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Sir,

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MEMORANDUM

In continuation of my despatch No. 560 of the 7th instant, I have the honour to transmit herewith a copy of a further memorandum for the week ending the 9th September summarising the events in connection with the Somali unrest in the Northern territories of the Protectorate.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your humble, obedient servant,

Sd/- C. C. BOWRING

GOVERNOR'S Deputy

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PRECIS FOR WORK ENDING
Saturday, 9th September.

I. THE DETAILS.

(i) Mr. Butler in a letter dated Moyale August 5th reports that the Garreh have now cleared their country of the Dugodia after constant inter-raiding since Mr. Glenday's departure in March.

In the first attack the Garreh lost 62 killed and the Dugodia 52. In the second attack the Garreh lost 4 killed, the number of the Dugodia casualties is not known.

After this second attack the Dugodia ran east along the river Duna and are said to have finally crossed into Abyssinia at Gududia and Jirimi beyond Malka Daga.

It is thought that there only remain in the Garreh District one village of the Murulish section of the Dugodia, and three villages of the Dunal section, a sub-section of Gibrac.

The loot divided was as follows:-

- 1000 Camels to the Abyssinians who assisted the Garreh to the number of about 70.
- 1000 Camels to the Garreh and
- 5000 Sheep and Goats to the Abyssinians.

It is also thought that the Garreh raiders made off with about 1000 other camels.

(ii) Mr. Butler also learns that since the attack on Asema the Marchan have only made two or three small attacks on the Aulihan. The Habr Suliman also had a collision with the Aulihan near Salagli, 3 Aulihan and 1 Habr Suliman being killed.

II. DISPOSITION OF OFFICERS. No change.

III. DISPOSITION OF SOMALI TRIBES. Mr. Butler hears that the Marchan, Hbr Hassan, have left for the North East. The Marchan are in their own country but are not using the Duna River.

IV.

DECISIONS ARRIVED AT AND ACTION TAKEN.

(i) The General Officer Commanding-in-Chief has agreed to the re-occupation of Serenli. No reply has yet been received from the Government of Italian Somaliland to the telegram mentioned in IV of last week's Precis.

(ii) His Excellency discussed the general question of the Northern Frontier District and Jubaland on September 6th with Colonel Llewellyn, Lieutenant-Colonel W. E. H. Barrett, Mr. H. D. Kittermaster, and the Chief Secretary. It was agreed:

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(c) that the half company of the King's African Rifles now at Moyale should remain there until they could be replaced by trained men of the 5th Battalion.

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Nairobi.

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