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1915
20th January
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52279

MARKHAM PATROL
SPECIAL SERVICE ALLOWANCES TO OFFICERS

Concurs as to sum due to Lt Coffin and encloses R.O. for £51.7.0. Explains as to pay due to officers of the Indian Army.

Johns
R.O. to be
Cp. line for P. 94
1/20 Gen. (C) No. 10 H.A.C. - 19 Feb 1915
S.R.

To Read.

The last para. does not convince me that we might not do well to alter our R.O. Rates. Officers of the Infantry are generally better than officers of the British Army, & there is no reason why the Infantry should be maintained in full, if at all, when they are doing work of the same character as Special Service Officers.

? R.O. to CA. with the copy.
Eg. I.O. + mid copy of 3290 + 40 +
Gen. Cf for copy of 26 sep. on 52279

W.C. 24/1/15

So passed - +, when return has been
later, the question raised in the
first part of Mr. Rottmeyer's
it to be considered

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The Road

I have discussed with Major Jenkins, who fully agrees, that Lt. Coffin was grossly overpaid at £720 a year, but thinks that our best course would be to avoid employing Indian officers on Special Service. I am afraid there will always be cases in which their employment is unavoidable: - in this case we had to get a ready-made transport column at short notice, and India was the only possibility.

The alternative is to avoid our Regulations, but it is not easy to draft any alteration. If we simply alter
 "in addition to their ordinary Army pay"
 to "in addition to the ordinary pay of their rank in the British Army"
 we shall simply not get Indian Army officers at all.

If we say "in addition to their ordinary Army pay, exclusive of all staff pay, or additional pay or allowances of any kind," we provide for Lieut. Coffin & his like, but it would need a very considerable acquaintance with the arrangements of the Indian Army to enable one to say that (a) it would be sufficiently

General v (8) it ~~is~~ would not
operate unfairly in any cases.

? Tell Gov. R.A.P. that we want
to devise a plan by which the
Regt. will not give Indian Army Officers,
as it gave Lt. Coffin, a rate of pay
out of all proportion to their seniority,
& ask him to consider with Colonel
Eggleston how far the suggestion I have
made would act fairly in the case of
the different classes of Indian Army
Officers who are at all likely to be
selected for Special Service with the
Prot^o Forces. Point out that it
would have given Lt. Coffin \$498 a year,
or practically the same as the rate paid
down by ~~the~~ subalterns of Indian Contingents,
which appears to be reasonable.

[see below]
12500

[A	Rs 280 (see 36065)	=	£ 224	per
	per			
15/- per		=	274	per
			2498	

I leave out the exchange benefit & the one
hour & the family pension contribution & the other

66/2 11.2.15

I am sorry that the Council for the Indian Territories
has about this. Formerly I agree that if
we are unable to avoid employing Indian Army
Officers on Special Service, the best proposal by
A. B. & the best one.

12.2.15. As proposed by
the Committee
to be

general & (H) it ~~will~~ would not operate unfairly in any cases.

? Tell Gov. S.A.P. that we want to devise a plan by which the Regt. will not give Indian Army Officers, as it gave Lt. Coffin, a rate of pay out of all proportion to their seniority, & ask him to consider with Colonel Graham how far the suggestion I have made would act fairly in the case of the different classes of Indian Army Officers who are at all likely to be selected for Special Service with the Prot^o Forces. Point out that it would have given Lt. Coffin \$498 a year, or practically the same as the rate laid down for ~~the~~ subalterns of Indian Contingents, which appears to be reasonable.

[See below]

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13.2.15

As proposed by Mr. ... at ... 15/2/15

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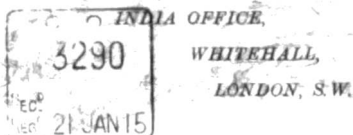
Any further communication on this subject should be addressed to—

The Under Secretary of State for India,
Military Department,
India Office,
London, S. W.

and the following reference quoted—

M. 335.

TELEPHONE: I.O. Extension No. _____



20th January 1915.

Sir,

In reply to your letter of the 2nd January 52279/1914, I am directed to inform you that the Secretary of State for India agrees in the calculation by the Acting Paymaster of the sum due from Colonial Funds to Lieutenant A. S. Coffin.

A receivable order for £51. 7. 0 is enclosed.

In regard to the last paragraph of your letter I am to say that in the case of officers of the Indian Army pay of rank plus Staff pay is "their ordinary Army pay", in addition to which they are entitled under paragraph 211 of the King's African Rifles Regulations to a special African allowance.

I have the honour to be, Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

E. G. Baines

General
Military Secretary.

The Under Secretary of State,
Colonial Office.

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The M. of S. for India
Military Dept
India Office

MINUTE.

- Mr. Harper 25/1/15
- Mr. Cottonley 25.1.15/
- Mr.
- Mr.
- Sir G. Fiddes,
- Sir H. Inst.
- Sir J. Anderson.
- Lord Islington.
- Mr. Harcourt.

Copy to Mr. P. 28 Jan 1915

Sir,

I am ac. to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 20th of Janry (M. 335) and to inform you that the C.A. for the Col. have been instructed to pay from the funds of the E.A.P. the claim for £57-7-0 in respect of allowances ^{due} ~~owed~~ to Lieut. A. S. Coffin, late Special Service Officer, Punjab District.

(Signed) H. J. READ

24/1/15

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28 January 1915

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The Col Agents

Gentlemen,

I am &c to request that you will pay to the account of the India Office with the Bank of England the sum of £51-7-0 in

respect of allowances issued to Lieut. A.S.

Coffin, late Special Service Officer, Marchion Patrol, and charge

W.B. 25/1/15
W. Bottomley 25.1.15

R.O. No. 1372

(24/5/15)

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19 Feb 1915.

Sir,

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With reference to your letter of

the 18th of Dec^r, previous con^g,

relating to the pay due to the

A.S. Coffin, I have the honour

to inform you that I consider

it necessary that para. 211

of the Regs for the RA 5th

be amended so as to provide

that it will not give Indian

Army Officers engaged as Reserve

Service Officers, as it gave them

Coffin, a rate of pay out of

DRAFT
at Rat. No 10

William Belfield

MINUTE.

Mr. Butt 2816

Major Jenkins 1772

Mr. Rotherham 1772

Mr.

Sir G. Fiddes.

Sir H. Just.

Sir J. Anderson.

Lord Illington.

Mr. Harcourt.

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all proportion to their
seniority.

^{I am advised that}
2. I think the following
amendment may meet
the case. After the
words "Army pay" the
insertion of the words
"exclusive of all Staff
pay or additional pay
or allowances of any kind."
So worded the para. to
have given Lieut Coffin
£498 a year, or practically
the same as the rate laid
down for subalterns of
Indian Contingents, which

3. The arrangement ⁴⁵
appears to be reasonable,
but ~~if~~ I should ^{be} glad
if you would consider with
Col. Graham how far the
para in question, amended
as proposed, would act
fairly in the case of these
classes of Indian Army
officers who are at all
likely to be selected for
Service with the ^{Imperial} ~~Imperial~~
Force, and whether any other

~~It~~
arrangement which does not
involve a debit of less than
two years standing seniority
receiving pay at the rate of £700
a year, is to be preferred.

(Signed) L. HARCOURT.

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