

EXECUTIVE CONFERENCE NO. 213.

Present: Messrs. Horace Kadoorie (Chairman), Lam Chik Ho, Lam Chik Suen, Ho Ka Ming, and Ho Shek Kong.

1. Financial Statement.

A financial statement showing the approximate position of MCL as at 17th October 1956 was tabled and noted.

2. Previous Minutes.

Minutes of Executive Conference No. 212, previously circulated, were approved and signed by the Chairman.

ARISING OUT OF THE PREVIOUS MINUTES:-

(a) Parapet on Earth Dam.

The obtaining of additional tenders will be dealt with at a later date.

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(b) Letter from Dr. van de Linde.

Dr. C. F. Yao, medical officer at Tai Lam Chung, had written reporting that as far as he could see from the patients' records at Tai Lam Chung Hospital, Raynaud's Disease had not occurred at Tai Lam Chung.

A copy of Dr. Yao's letter would be sent to Dr. van de Linde.

3. Work at Tai Lam Chung during Emergency Period.

Mr. Lam Chik Suen reported that the CRE had telephoned to him when rioting broke out in Kowloon and communications with the New Territories were disrupted, offering to assume full responsibility for the carrying on of MCL's working operations at Tai Lam Chung during the period of emergency. Mr. Lam Chik Suen gave the CRE full authority to act on behalf of the Company. The meeting endorsed Mr. Lam's action, and decided to place on record in the minutes their great appreciation of the CRE's helpfulness in attending to all requirements, and also of the co-operation of members of his staff, during the emergency period. A suitable letter of thanks would be sent by the Chairman to the CRE.

As all roads from Kowloon to the New Territories were closed, food for the workers was sent out to Tai Lam Chung by a launch of the Government Sand Monopoly, and cement by lighter.

Mr. J. Forbes, Deputy Director of the PWD, had been very helpful in the arrangements for the transportation of cement to Tai Lam Chung. It was agreed to record in the minutes appreciation of Mr. Forbes' kind co-operation. A letter of thanks would be sent to him by the Chairman.

*Horace Kadoorie*

24.10.56.