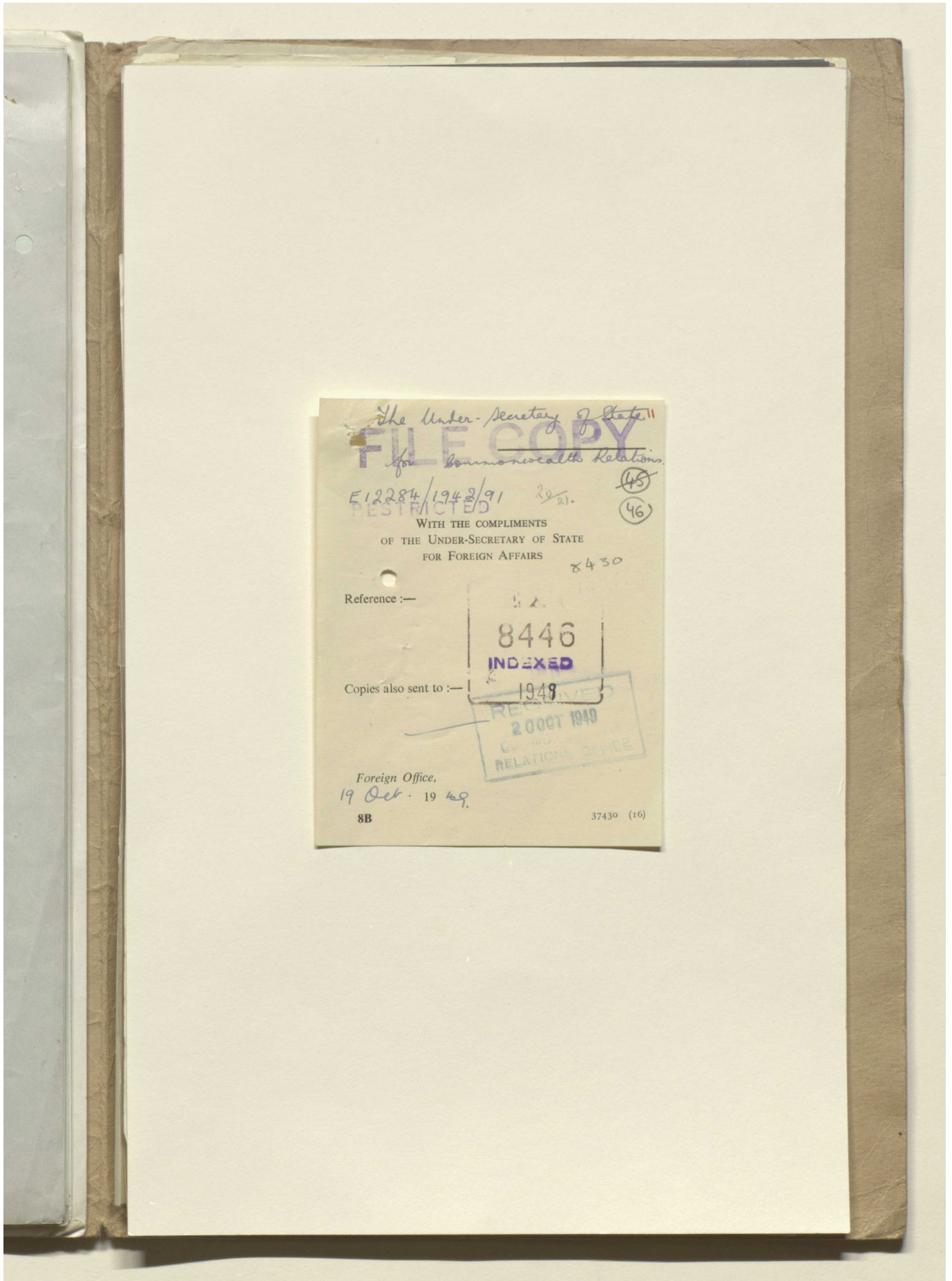
F.O. - Mr. T.E. Rogers.

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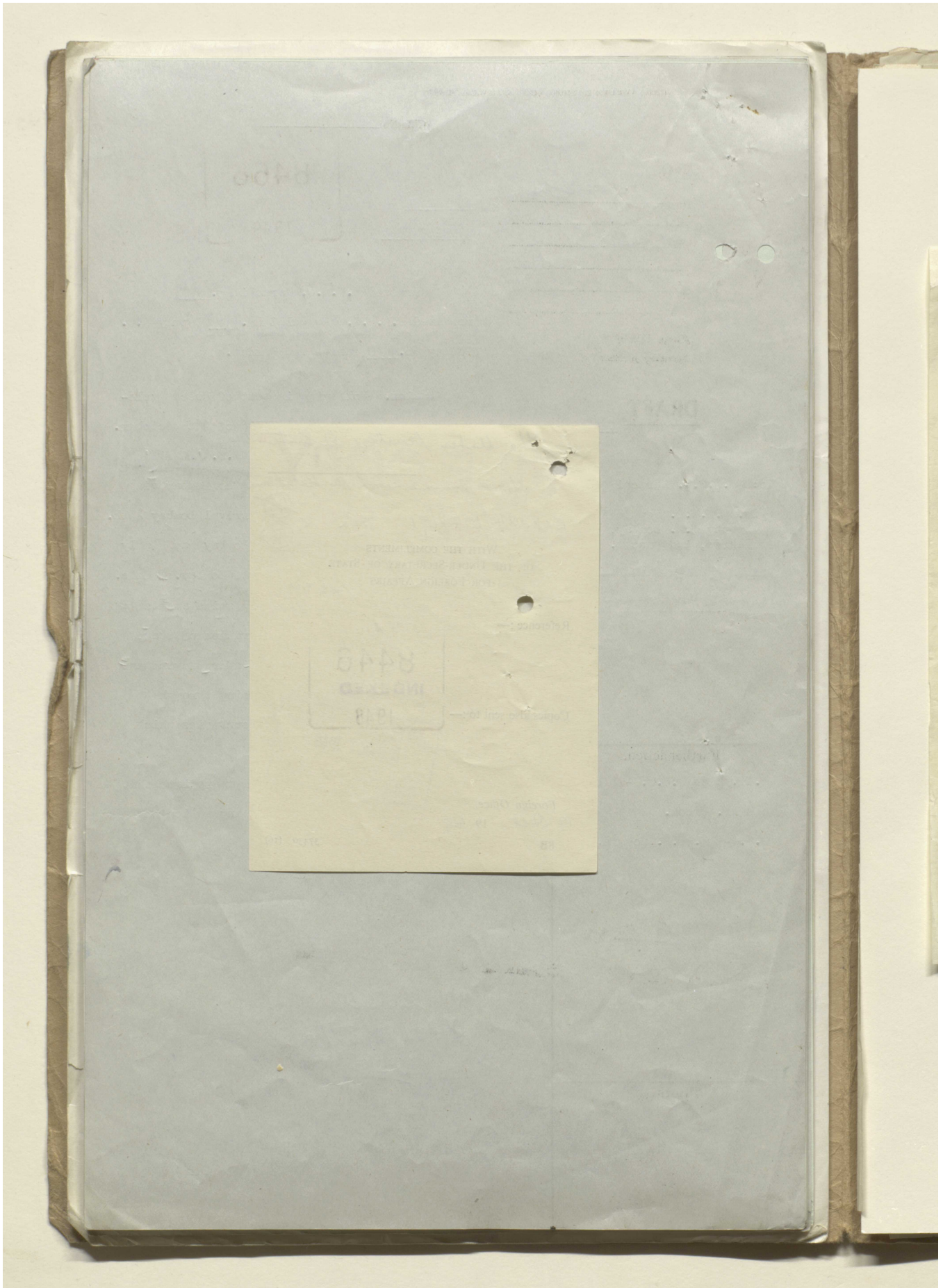
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AT *1430* ON *22/10*  
BY *[Signature]*

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Persian Gulf Residency,  
Bahrain.

28th September, 1949.

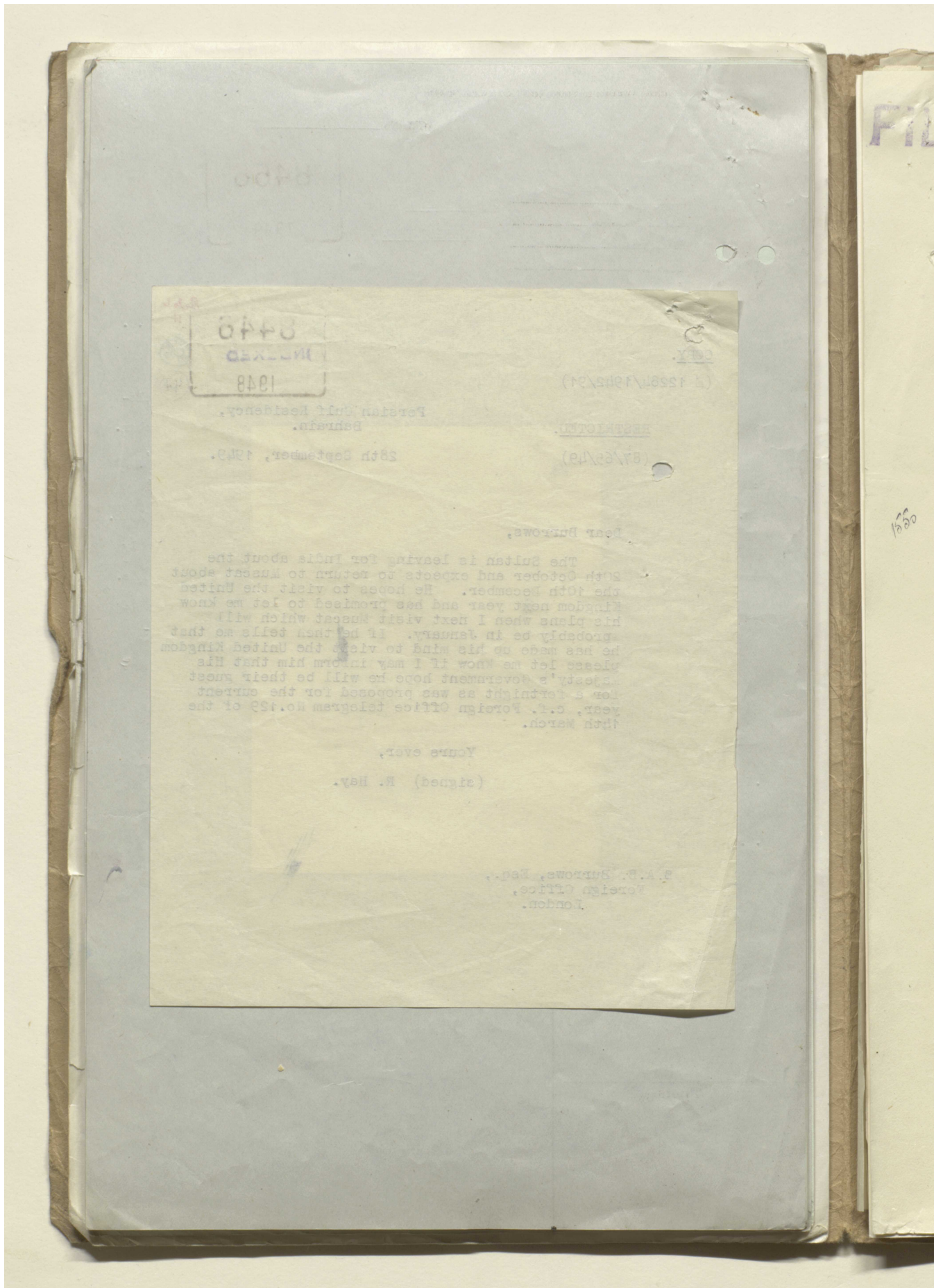
Dear Burrows,

The Sultan is leaving for India about the 20th October and expects to return to Muscat about the 10th December. He hopes to visit the United Kingdom next year and has promised to let me know his plans when I next visit Muscat which will probably be in January. If he then tells me that he has made up his mind to visit the United Kingdom please let me know if I may inform him that His Majesty's Government hope he will be their guest for a fortnight as was proposed for the current year, c.f. Foreign Office telegram No.129 of the 14th March.

Yours ever,

(signed) R. Hay.

B.A.B. Burrows, Esq.,  
Foreign Office,  
London.



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D.II.

CYPHER (SIMPLEX)

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FROM: U.K. HIGH COMMISSIONER IN PAKISTAN

D. KARACHI, 18.15 hours, 18th October 1949  
R. " " " " " " " "

IMMEDIATE

No.1553. CONFIDENTIAL.

My immediately preceding telegram. Following is text of message for transmission to Muscat.

BEGINS: Your telegram of 15th October. We use this means of transport only in an emergency. ENDS.

NOTE BY TELEGRAPH BRANCH.

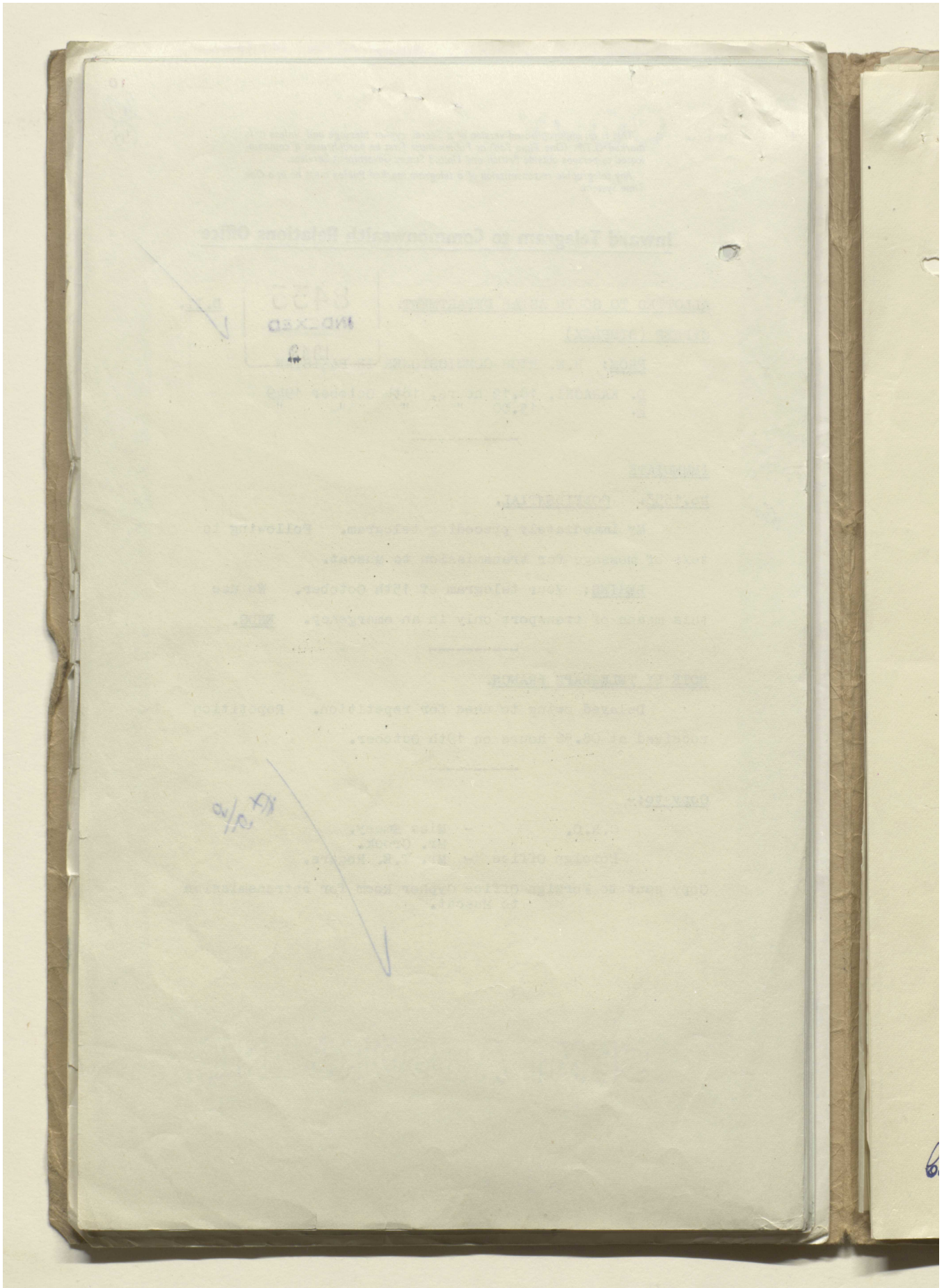
Delayed owing to need for repetition. Repetition received at 08.56 hours on 19th October.

Copy to:-

C.R.O. - Miss Emery.  
Mr. Crook.  
Foreign Office - Mr. T.E. Rogers.

Copy sent to Foreign Office Cypher Room for retransmission to Muscat.





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CYPHER (SIMPLEX)

FROM: U. K. HIGH COMMISSIONER IN PAKISTAN

D. KARACHI, 17.45 hours, 18th October, 1949

R. 14.58 hours, 18th October, 1949

IMMEDIATE

No. 1552 CONFIDENTIAL

I have received following personal unnumbered telegram, dated 15th October, from Political Agent, Muscat, in G.T.C. Code. BEGINS.

Kindly cable urgently whether you can recommend Sultan of Muscat travelling Bombay, Karachi, return by one of Pakistan Air Lines. Pakistan Government are proposing flying him accordingly when he pays visit in December. ENDS

2. My immediately following telegram contains text of reply which I should be grateful if you will have transmitted to Muscat in Cypher. While I am not repeat not prepared to recommend that Sultan should travel by aircraft of a Pakistan Air Line, you will appreciate my anxiety that my disparaging opinion should not repeat not be disclosed to Pakistan Government. I hope therefore that Political Agent, Muscat will be warned that he should not repeat not reveal that I have been consulted.

Copies to:-

C.R.O.

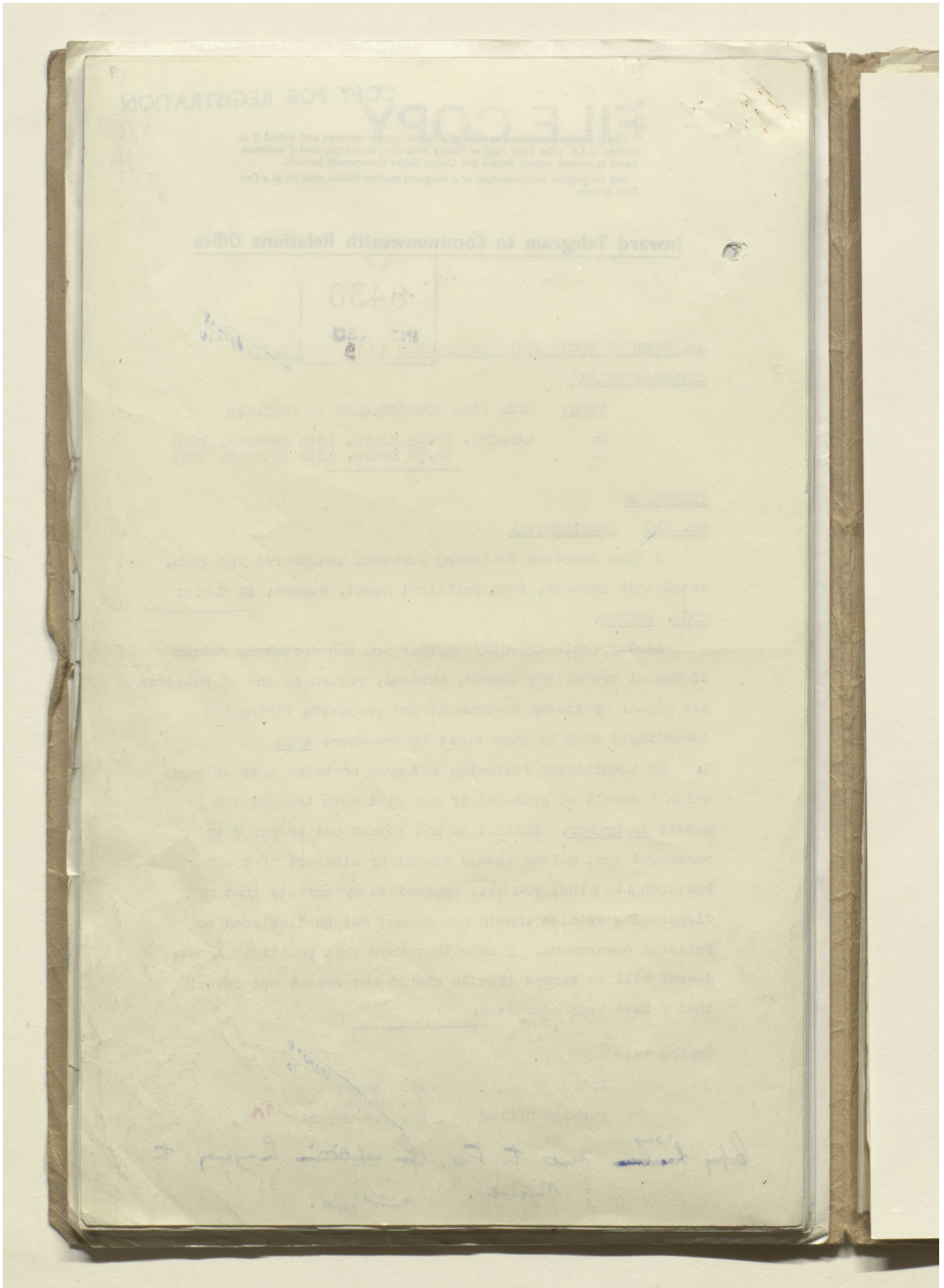
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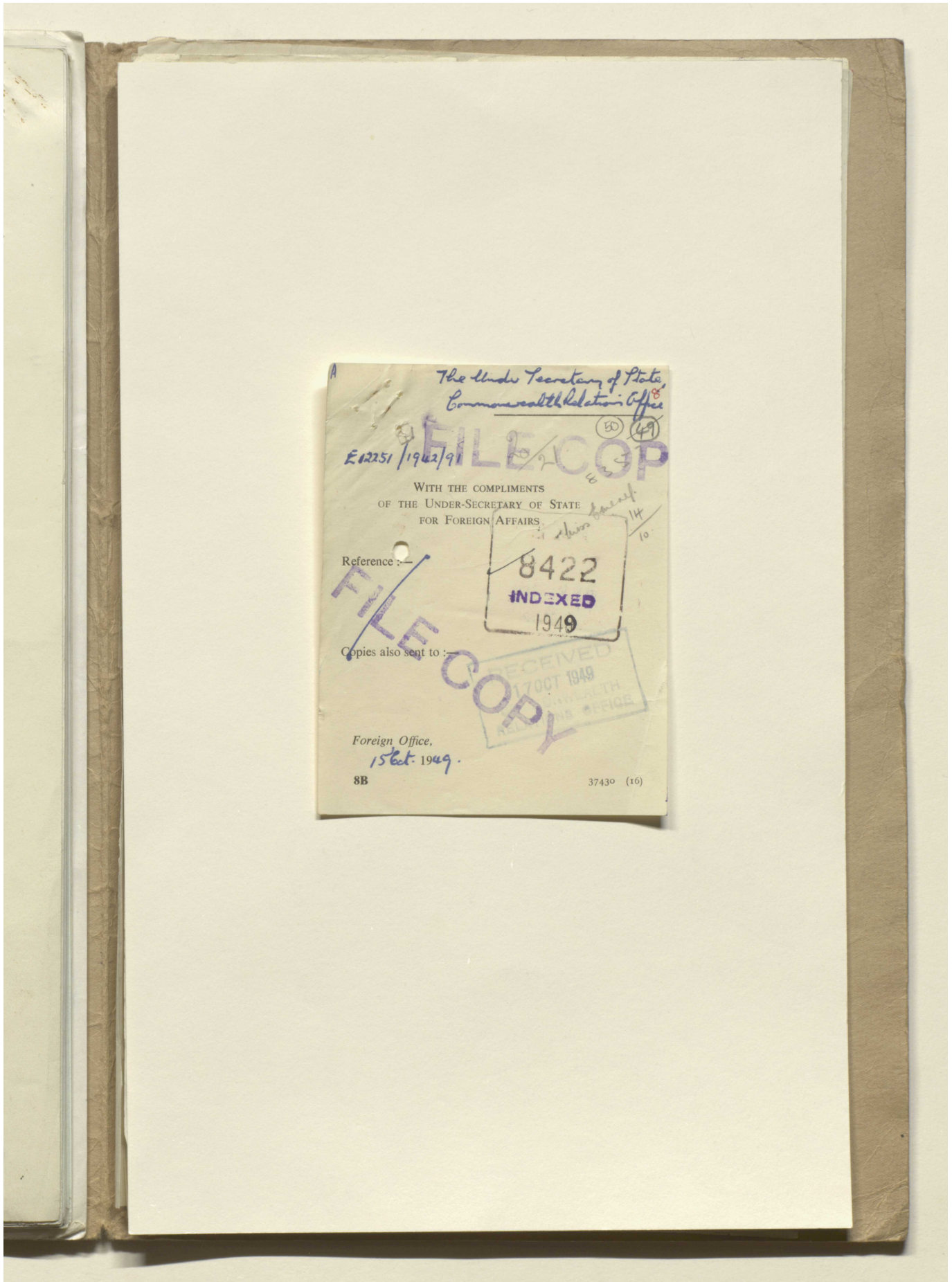
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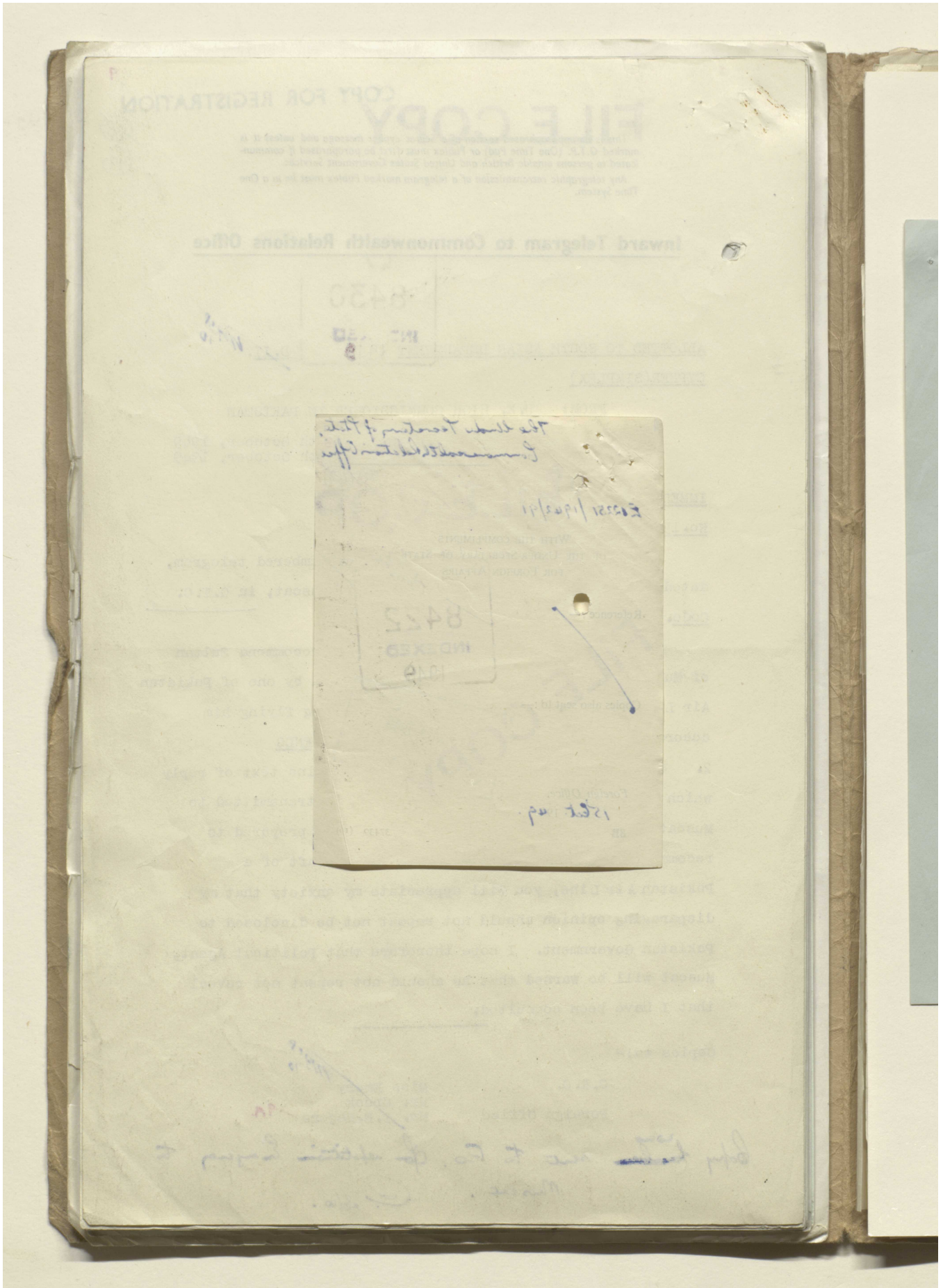
Mr. Crook

Mr. T. E. Rogers - 9A

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INWARD SAVING TELEGRAM.

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DEPARTMENTAL DISTRIBUTION.

FROM BAHREIN TO FOREIGN OFFICE.

Sir R. Hay.

No. 14. Saving.

R. 8th September, 1949.

25th August, 1949.

Addressed to Ministry of Foreign Affairs New Delhi telegram No. 10 of August 25th, repeated for information to U.K. H.C. New Delhi and Saving to Foreign Office and Muscat.

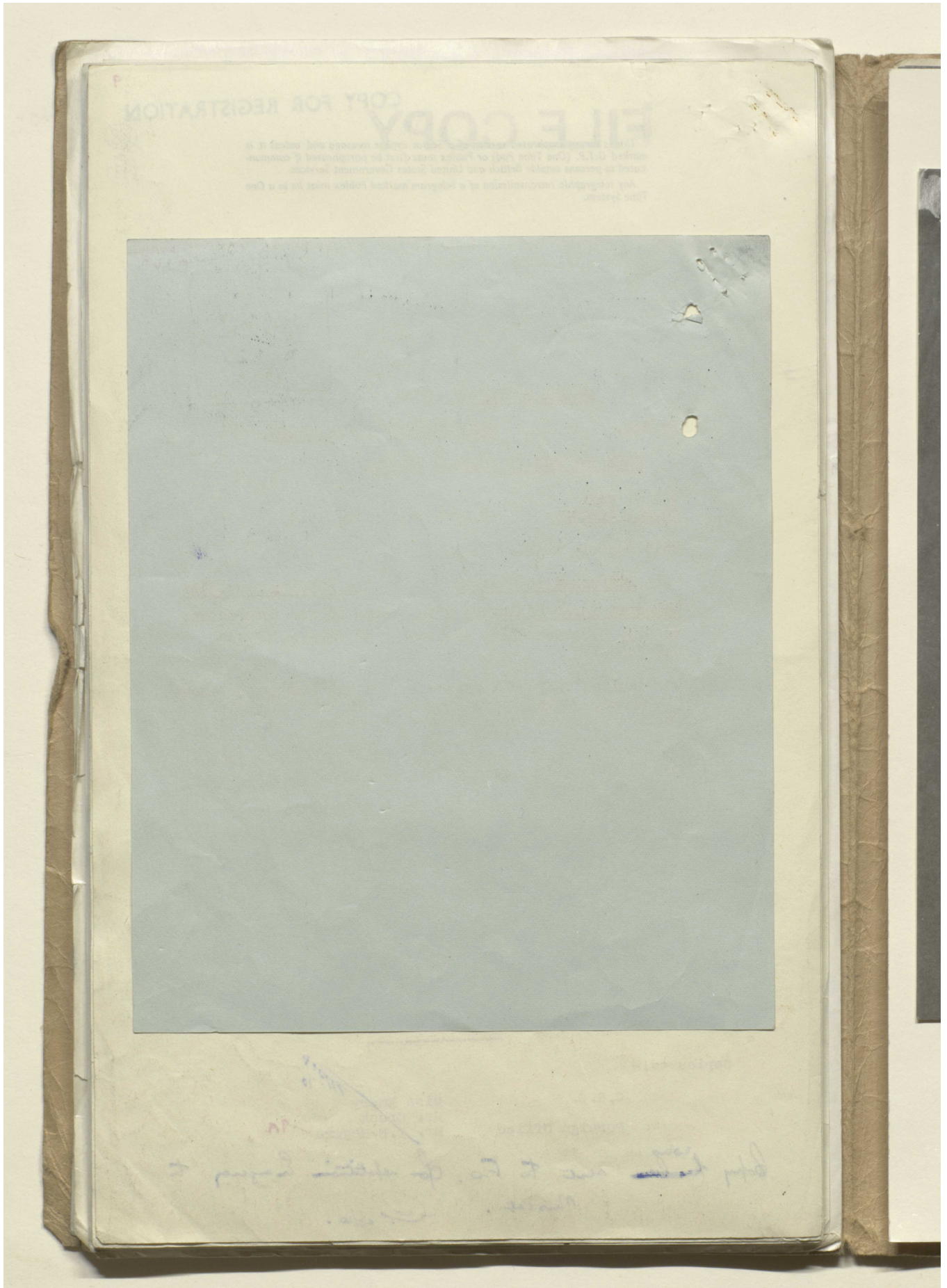
Sultan of Muscat proposes to visit Bombay for about six weeks, during which time he would like to visit Delhi. He leaves Muscat middle of October.

2. His visit is unofficial but I should be grateful if he could be accorded the usual facilities.

[Copy sent to Middle East Secretariat]

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**INWARD SAVING TELEGRAM.** *Post Bag No 40.*

Cypher *Bahrain*

Code "R" *010014*

Clear- *by conf bag.* **NO COPIES MADE**

From:— BAHRAIN To:— FOREIGN OFFICE, LONDON

Despatched 28/9/49 *12251* Received *10<sup>th</sup> Oct.*

No. 18 Saving. of 28th September, 1949

Addressed to Foreign, New Delhi, telegram No. 14 of 28th September, repeated for information to Foreign Office No. 18 Saving, Muscat No. 14 Saving and to United Kingdom High Commissioner, New Delhi, No. 3 Saving.

My telegram No. 10.

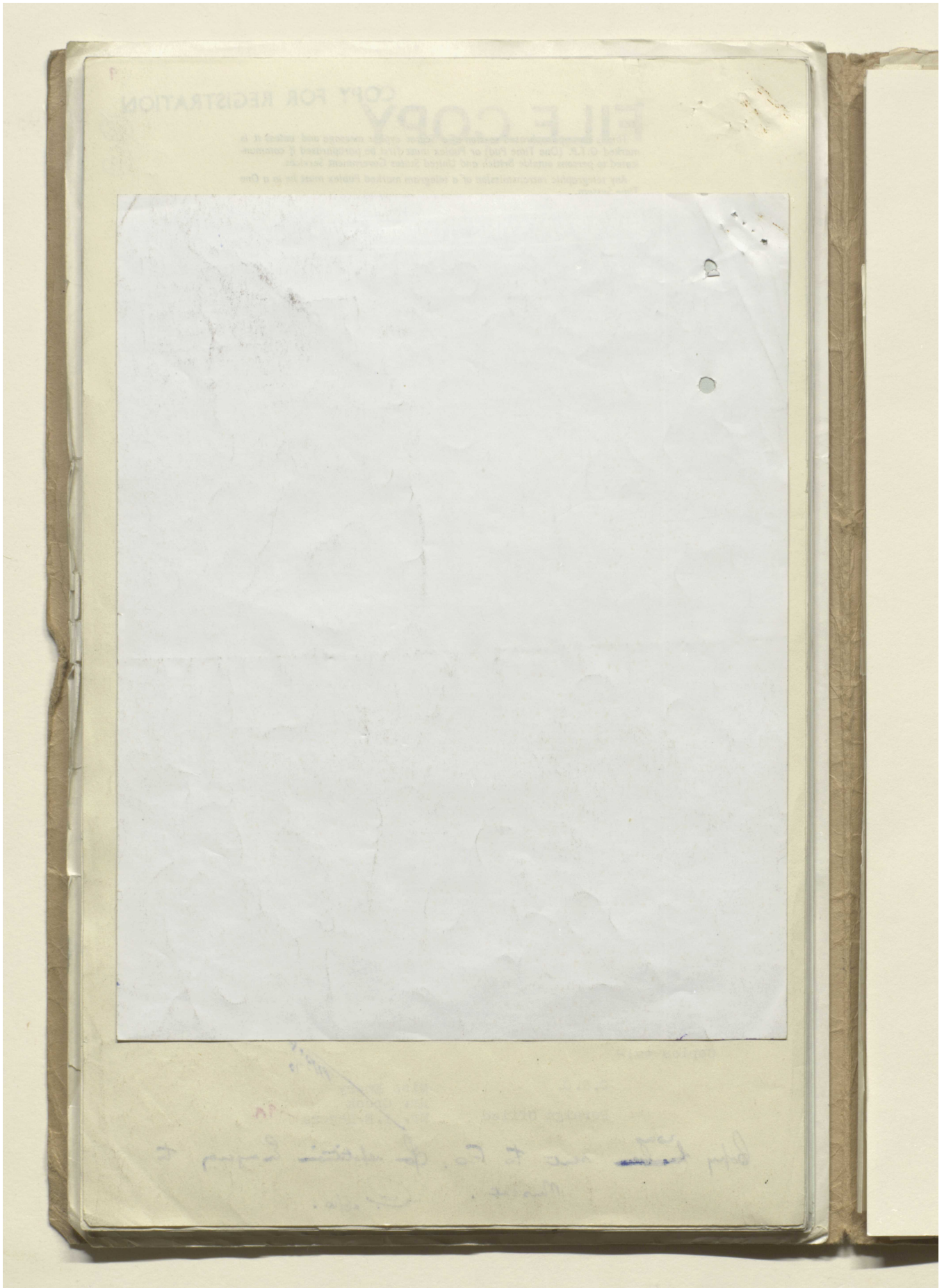
Sultan wishes to visit New Delhi for two or three days between November 15th and 30th. Please telegraph which date would be the most convenient. He has no present intention of discussing official business but may change his mind about this.

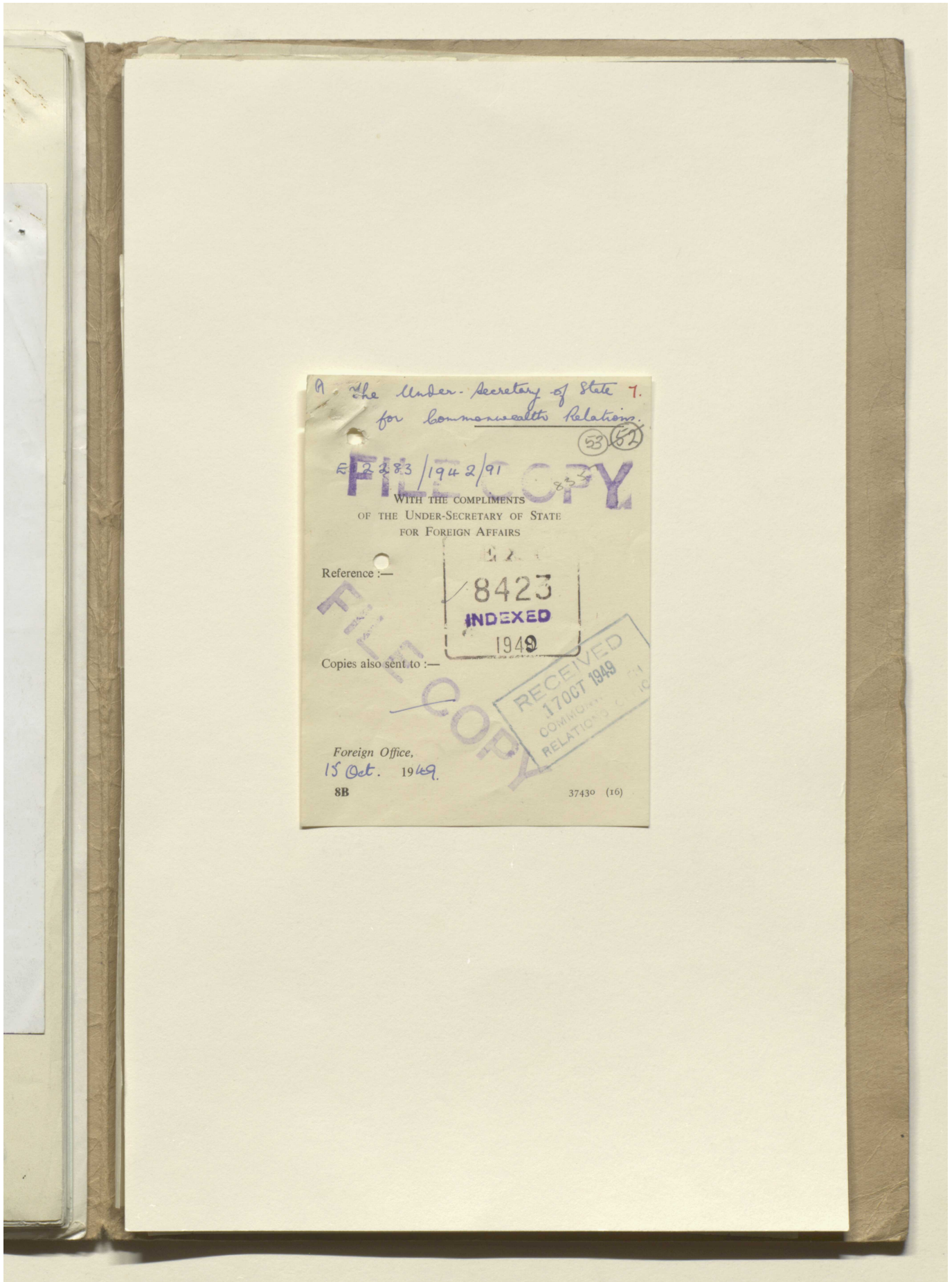
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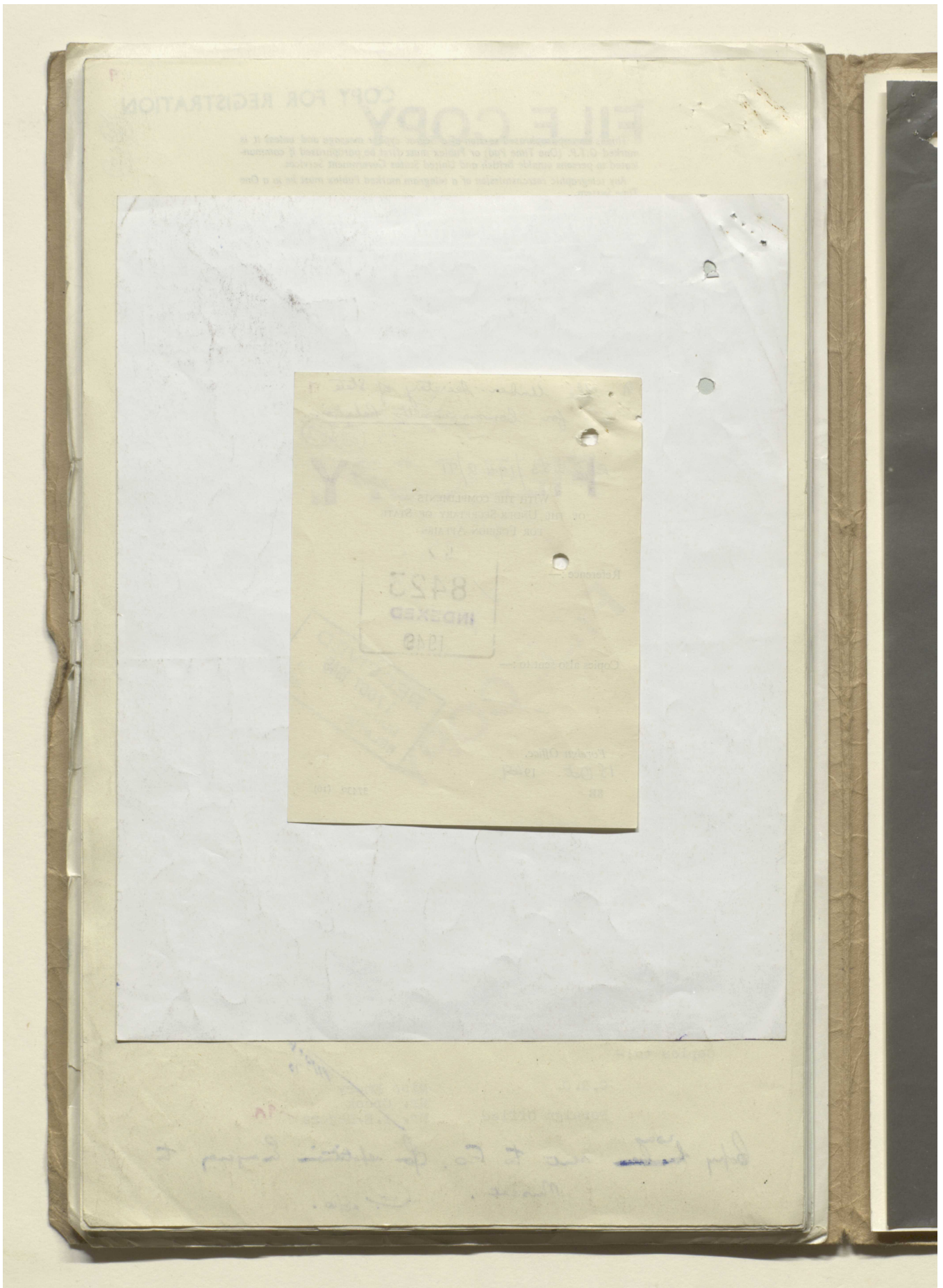
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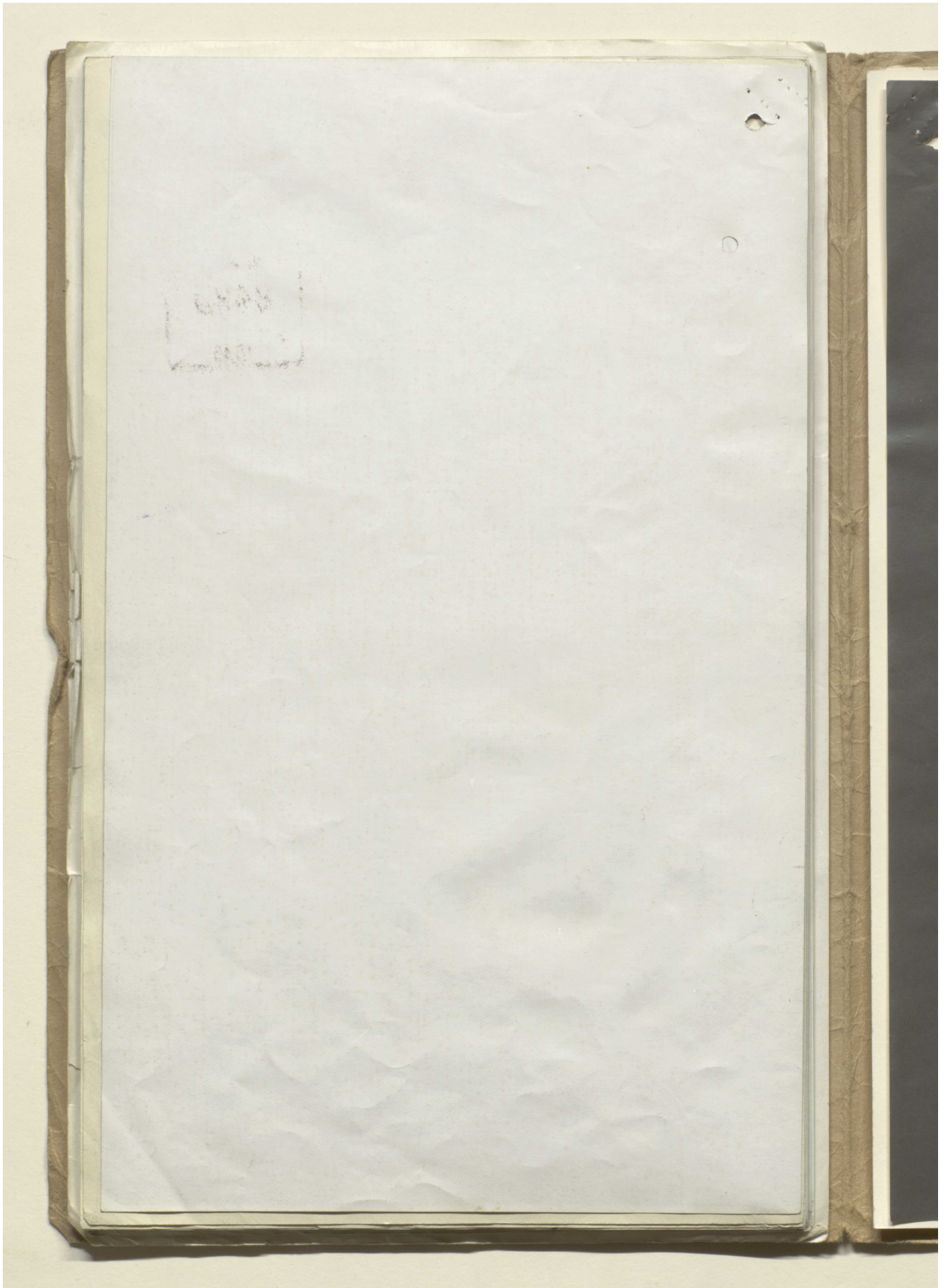
Telegram G.T.C.  
From Foreign, Karachi.  
To Political Resident, Bahrain.  
Telegram No. 3809  
Dated ? received 8/9/49.

PRIORITY

Your telegram No. 26.

Government of Pakistan will be pleased to accord all facilities to the Sultan of Muscat while landing at Karachi. They desire that His Highness may be requested to stay in Karachi for a few days as their guest on his return from Bombay by the end of November. The Governor General and Prime Minister will be both out of station during middle of October but they will be in Karachi from the end of November to December 7th. We should be grateful to know immediately whether His Highness accepts our invitation. In that case the programme of stay in Karachi may be intimated to enable them to make the necessary arrangements.

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Telegram Code "R"  
From Political Resident, Bahrain.  
To Government of Pakistan, Karachi.  
Telegram No. 29  
Dated the 21st September, 1949.

PRIORITY -

Your telegram 3809.

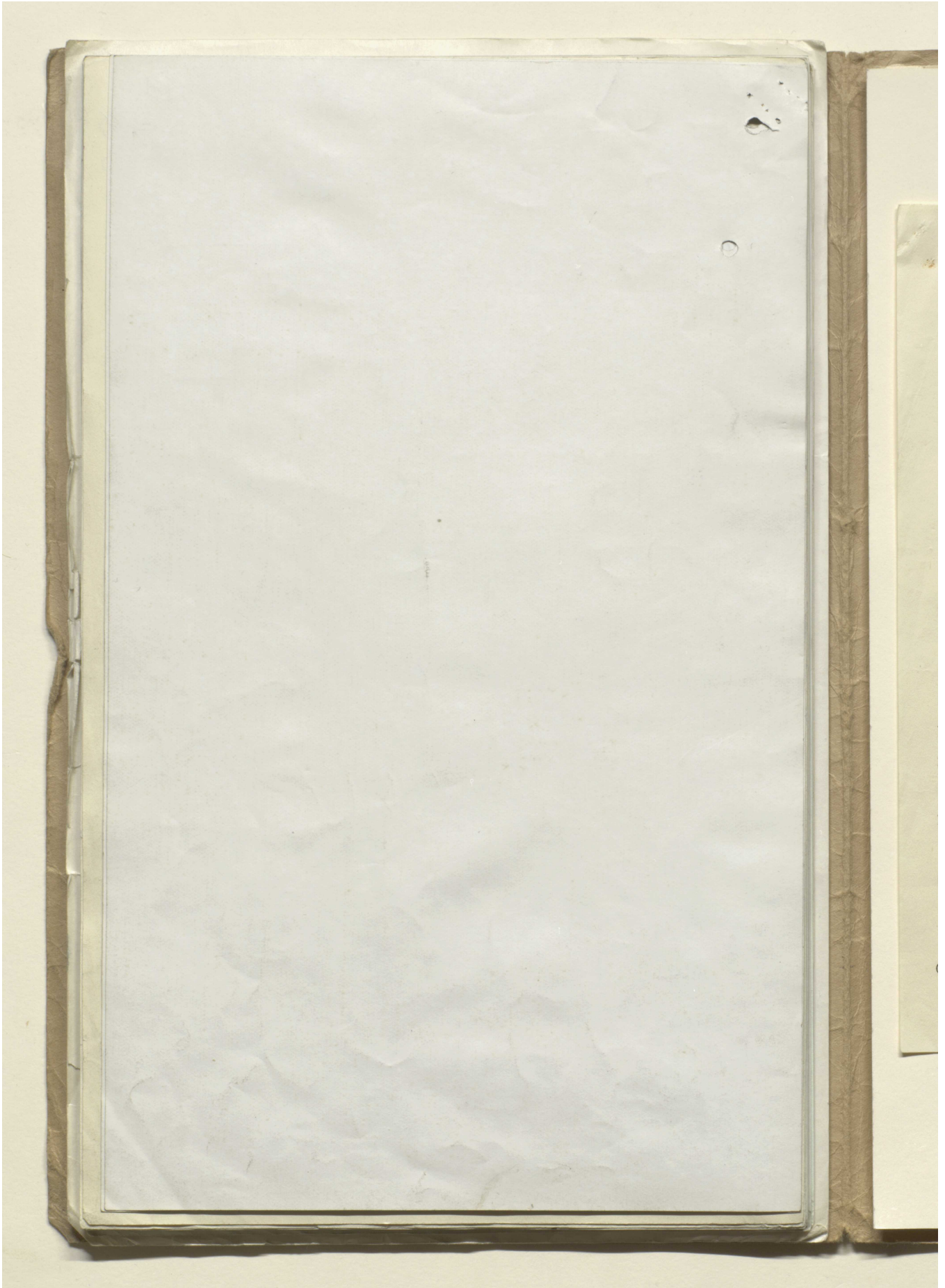
Following received from Muscat:-

Begins.

The Sultan thanks the Pakistan Government for their invitation but acceptance depends upon availability of air passages. He would like to fly from Bombay to Karachi on December 1st and return by air to Bombay on December 5th; he would require four seats on each occasion. The Sultan would be grateful to know if this can be arranged.

= HAY =

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**Inward Telegram to Commonwealth Relations Office**

ALLOTTED TO SOUTH ASIAN DEPT.  
CYPHER (SIMPLEX)

D. II 8323  
20/21  
Mr. Crook.

FROM: U.K. HIGH COMMISSIONER IN INDIA  
TO: POLITICAL RESIDENT, BAHRAIN

RPTD: COMMONWEALTH RELATIONS OFFICE  
FOREIGN OFFICE

D. New Delhi 15.30 hours 8th Oct., 1949  
R. " 00.10 hours 9th " 1949

No. X.1762

To Political Resident Bahrain X.6, repeated Commonwealth Relations Office No. X.1762, Foreign Office No. X.5. (Commonwealth Relations Office please pass to Bahrain and Foreign Office). Your telegram No. 5 regarding visit of Sultan of Muscat. Thank you for your most helpful advice. I would appreciate any information you have of actual date of Sultan's arrival in Bombay and skeleton programme if decided.

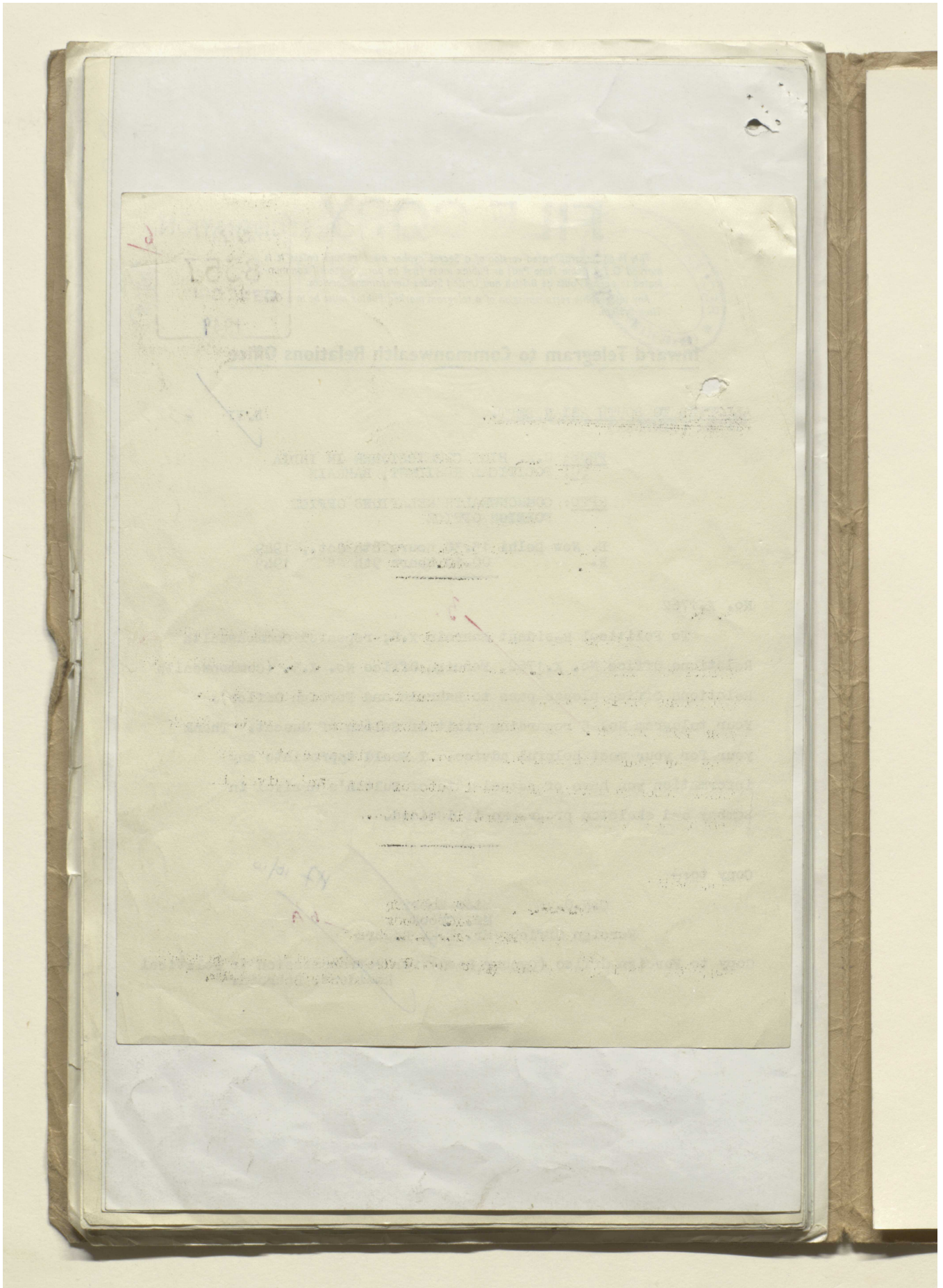
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C.R.O. Miss Emery  
Foreign Office Mr. Crook  
Mr. T.E. Rogers

Copy to Foreign Office (Cypher Room) for retransmission to Political Resident, Bahrain.

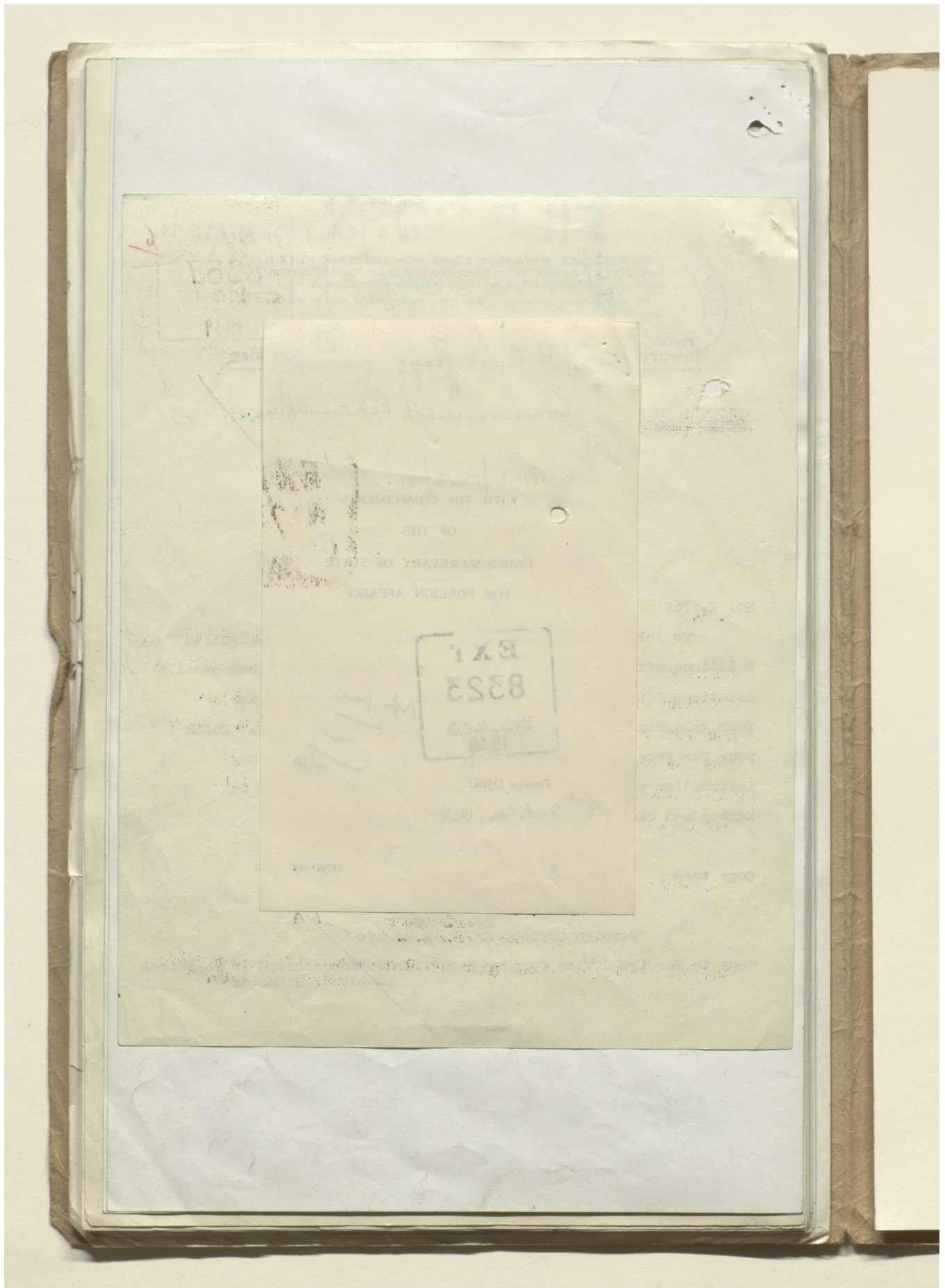
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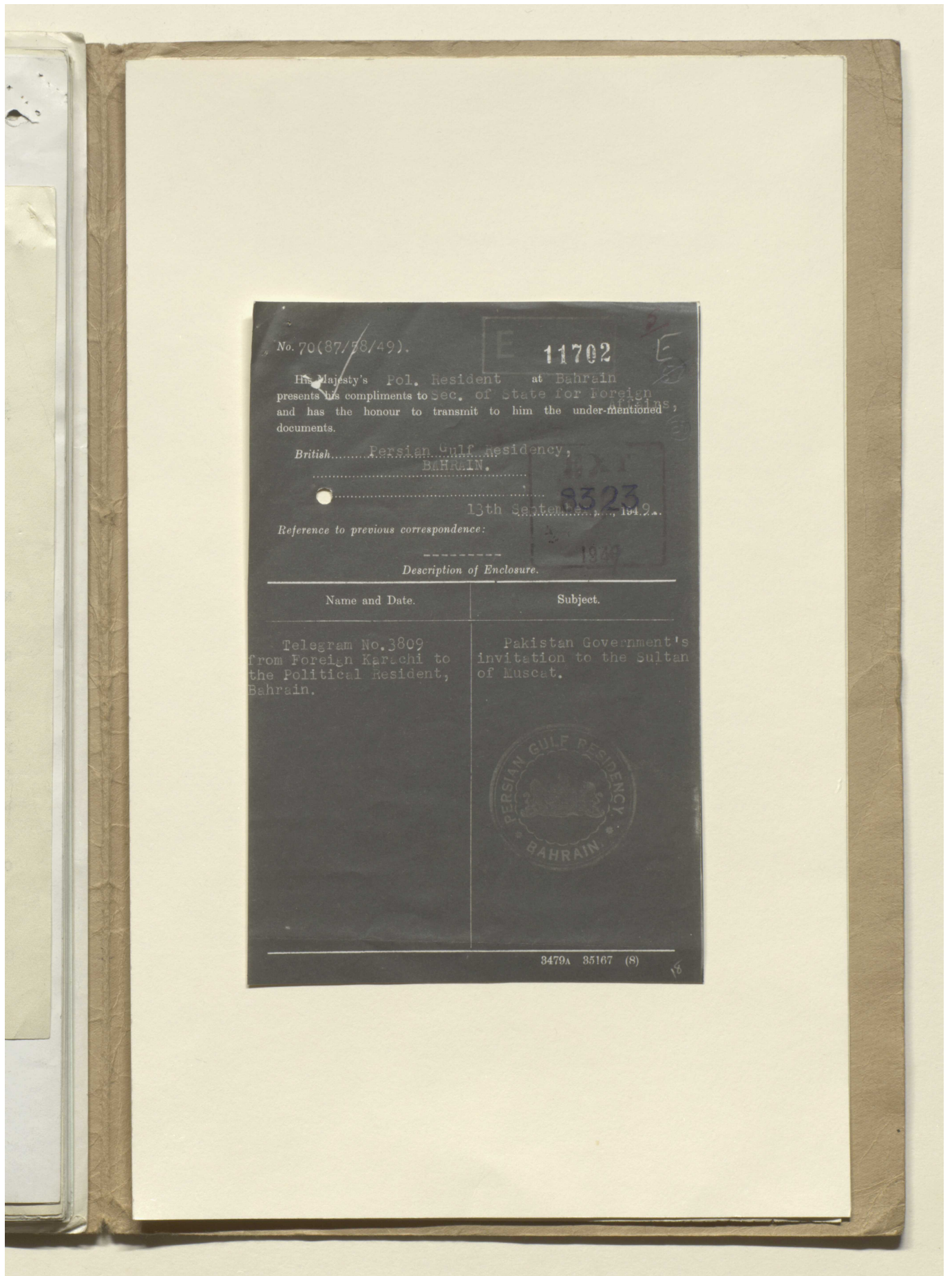






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No. 70(87/88/49).

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His Majesty's Pol. Resident at Bahrain  
presents his compliments to Sec. of State for Foreign  
and has the honour to transmit to him the under-mentioned  
documents.

British..... Persian Gulf Residency,  
BAHRAIN.

13th September, 1949.

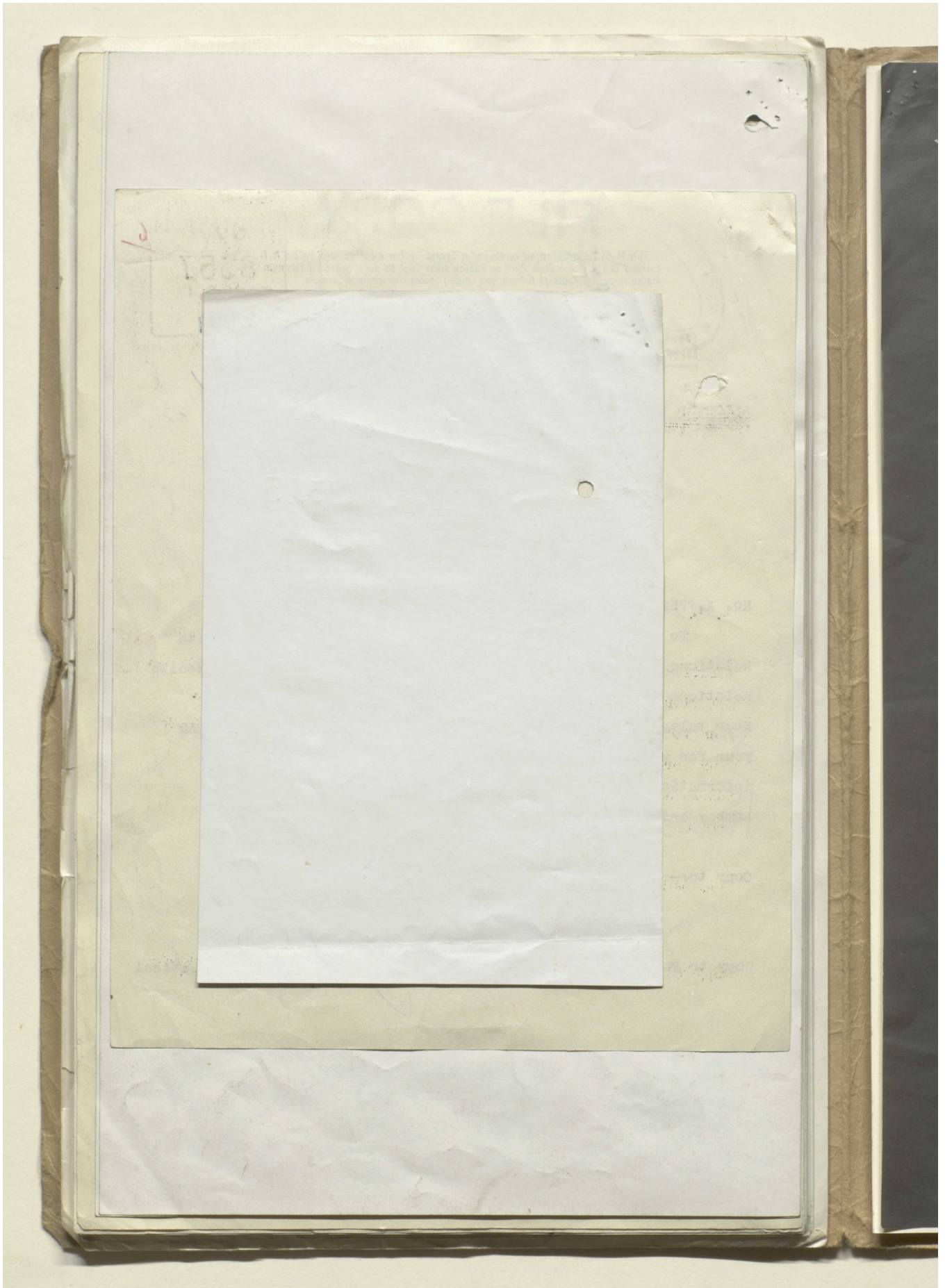
Reference to previous correspondence:

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Description of Enclosure.

Name and Date.	Subject.
Telegram No. 3809 from Foreign Karachi to the Political Resident, Bahrain.	Pakistan Government's invitation to the Sultan of Muscat.



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Coll 20/21 (2) 'Muscat: Royal Family' [59r] (117/136)

Telegram G.T.C.  
From Foreign, Karachi.  
To Political Resident, Bahrain.  
Telegram No. 3809.  
Dated received 8/9/49.

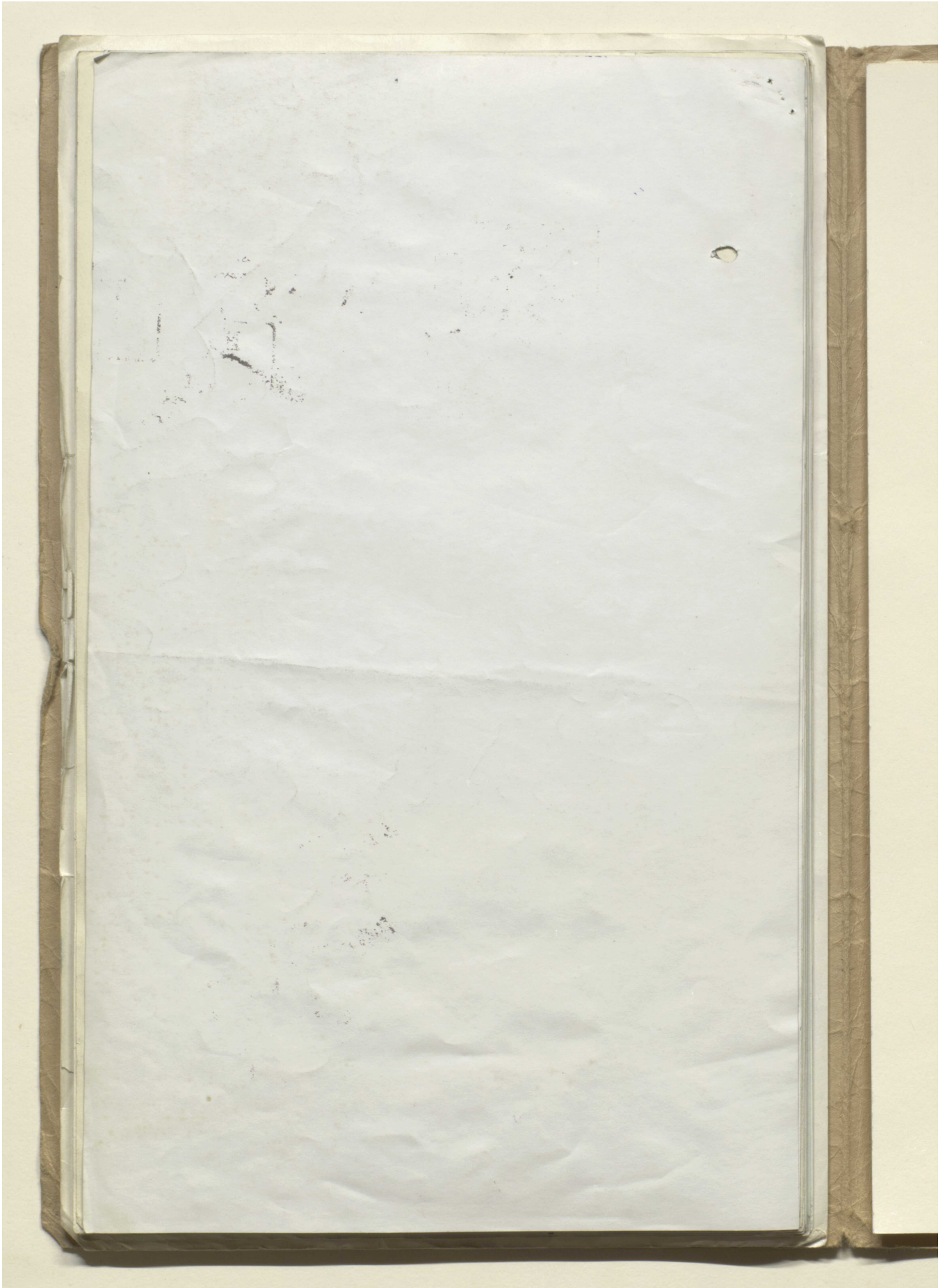
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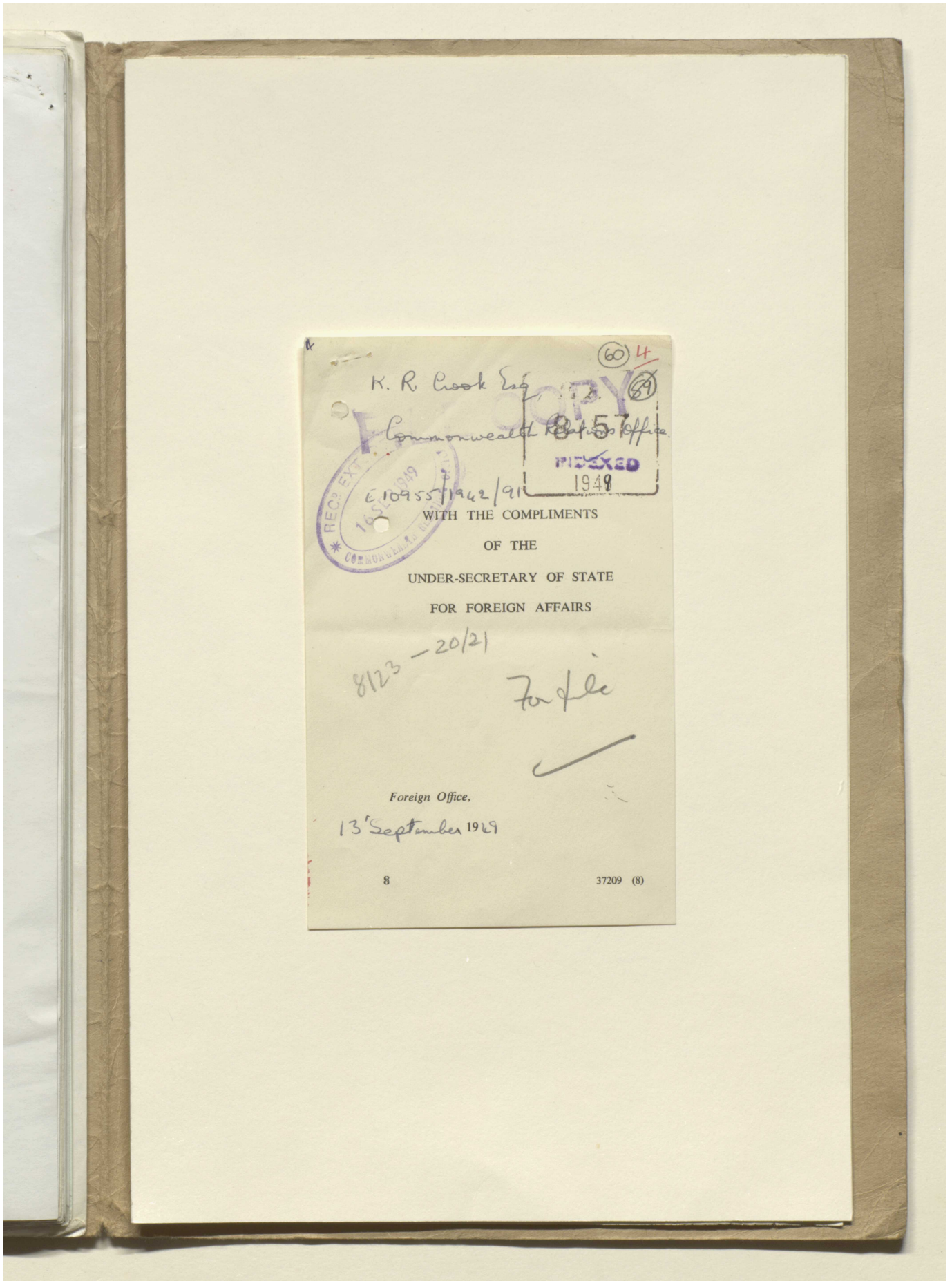
For Hay.

Your telegram No.26 of August 7th.

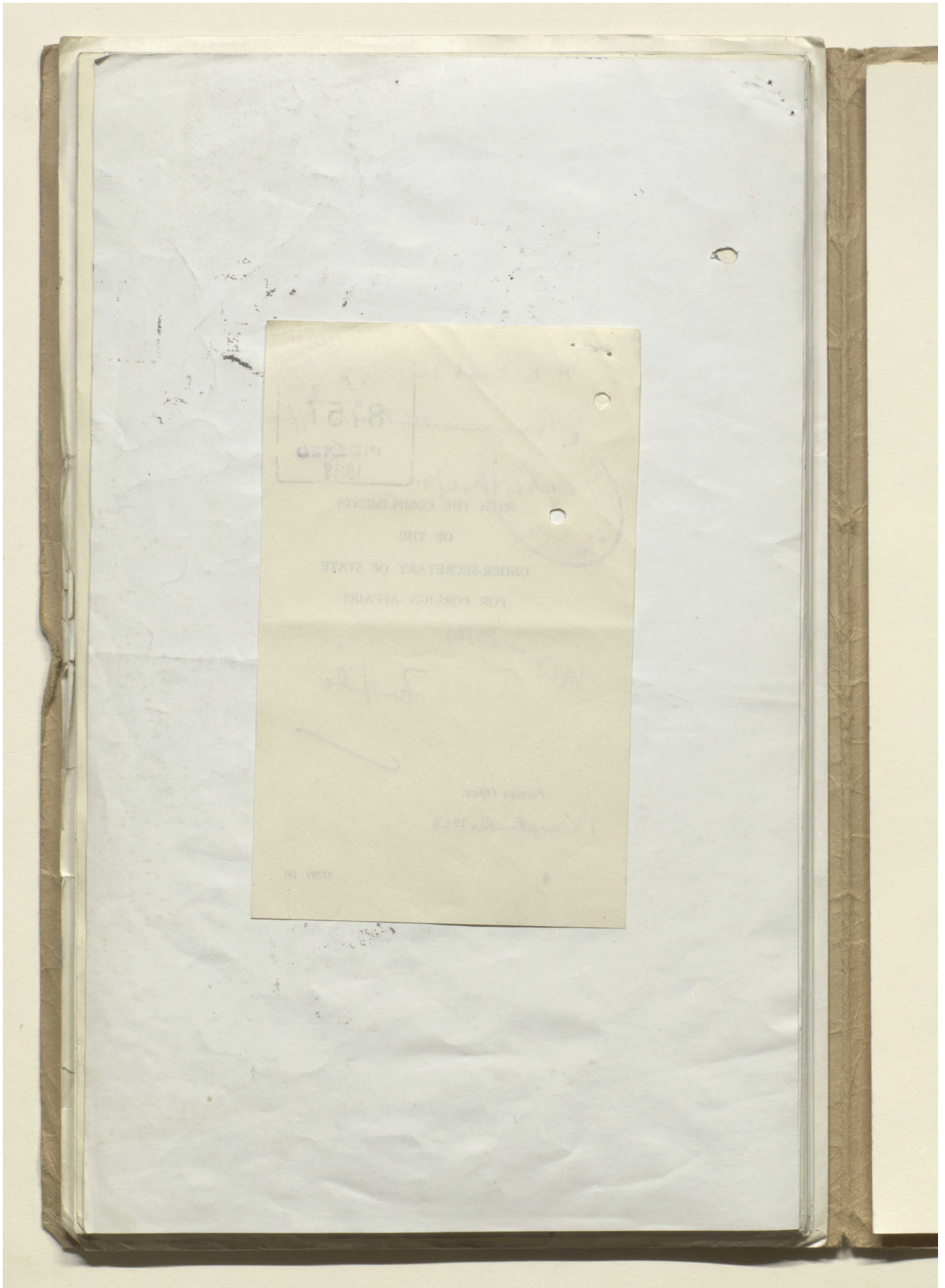
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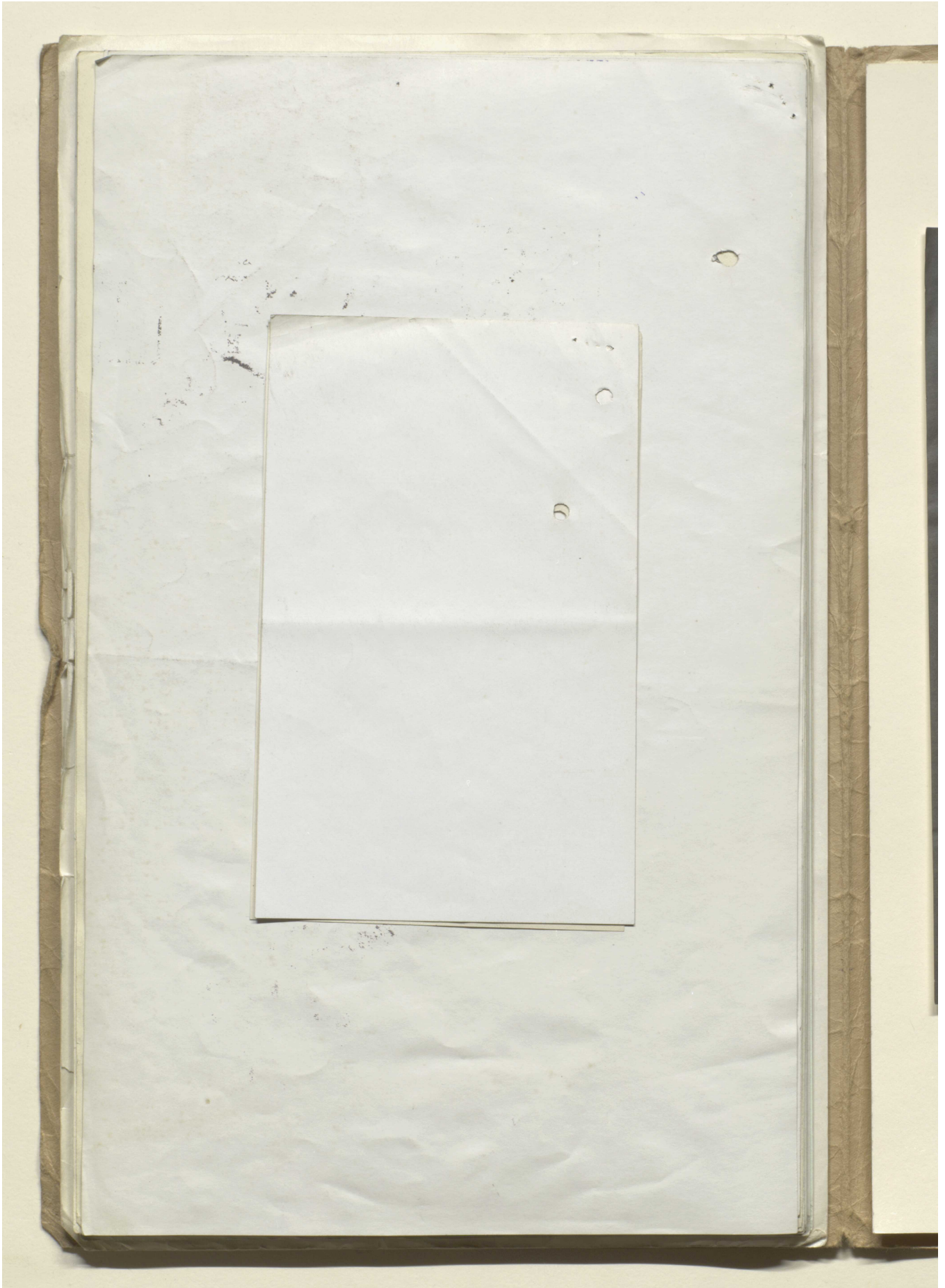






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Copy of letter 31/8/27/49 of the 9th August 1949 from Mr. R.McC. Andrew, Political Agent at Muscat to H.G. Jakins, Esq., Acting Political Resident in the Persian Gulf, Bahrain.

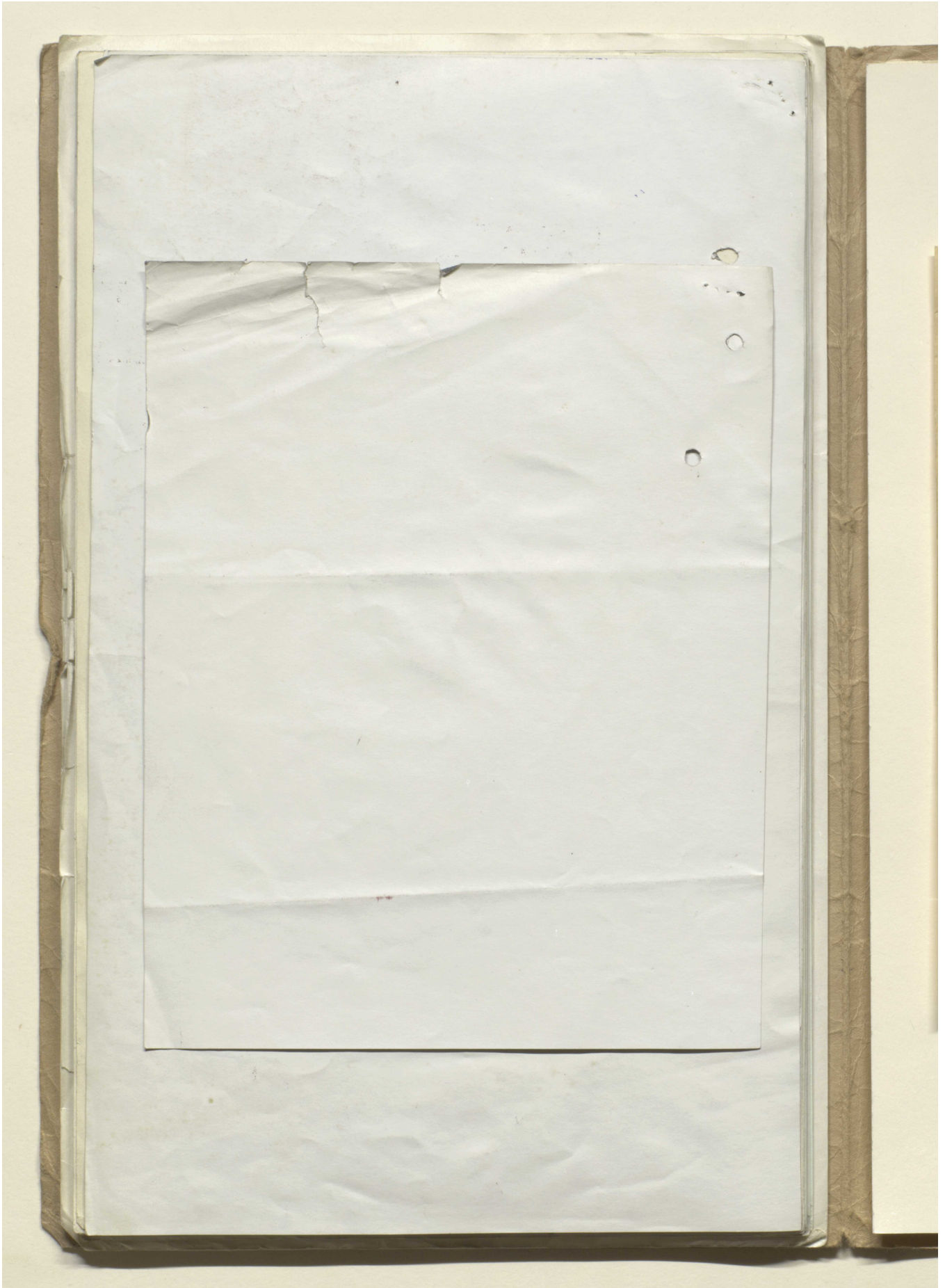
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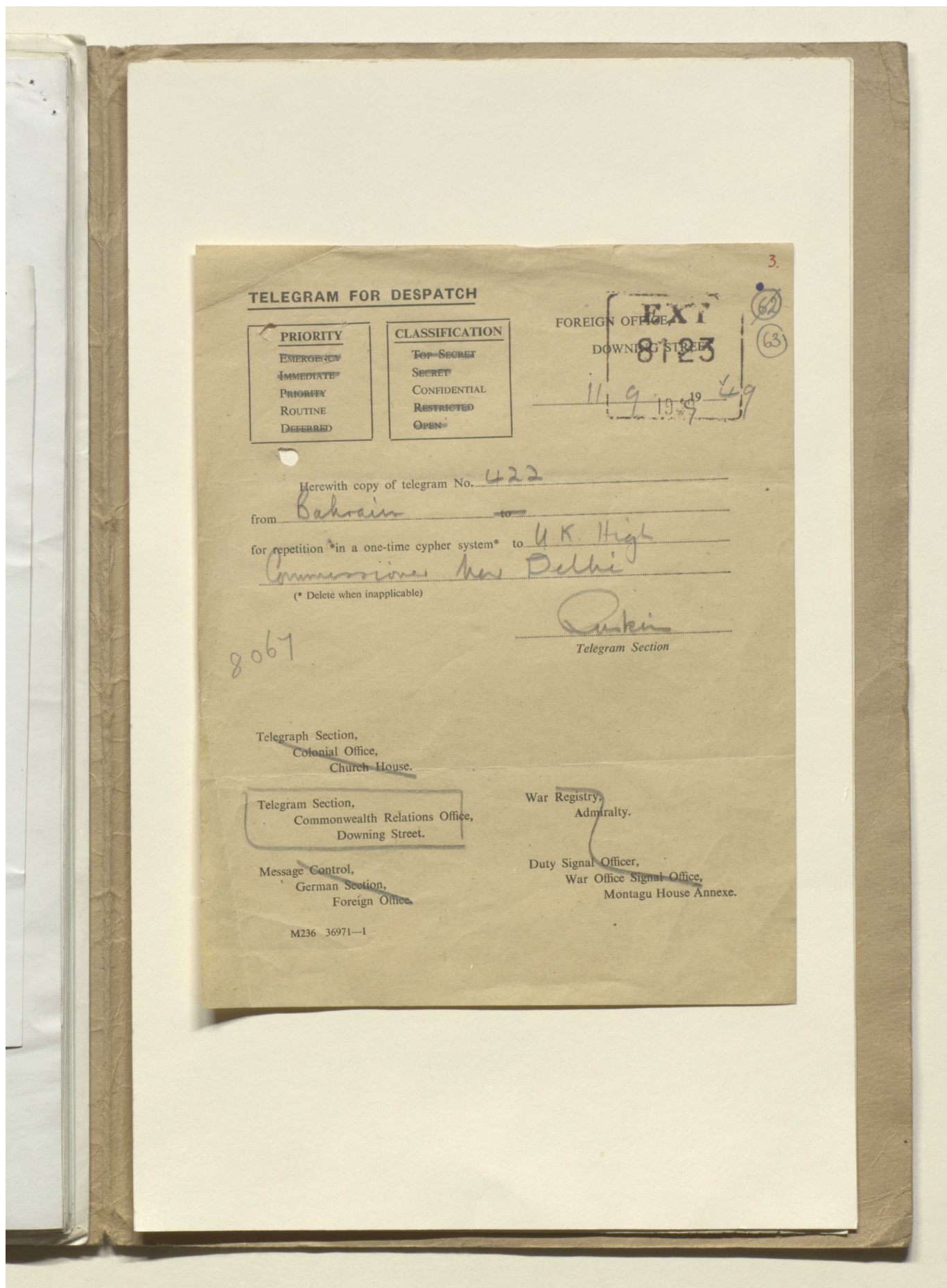
I think that Sir Rupert was aware that the Sultan intended going to India some time in the autumn, but you might be interested to know that he has now definitely (in so far as His Highness ever is definite) fixed his departure for Bombay in the middle of October.

2. He emphasises that the visit is unofficial, but adds that he intends to get in touch with members of the Government in Bombay and Delhi, as Muscat must always remain on friendly terms with India. It occurs to me that he may use the opportunity to explore the ground for a new treaty with India.

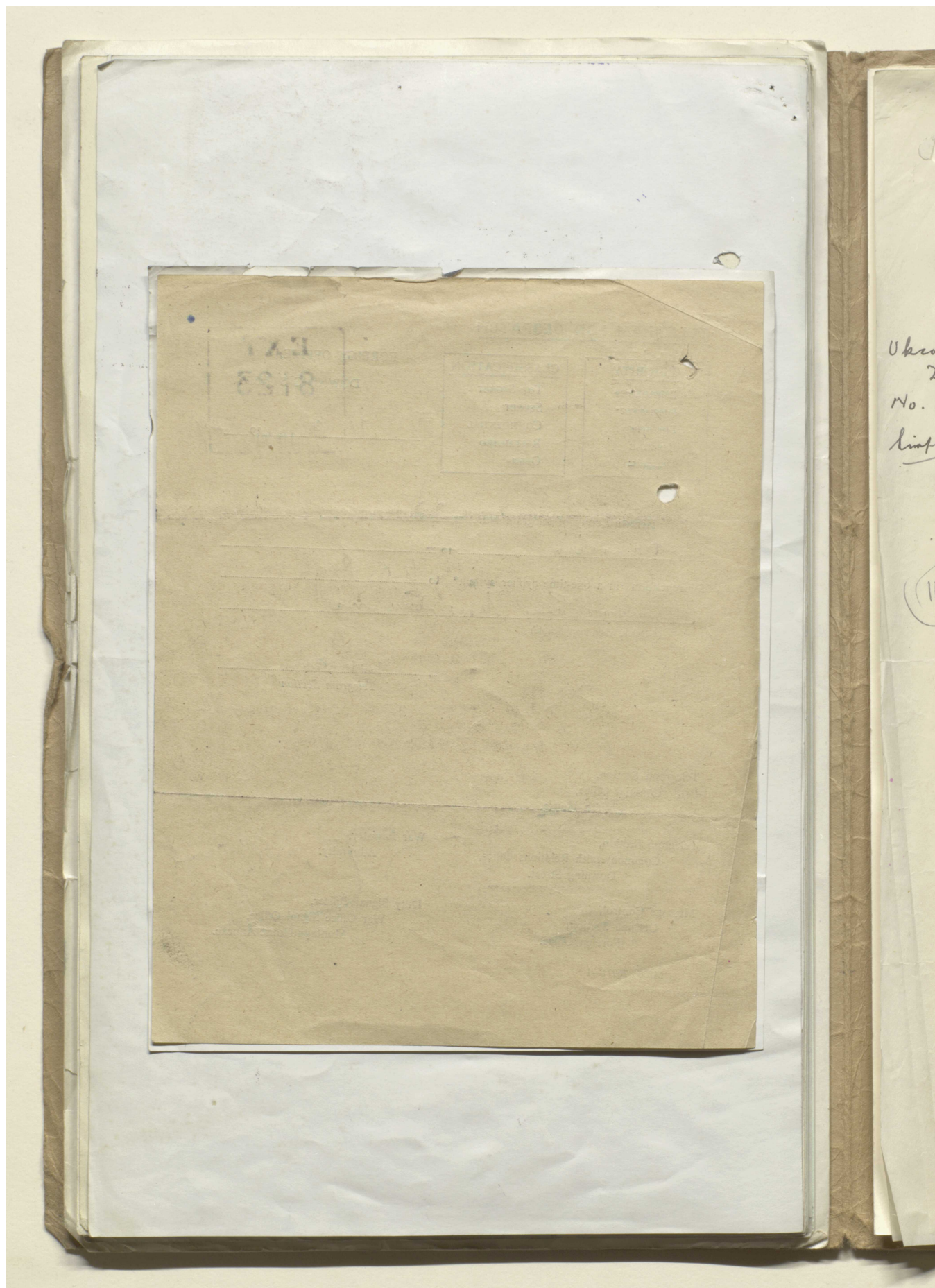
(SGD). R.McC. ANDREW.

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Coll 20/21 (2) 'Muscat: Royal Family' [64r] (127/136)

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FROM BAHREIN TO FOREIGN OFFICE

Sir R. Hay  
No. 422  
10th September, 1949.  
D. 7.50 p.m. 10th September, 1949  
R. 7.12 p.m. 10th September, 1949

CONFIDENTIAL Following is text of Bahrain tel. No. 422 to F.O.  
Addressed to U.K. High Commissioner New Delhi telegram  
No. 5 of September 10th, repeated to Foreign Office, and  
Muscat. Begin.  
Your telegram No. XL.

*Ukrcom  
Delhi  
No. 2712  
Simplex  
(1169)*

I suggest that Deputy High Commissioner in Bombay should send a junior member of the staff to ascertain from Sultan's entourage as soon as possible after his arrival what time it will be convenient for him to call and that he should call on the Sultan accordingly. During the call he might enquire whether there is any way in which he can assist him. I suggest similar procedure for you at Delhi. Sultan would probably appreciate an invitation to lunch or dinner at Bombay and Delhi. It should be remembered that he has a physical horror of tobacco smoke. End

Foreign Office please pass to U.K. High Commissioner New Delhi.

[Copy sent to C.R.O. for repetition to U.K. High Commissioner New Delhi].

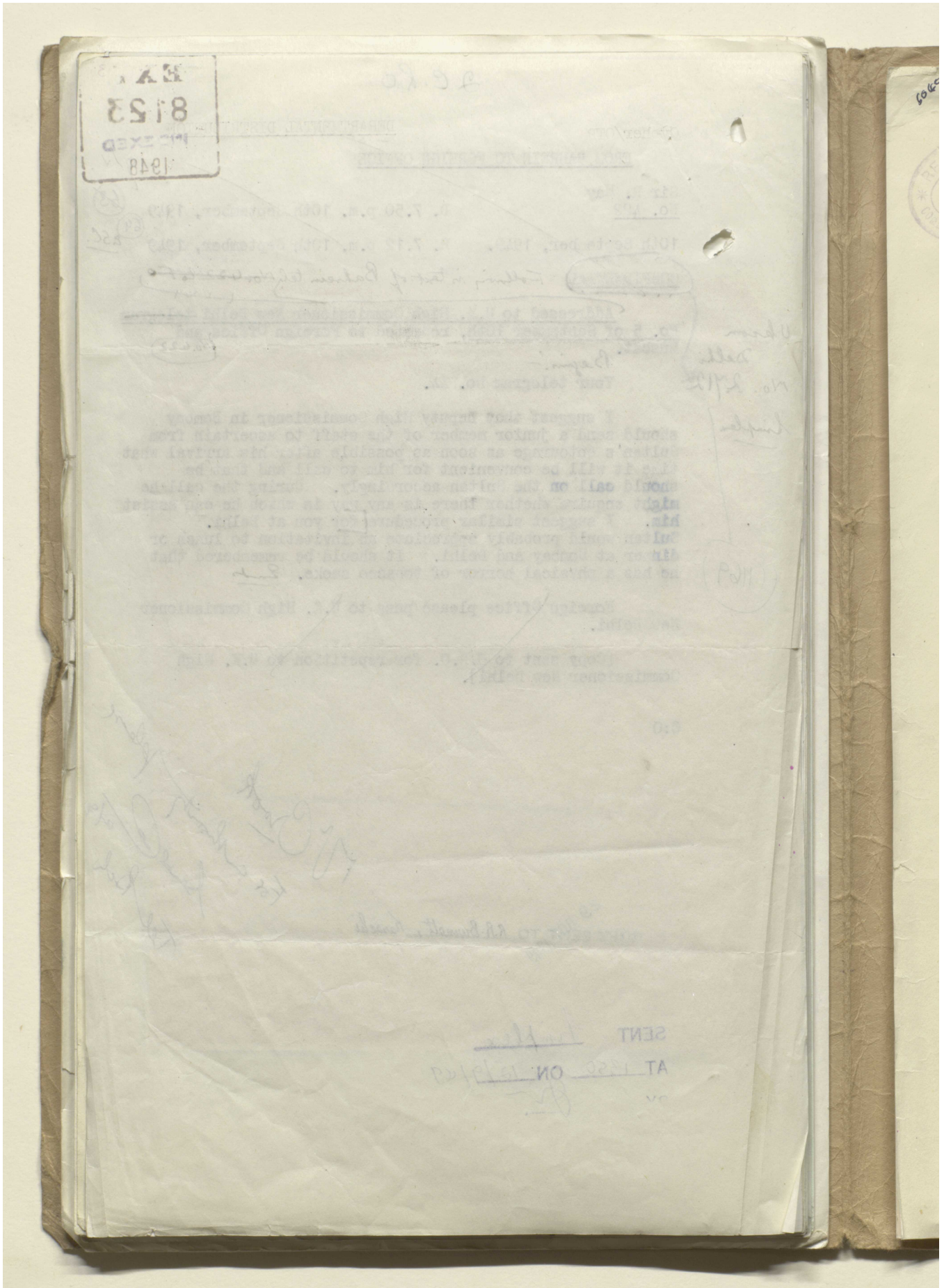
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For authority please  
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Tel. Bah*

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SENT Simplex  
AT 1350 ON 12/9/49  
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CYPHER (SIMPLEX)

FROM: U.K. HIGH COMMISSIONER IN INDIA  
TO: POLITICAL RESIDENT BAHRAIN  
REPTD TO: COMMONWEALTH RELATIONS OFFICE  
FOREIGN OFFICE  
MUSCAT

D. New Delhi, 23.30 hours, 5th September 1949  
R. 22.15 hours, 5th September 1949

No. X1551

Addressed to Political Resident Bahrain No.X4, repeated to Secretary of State for Commonwealth Relations No.X1551 and Foreign Office No.X3, Muscat No.X1.

Your telegram to Government of India regarding the proposed visit of the Sultan of Muscat to India.

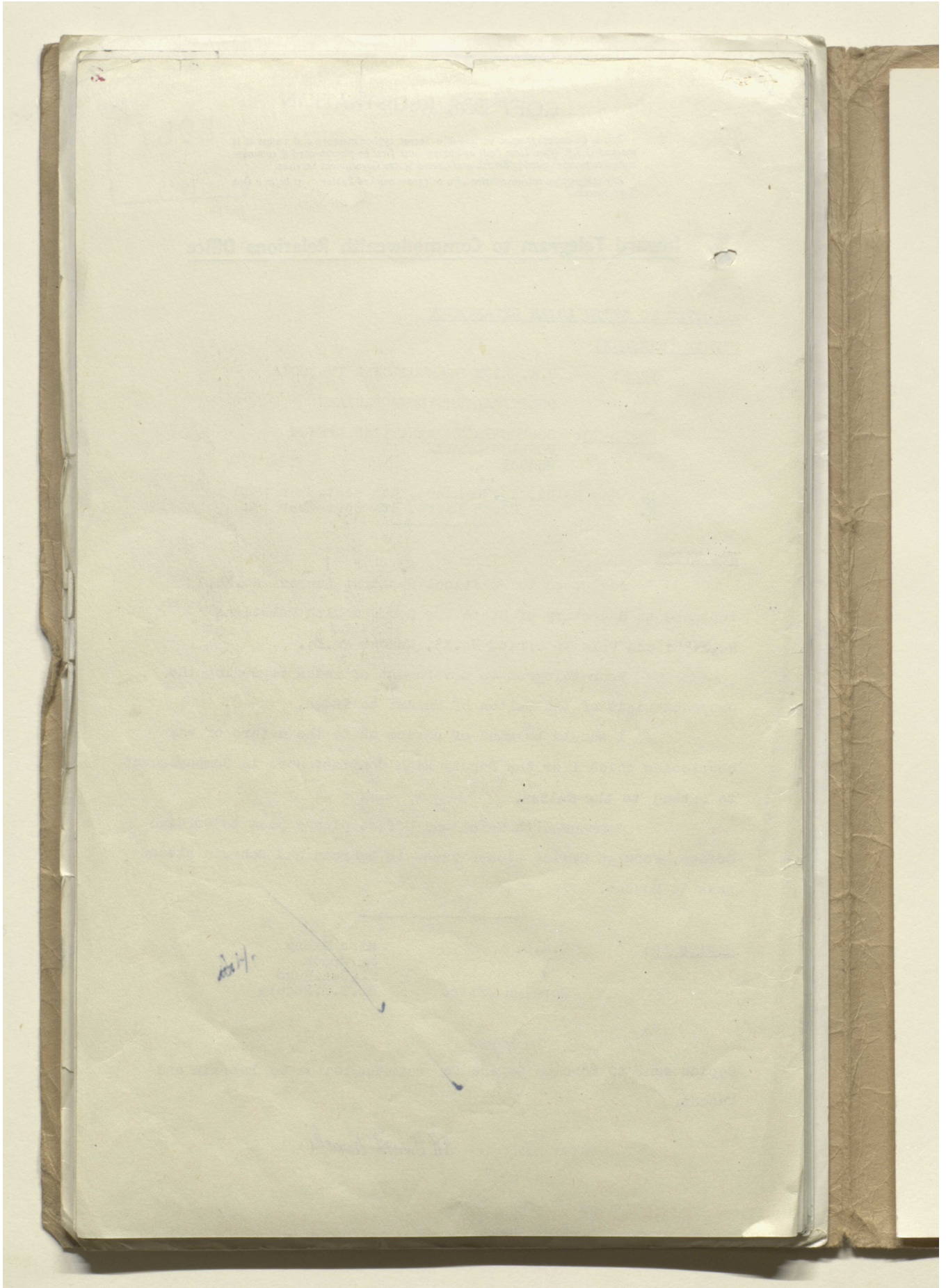
I should be glad of advice as to the nature of any courtesies which I or the Deputy High Commissioners in Bombay ought to extend to the Sultan.

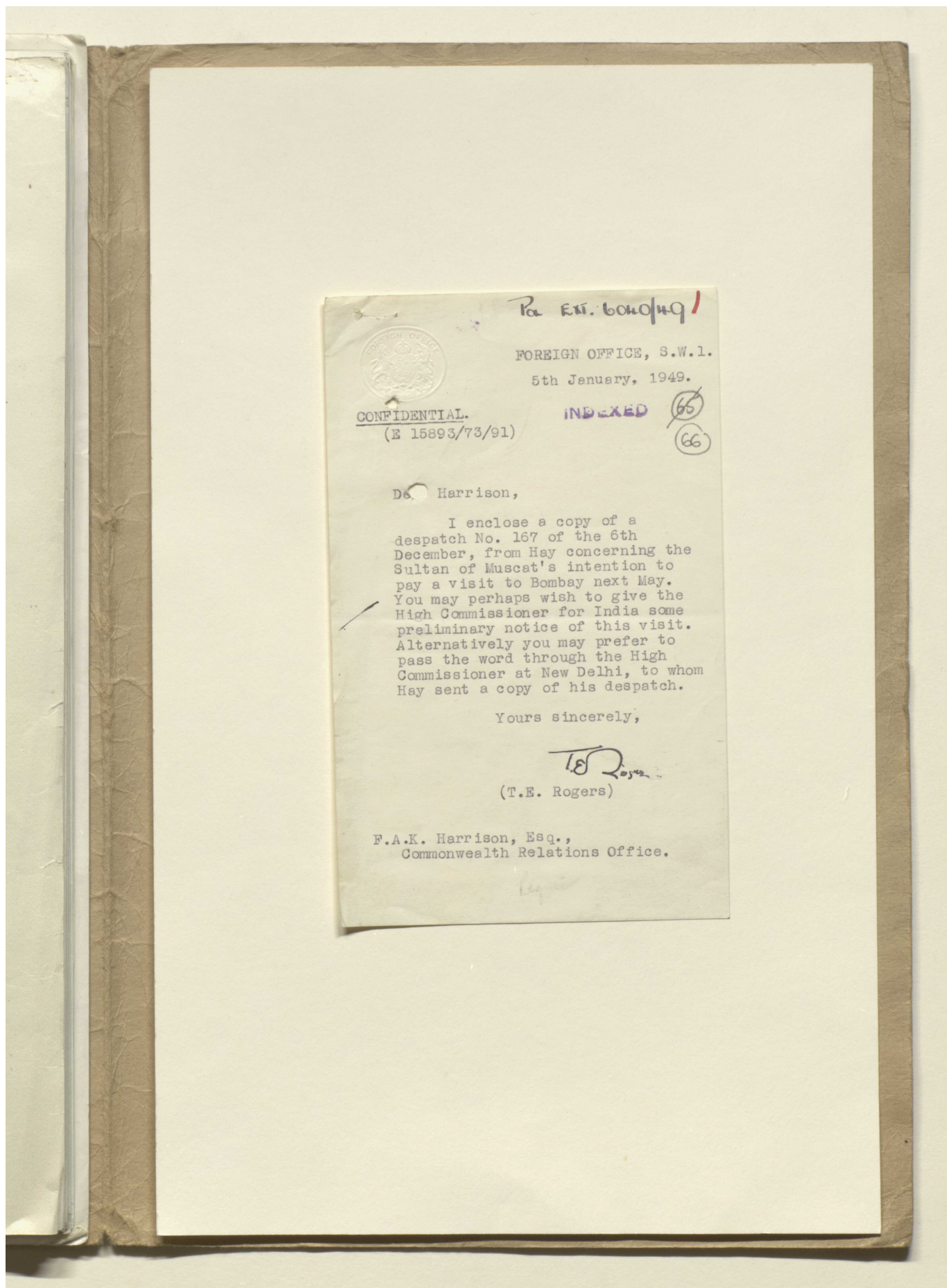
Commonwealth Relations Office please pass to Foreign Office, Foreign Office please pass to Bahrain and Bahrain please pass to Muscat.

Copies to: C.R.O. Miss Emery  
" Mr. Crook  
" Lt. Col. Hugo  
Foreign Office Mr. T.E. Rogers

Copies sent to Foreign Office for retransmission to Bahrain and Muscat.

29 SEP 1949 COPY SENT TO RR Burnett, Karachi,





Pa. E.H. 600/49 /

FOREIGN OFFICE, S.W.1.

5th January, 1949.

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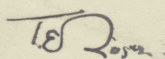
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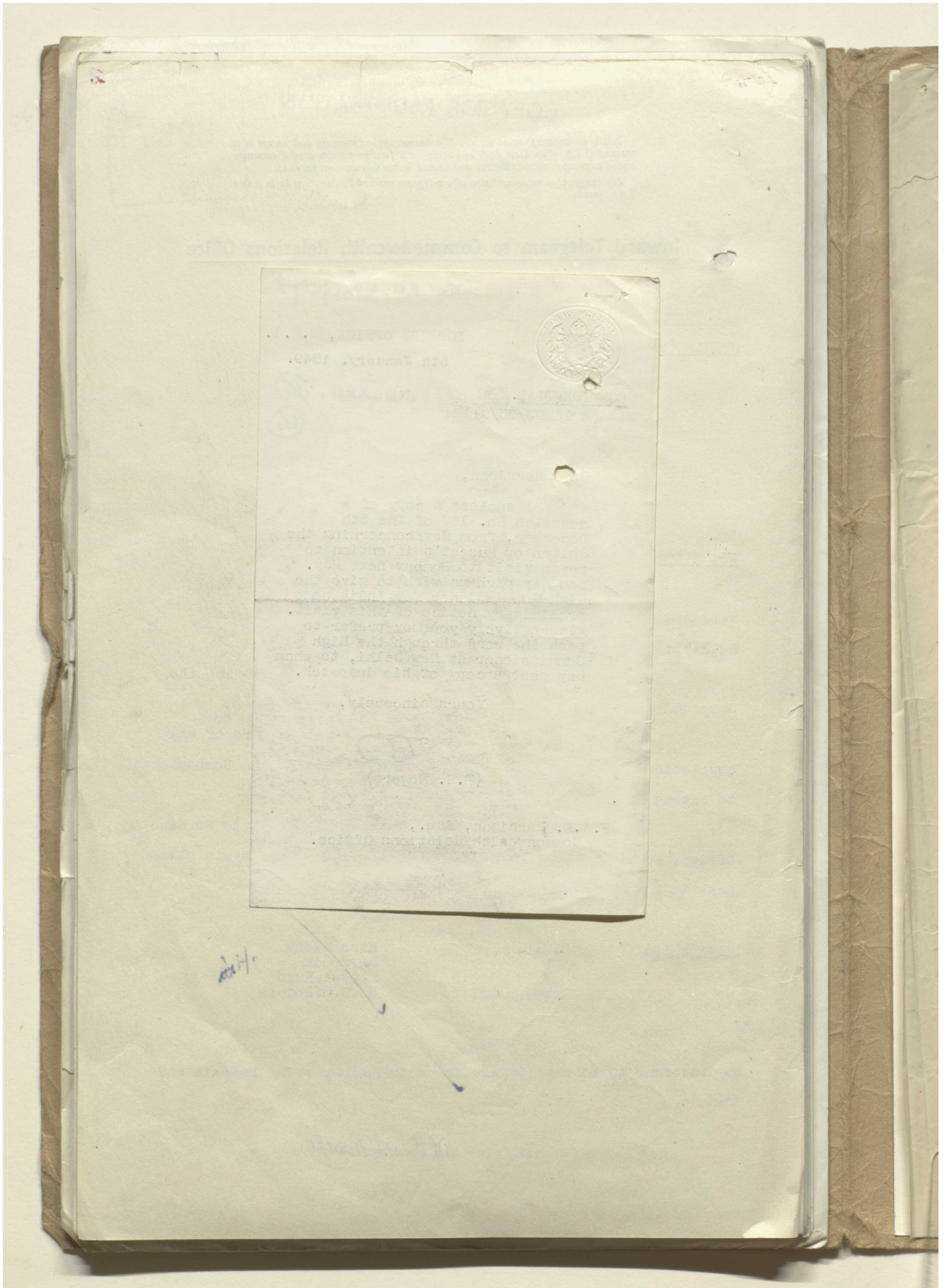
Mr. Harrison,

I enclose a copy of a despatch No. 167 of the 6th December, from Hay concerning the Sultan of Muscat's intention to pay a visit to Bombay next May. You may perhaps wish to give the High Commissioner for India some preliminary notice of this visit. Alternatively you may prefer to pass the word through the High Commissioner at New Delhi, to whom Hay sent a copy of his despatch.

Yours sincerely,

  
(T.E. Rogers)

F.A.K. Harrison, Esq.,  
Commonwealth Relations Office.



For. Ext. 6040/49  
Encl. 16  
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NO. 167  
(260/5/48)

PERSIAN GULF RESIDENCY,  
BAHRAIN,  
6th December, 1948.

Sir,

I have the honour to report that during my recent visit to Muscat the Sultan informed me that next May he hopes to go to Bombay to obtain medical advice and from there to visit the United Kingdom.

2. He wishes his visit to Bombay to be entirely unofficial but hopes that the Government of India will extend to him such courtesies and customs facilities, as he has enjoyed there in the past. I told him that I would take up the matter nearer the time of his visit. ||

3. I did not discuss any details of his proposed visit to the United Kingdom as I wished to obtain instructions from you first. The only reason he assigned for the visit was the same as for that of Bombay, namely to obtain medical advice. The Sultan has not visited the United Kingdom since 1938, and I would suggest that he should be offered Government hospitality, say for a fortnight. I should be grateful for early instructions so that if approved I may make this offer to him and ascertain from him generally what his plans are, and what he would like to see during his visit.

4. I am sending copies of this despatch to the United Kingdom High Commissioner in New Delhi, the Head of the British Middle East Office, Cairo and to the Political Agent, Muscat.

I have the honour to be,  
with the highest respect,  
Sir,  
Your most obedient  
humble Servant,

Sd/- W.R. HAY.

The Rt. Hon. Ernest Bevin, M.P.,  
etc., etc., etc.,  
Foreign Office,  
London.

