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Adjutant General, Royal Marines.

6th January 1926.

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ROYAL MARINE POLICE

PROPOSED ALTERATIONS TO UNIFORM OF OFFICERS.

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No. B. 470/26.P.

With reference to my submission R.M. No. A.470/26.P dated 7th January 1926, the following alterations in the uniform worn by the Officers in Charge of R.M. Police Stations are submitted for Their Lordships' approval. At present these Officers wear the blue uniform of their rank in the Royal Marines, with a blue armlet.

CAP

Cap, Forage, universal (Army) pattern. Blue Cloth, with black mohair band, with silver cord welt round the crown. The two small buttons to be plain black horn. The badge to be worn in front on the mohair band to consist of a nickel silver laurel wreath surrounding a globe in nickel silver.

FROCK, SERGE.

Of present pattern with the following exceptions :- The buttons to be of the black R.M. Police pattern. Nickel silver letters "R.M.P" on shoulder straps. Collar badge to be a nickel silver globe and laurel. Badges of rank in silver embroidery. No brass waist hooks.

TROUSERS

Plain blue serge, no welts or stripes.

GREATCOAT

Of present pattern, but of blue cloth, with buttons and badges as for serge frock.

WATERPROOF COAT

Present pattern but of blue gaberdine. Badges of rank in bronze. A black oilskin coat may be worn if required.

SWORD BELT

Not to be worn.

ARMLET

Not to be worn.

2. R.M. Police Officers on appointment are eligible for an equipment allowance of £12/10/0 if three years have elapsed between the date of retirement and date of re-employment, but only one (Captain T.H. Clarke) of the present Officers has received this allowance.

3. The cost of effecting the alterations in uniform is estimated at approximately £12/10/0 and it is submitted therefore that Their Lordships may be pleased to approve of equipment allowance being paid to these Officers, the original payment of equipment allowance to Captain Clarke being disregarded.

No objection to your approval

Richard V. L. H.
Adjutant General R.M.
8th January 1926

A. R. H. Hutchison.

Adjutant General R.M.
8th January 1926.

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On Papers P.L. 4115/25, the D. of V. raised the question of the proposed Police Officer in Charge of the Royal Marine Police at R.V. Yard, Deptford, wearing military uniform, and using his military title. He considered there might be a danger of creating a feeling among the workpeople that the change has placed the yard under military control.

2. The yard being an Industrial Civil Establishment, it is agreed that it is undesirable to impart any idea of militarism.

3. As regards the wearing of military uniform, arrangements are being made for the uniform and badges of rank of Police Officers in Charge to be altered to approximate more closely to that of corresponding Officers of the Metropolitan Police; the uniform of lower ranks of the Royal Marine Police already approximates to that of civil police.

4. As regards the titles and ranks applied to Royal Marine Police, it is considered that the whole of these might be changed with advantage. It is therefore submitted that the ranks of Royal Marine Police be changed as follows:-

PRESENT R.M. POLICE RANK.

(a) No special title introduced.
Addressed by military title of Captain...&c., and referred to in R.M. Police Regulations as Police Officer in Charge.

PROPOSED R.M. POLICE RANK.

Superintendent.
(Police Officer in Charge to continue to be used in a general sense.)

(b) Royal Marine Police Inspector (Grade I).

Inspector.

(c) Royal Marine Police Sergeant (Grade II).

Sergeant.

(d) Royal Marine Policeman (Grade III).

Constable.

5. Changes to be made without effect on the emoluments of the ranks concerned.

A. R. H. Hutchison.

Adjutant-General, R.M.,

7th Jan. 1926.