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Any communication on the subject of this letter should be addressed to :—

The Under Secretary of State,
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Cleland House.
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London, S.W.1.

and the following number quoted:—

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HOME OFFICE,
CLELAND [illegible] USE,
PAGE STREET,
LONDON, S.W.1.

1st June, 1940.

Sir,

Repair of rubber boots supplied to Auxiliary Fire Service Personnel.
F.B. Circular 67/1940.

I am directed by the Minister of Home Security to state that he has had under consideration the question of the treatment of rubber boots supplied as part of the uniform of the Auxiliary Fire Service when they become worn. Such rubber boots should not be discarded, merely because the soles may be worn out, but arrangements should be made for their repair, new boots being issued for use while worn boots are being repaired.

Any fire authority, which may experience difficulty in making arrangements for repairs on reasonable terms, should communicate with the Fire Brigades Division of this Department (Room 534), who are in a position to advise where such work can be undertaken at a fixed charge of 5/6d. per pair, plus 6d. extra for cleated soles.

The Clerk of the London County Council,
The Town Clerk,
The Clerk to the District Council.

This charge will cover complete soling and heeling and any patching, which may be necessary. The cost of carriage both ways on lots of one dozen boots or over is included in the price.

Reasonable expenditure incurred in accordance with the terms of this circular may be included in the Fire Authority's grant claim.

An additional copy of this Circular is enclosed for transmission to the Chief Financial Officer of the Council.

I am,
Sir,
Your obedient Servant,

Issued to:- All Fire authorities in England & Wales.

Copies sent for information to:- Chief Officers of Fire Brigades and Chief Constables in England & Wales.