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Premium accruing from alienation of lease

1916

16 May

East previous Paper.

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Refers to prev. cases reprob suspension of bonds to be financed from premium & debt issue of Special warrants for £1770 to cover expre on 1915-16 in work to which, owing to a misunderstanding, such suspension was held not to apply. Request appropriate

Reelfield 30 June 16

It seems clear that the Registrar Room has been told of the true position & that those who wish are as much entitled to the ordinary rules governing annual expenditure as any others.

Simply ack. & approve of the Gov being authorized to do so to cover the expenditure of £1770 incurred by the D.P.W. without authority.

W.C.S. 28/6/16

at once

Next subsequent Paper.

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CONFIDENTIAL

May 16th, 1916.

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Sir,

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I have the honour to refer to my despatch No. 111 Confidential of June 11th, 1914, and previous correspondence relating to the utilization on various works of the premia accruing from the alienation of land.

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2. In that despatch I reported that I had authorized the execution of works amounting in the aggregate to £23,860-15-0 being the actual sum received from land sales in 1913-14, but this had to be reduced by £7,960, the estimated receipts for that year, in accordance with Mr. Bowring's despatch No. 92 Confidential of July 21st, 1913, and your predecessor's Confidential despatch of September 30th of the same year. The necessity for this reduction had at first been overlooked but was subsequently

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subsequently rectified.

3. In August 1914 war broke out and it became necessary to reconsider the whole question of the utilization of these premia in the light of the financial position of the Protectorate. The Director of Public Works was accordingly instructed to suspend action as regards road work financed out of premia, as stated in my despatch No. 172 Confidential of November 12th, 1914.

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4. Mr. McGregor Ross, however, apparently understood this prohibition not to apply to works already in progress and incurred further expenditure on the latter not only in 1914-15 but also in 1915-16, when he had no proper authority to expend public funds either by General Warrant, Requisition or Special Warrant, vide Colonial Office Regulation 261.

5. The amount so spent in 1915-16 was £1,770 and I authorized a Special Warrant to be issued for that amount. I regret that this was not reported to you at once and trust that you will approve the action taken.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your humble, obedient servant,

Hervey B. Reid.

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Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the

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Mr. Jewell 29/6/16

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Mr. Steel-Maitland.

Mr. Bonar Law.

rest of your conf. despatch of the 16th of
May, regarding the execution of
works out of the premises accruing
from the alienation of land, and to
inform you that I approve of your
having issued a Special Warrant
to cover the expenditure of £1770

incurred by the Director of Public
Works in that ^{me} authority.