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NAVAL MISSION TO THE DOMINION OF NEW ZEALAND

(ADDENDUM No. 1 TO REPORT OF ADMIRAL OF THE FLEET VISCOUNT JELlicoe OF SCAPA,
G.C.B., O.M., G.C.V.O., ON).

Presented to both Houses of the General Assembly by Command of His Excellency.

THE following is a paraphrase of a telegram dated 15th November, 1919, from Admiral of the Fleet Viscount Jellicoe to the Governor-General of New Zealand :—

The Admiralty have decided that surplus warships may in some cases be offered as gifts to the Dominions. Types available are not mentioned.

With reference to the postscript to my letter No. P. 187, of 3rd October, 1919 (page 11 of Volume I of my report on naval affairs to the Government of New Zealand), the following action is now recommended :—

- (i.) Establish Navy Board Administration, including the appointment of a Commodore as Chief of the Naval Staff.
- (ii.) Organize and commence recruiting.
- (iii.) “Philomel” to be fitted out and commissioned as a training-ship.
- (iv.) Acquire from the Admiralty a coal-burning light cruiser having a main armament comprising 6 in. guns only.

With regard to the acquisition of further vessels, it is difficult to offer advice without having before me the entire correspondence passing between New Zealand and the Admiralty, and delay and confusion might result even if I were kept informed of all such communications.

If suitable vessels can be obtained, it is considered that by following the lines shown in the alternative Table VI forwarded to Your Excellency, the Prime Minister, and the Minister of Defence, the general scheme for the development of the New Zealand Division of the Royal Navy can be carried out, any necessary modifications to the table being made to meet the conditions encountered. In this connection attention is drawn to Section I of Chapter IV of Volume II of my Report.

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The Governor-General was asked to cause copies of this telegram and the alternative Table VI to be printed and issued as addenda to Volume I of the report. A copy of the table is attached hereto.

*H.M.S. “New Zealand,”
16th November, 1919.*

ALTERNATIVE TABLE VI.
FOR PAGE 22 OF VOLUME I (PARLIAMENTARY PAPER A-4, 1919).
NEW ZEALAND NAVAL ESTIMATES.

Item.	1920-21.	1921-22.	1922-23.	1923-24.	1924-25.	1925-26.	Remarks.
Maintenance of light cruisers of New Zealand Division	£ 211,300 (One light cruiser in full commission)	£ 211,300	£ 211,300	£ 316,950 (A second light cruiser in reserve added)	£ 422,600 (Both light cruisers in full commission)	£ 528,250 (A third light cruiser in reserve added)	It is assumed that the whole New Zealand Division and its reserves of ammunition and stores are initially a gift.
Maintenance of six submarines and one parent ship of New Zealand Division	257,700	257,700	257,700	257,700	257,700	257,700	..
Administration	5,800	5,800	6,800	7,800	8,800	8,800	..
Training and reserves (including maintenance of training-ship and Naval Depot)	40,000	50,000	55,000	57,200	59,200	61,200	..
Provision and storage of fuel reserves ..	..	25,000	50,000	50,000	29,200	..	..
Naval wireless expenses. Harbour defence first cost and maintenance (including upkeep of harbour defence auxiliary craft)	..	25,000	50,000	75,000	50,000	50,000	Then £40,000 in 1926-27 and £17,134 per annum afterwards (<i>vide</i> Table A at end of Chapter VII of Volume II).
Upkeep of anti-submarine flotillas (P. boats or old destroyers)	..	..	..	112,500	112,500	112,500	A gift of 8 P. boats or old T.R.D.'s in 1923-24 is assumed (see preamble to Table A, Chapter VII, Volume II).
Naval Air School	25,000	25,000	100,000	70,000	33,000	33,000	For details see Chapter II, Volume II.
Totals	539,800	599,800	730,000	947,150	973,000	1,051,450	

NOTE.—No account has been taken in this table of any payments in connection with the gift of the Battle-cruiser "New Zealand," for which liability still remains, as shown in Table VII.

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