

Bases Br. Guiana 2400/19/40

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My Lord,

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With reference to my telegram No. 3191 I have the honour to transmit to Your Lordship herewith a copy of the letter received from Mr. Dunn at the State Department forwarding draft leases in respect of the proposed United States bases in Bermuda, Jamaica, Antigua, St. Lucia and British Guiana. One copy of each draft lease is also enclosed herein. A copy of the appropriate lease is being forwarded by air mail to the Governor of the Colony concerned.

2. It will be seen that in some cases the geographical definitions of the bases at the beginning of the leases contain items which have not yet been finally agreed upon between the British and American authorities - for example in the case of Bermuda the lease as drafted by the United States authorities implies that both Morgan and Tucker's Islands are to be leased to the United States Government for the full period of ninety-nine years.

I have the honour to be,
with the highest respect
My Lord,
Your Lordship's most obedient,
humble servant,

(SGD) N. M. BUTLER

The Right Honourable
The Viscount Halifax, K.G.
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