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Dear Sirs,

Thank you for your letter (1) supplying your current range of RM Officers badges. I am concerned that when you took on the production from Guants that you were not correctly briefed on two items and I would ask that you change to the approved pattern copies of which I enclose:

- a. The Anodised Collar Badge. Your sample has obviously been made in the same mould as the bronze badge. This is not correct. You will see from the enclosed sample that the badge is made in two parts, the globe separate from the laurel wreath and there should be a clear gap between the two. On the Guants produced badge you will note that the two halves are secured with a small rivet.
- b. Stars Anodised 1/2 inch. The badge forwarded by you is a plain anodised army star. Whereas the Royal Marines use a star on which the laurel wreath is coloured green and the motto red. A correct sample is enclosed.

I would be obliged if you could send a sample anodised crown so that I can check its size and that it has the red cloth backing in the two small open areas at the top. May I ask that you contact any tailoring firms which you have supplied with these unapproved pattern badges, withdraw them and in due course supply the correct items.

Yours sincerely,

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Dear Colonel,

Further to our recent telephone conversation and your letter dated 26th July 1979, please find enclosed two samples:

- a. 5/8" painted and enamelled star
- b. small anodised red velvet crown

In respect of the anodised Collar Badge, we are looking into this matter and will advise you accordingly. Our research of the tailoring firms indicated that only one had been supplied and they were returned immediately due to the error in production. It will not be necessary for a circular letter to be sent to the tailoring firms and I'm sure with close co-operation and liaison between ourselves we can produce the badge to your exact requirement.

Assuring you of our close attention at all times.

Yours sincerely,

S. BIGGS

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