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RE N.E.H.A. AHLERS

The copy of letter received from Mr F. Sandbach-Baker and asks if any information as to the statements contained therein.

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Mr. G. Fidler
Send him copy of F + our
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have rec'd the report from the
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LONDON, S.W. 216

12th December, 1914.

Any further communication on the subject of this letter should be addressed to—
THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC PROSECUTIONS,
WHITEHALL,
LONDON, S.W.
and the following number quoted:—
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Telegrams: "PUBLIC PROSECUTIONS, PARL. LONDON."
Telephone: 127 REGENT (3 LINES).

Sir, Re Nicholas Emil Berkman aka Al Adler.

I am enclosing, for your information, a copy of a letter which has been forwarded to me, and I shall be obliged if I may be told whether the Colonial Office has any knowledge, or the means of acquiring it, which will confirm or refute the statements contained in the enclosed communication?

I have the honour to be, Sir,
Your obedient servant,

Charles T. Morris

The Under Secretary of State,
Colonial Office.

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Copy of Letter received from F. Sandbach-Baker
Smedley's Hydropathic Establishment, Matlock.

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Smedley's Hydropathic Establishment.

Matlock.

9th Dec. 1914.

W. G. Morant Esq.,
Chief Constable,
Durham.

Sir,

I see from my morning papers, the case against the German Consul at Sunderland.

Will this be the same man that is running and financing a place in British East Africa at Kijabe Hill? ostensibly called a health resort, but built more like a fortress, with solid stone walls and concrete floors, with a partial flat roof upon which visitors were never allowed. this is at an elevation of over 7,000 feet, along with this, he rents the hills adjoining, some 8/9,000 feet high entirely dominating the Uganda Railway for fifty miles, also, the Government Station at Nairasha, and also the Railway Stations at Nairasha, Kijabi, Esearment, Molo etc. with command of the lake, and water supply of this district.

The place is remarkably well provisioned and stocked with plenty of ammunition, rifles and guns.. My wife and self stayed there in February and March last and these things seemed so singular in such an out of way place, and that the farm adjoining should be equally solidly built and occupied by Germans.

There was a Mr Church there at that time occupied as

book-keeper but he was not allowed to see any of the correspondence until it had been perused by one of the people in charge namely Messrs Schauer & Welter & Co. (Germans).

Church informed me that he was engaged in England at Newcastle by a Mr Ahlers under very severe conditions and that everything that was done there was under his instructions. and he also supplied everything.

I thought perhaps this information might interest you if it should turn out to be the same Mr Ahlers. In any case it seems a weak thing for our Government to allow a Colony of Germans to establish themselves in so dominating a position. and so near to the German border in B.E.A. I should like to know if you think it worth enquiring into. if so. the Uganda Railway people in the Haymarket, London. or the Colonial Office might give you some information.

Schauer Wilters & Co's Bankers. would be The National Bank of India, London, or. The Standard Bank of South Africa, or both.

Yours truly,

(Sd) F. Sandbach-Baker.

I can send you more information if you wish.

C.D.
N. 17088
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18 Dec 1914.

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The Director of
Public Prosecutions

Sir,

I am etc. to
acknowledge the receipt
of your letter of the 12th
of December and to
~~inform you that~~ transmit
to you for your info
the accompanying copy
of corres. regarding the
hotel at Kijabe,
E.A.P., owned by Messrs
Schauer Welter & Co.
The Governor of the

MINUTE.

- Mr. Harper, 16/12/14
- Mr. Bottomley, 16.12.14
- Mr.
- Mr.
- Sir G. Fiddes.
- Sir H. Just.
- Sir J. Anderson.
- Lord Islington.
- Mr. Harcourt.

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Friedrichs, 19 Aug (S/1627)
25 Aug
29 Aug } 37439
6 Dec

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Copy sent to J. J. 15 Jan 1915
a copy to Gov. conf. 22 Dec 14

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E.A.P. has been asked
to furnish a report on
the matter & a further
communication will
be addressed to you
when this is received.

2. I am to enquire
whether you would wish
an enquiry to be
addressed to the Post
Off. on the subject of
telegram.

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(sd). H. J. Read.
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