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Dear Hope,

24.10.39.

The enclosed telegram which we have received from the Governor of Fiji about the possible reinforcement of Fiji from New Zealand is, I think, self explanatory. It has been discussed with the Dominions Office, and, as a result of that discussion, we propose to send a reply to the Governor on the lines of the annexed draft. Would you be so good as to let me know whether the War Office concur in its terms?

I have not thought it necessary to consult the other Service Departments - may I take it that you will do so, if you think it desirable, before replying to this letter?

I am sending copies of this letter and its enclosures to Jacob.

Yours sincerely,

(Signed) F. G. LEE

MAJOR M.W. HOPE, R.A.

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