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The ~~Director General of~~
Civil Aviation.*

Mr. J. J. W. Herbertson.

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Date *1st* 2nd November, 1938.

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18th November, 1933.

Dear Dixon,

I enclose copy of a paragraph which I read to you through the telephone last night.

We suggest that something on these lines might be added to your draft telegram to New Zealand after paragraph 2.

I am sending a copy of this letter to Jones of the Admiralty, Bevir of the Colonial Office and Halfour of the Foreign Office.

Yours sincerely,

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His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom hold the view, however, that consolidation of British title would be equally well achieved if, in the case of Hull Island, the measures suggested in my telegram No.154 of the 4th November, were directed to initiating the first stage in the establishment of a service base instead of a civil airport. Such action would be agreeable to His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom if it were preferred by His Majesty's Government in New Zealand on the ground that the defence aspect is a primary consideration.
