Copy of letter received from Mr. Frederick A. Slmonds, Chairman and Managing Director of Messrs. H. & G. Simonds, Ltd., Reading, England.

THE BREWERY, READING.

21st September, 1948.

Brig.-General H. Simonds de Brett, c.b., c.m.g., d.s.o.,

Simonds-Farsons-Cisk, Ltd.,

The Brewery,

Malta, G.C.

Dear Harry,

I have received Notice of the First General Meeting of Simonds-Farsons-Cisk, Limited, to be held on the 30th instant., I so much regret that personally I cannot attend to congratulate you and the Marquis and all your colleagues on a fine achievement to date. From all I can learn the new Company is already proving to be an outstanding success, and everyone is working with a will to surmount any teething troubles or preliminary obstacles.

I look forward with confidence to the future of Simonds-Farsons-Cisk, Limited and am sure they will stand up to any competition in days to come both in Malta and the Mediterranean generally.

I pray that the delays in constructing the new Brewery and finding a better water supply may soon be overcome. You must be tried beyond measure by the continual hold-up of essential machinery and plant, but that is the fate of all industry at home and abroad. You may rely, as ever, upon the personal support of the Directors of H. & G. Simonds in helping you in any direction in which it is possible to co-operate.

My warmest regards and best wishes to one and all of you.

Yours sincerely,

(Signed) F. A. SIMONDS

Chairman & Managing Director,

H. & G. Simonds, Ltd.

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