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Dear Sir,

As arranged, I shall delay further action in the matter of the telegraphic weather reporting station on Tiree, until the end of May in the hope that the people of the Cornaig district may within that time intimate their willingness to bear the 40% share of the guarantee required by the Post Office for the erection of a telephone line to Cornaimore. In that case we should still be willing to proceed with the original scheme and to bear the 60% share.

It might be worth while reporting here the details with regard to the guarantee. These are as follow :-

The actual amount to be borne annually by the guarantors is represented by £60 less the sum of A and B where A is $\frac{1}{5}$ of the average value of the inland telegrams handed in at the new office, exclusive of portorage charges and B is $\frac{2}{5}$ of the average value of inland telegrams received at the new office for delivery, exclusive of portorage charges.

The reduction in the guaranteed amount on account of telegrams sent on Meteorological Office business is estimated to be £12.

It will be seen therefore that even if there were no local traffic at all the maximum amount which the local guarantors might be called upon to pay would be 40% of £48 or under £20.

Yours faithfully,

A. H. Ross

Superintendent.