

Public Works (1899) Department.

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DATED 2nd September 1899.

[Despatch Abstract.]

Telegraph Charges between India & Europe

Ordered that the letter from the Chamber of Commerce, Madras, addressed to the Govt of India on the subject of differential rates for — be forwarded to that Govt.

Forwarded

the accompanying copy
of a letter ~~which~~ from
the Chairman, Chamber
of Commerce Madras,
has always addressed to you
in the subject of differ-
ential rates for telegrams
between India and Europe

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Despatch with copy
letter from
Chamber of
Commerce
27/7/99

W. J. M.
Public Works (1899) Department.

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CURRENT No. *67*

Order

From

The Chairman, Chamber
of Commerce,
Madras

No.

Dated 18-8-98

Received at *ootacamund* 22-8-98

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Enclosures *Plans & other* total 1.

Spare copies.

SUBJECT.

Forward a letter regarding
the differential rates for
Cable messages.

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Madras, 18th - Aug - 1899 .

The Honble Mr. C. E. P. Vans Agnew
CHAIRMAN, CHAMBER OF COMMERCE,
MADRAS.

The Secretary to Govt of India
P. W. D (Telegraphs)
Simla

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In the memorandum prepared by the Eastern Telegraph Company, and forwarded to the Chairman of the Glasgow Chamber of Commerce on the 8th June last, in connection with the movement in favour of a reduction of the rates charged for telegraphing between India and England, paragraph 2, is as follows:—

"In all the correspondence which
"the Companies have had with
with

"with the Merchants who are the
"actual users of the telegraph,
"we have never had a single
"application for reduction
"of tariffs but we have had
"applications to be allowed
"to send at a higher rate,
"in order that one person's
"telegrams might have the
"preference over those of others."

I have the honour now to
inform you that the question
of differential rates for cable
messages was discussed at the
meeting of the Chamber held on
the 20th ultimo, when the following
Resolution was unanimously
agreed to:-

"That the Chamber does not
"approve of an urgent" rate
"of 3/ a word for code mes-
"sages, as it considers that the
highest

"highest charge should not
"exceed 2/ a word, but approves
"of a 1/ per word rate for
"deferred messages in plain
"language."

I have the honour to be,
Sir,

Your most obed^t. Servant

W. T. Anderson

All Secy.

Chairman

The Madras Chamber of Commerce.

Madras, 18th Aug 1899.

FROM

The Hon'ble Mr. C. P. Vans Agnew.
CHAIRMAN, CHAMBER OF COMMERCE,
MADRAS.

TO

The Secretary to Government
P. W. D. (Telegraphs)
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Sir,

I have the honour to forward
herewith, for favour of submission
to the Government of India, a
letter-regarding the differential
rates for cable messages - a
duplicate copy of which has been
forwarded direct to the Supreme
Government.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,

Yours most obed^t servant,

C. P. Vans Agnew

Chairman.

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