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Work Office

Military Expend - Common charges
Ordinance Stores & Clothing.

1916

20 May

Ends cover with P.C. resp. incidence of
Charge and Audit. Agree to audit of all
Party Home Annual & accounts being carried
on by Col. Audit Dept. Suggests the
concern be taken some formal to this effect.

Post Office Paper
No. 1044

~~Instructions~~ ^{to} read

See file 19415 & tel. to

Gov. I think all that

remains to be done is to tel.

20 May

Gov. account

Marshall

25 May

My tel of 28 April

Proprietor
annuloid

Part Audit staff will audit all

supply ^{annuloid} ^{capit test}
accounts including

as well as cash accounts.

22.5.16

2 copies of tel. to

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25/5/16

Vertical text on the left margin, possibly a date or reference number.

Any further communication on this subject should be addressed to:

The Secretary

and C. O. S. (Colonial Office)

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War Office,
London, S.W.

0165/7371 (P.L.)

1916.

Sir,

I am commanded by the Army Council to send you, for the information of Mr. Secretary Bonar Law, the enclosed copies of a letter of 10th January last from the General Officer Commanding in East Africa, on the question whether Ordnance Stores and Clothing should be regarded as military charges, and whether the audit of such stores should be carried out as usual. (The correspondence relating to the General Officer Commanding's letter has not been completed as a ready reply has not yet been received from the General Officer Commanding in East Africa.) I enclose also copies of a telegram of 5th May to the General Officer Commanding in East Africa, sent after semi-official consultation with the Colonial Office, and of a telegram of 5th May from the General Officer Commanding in East Africa. As a result of the sentence of the telegram dated 5th May, the Council, for their part, entirely approve of the audit of all supplies of stores, animal, etc. Accounts being carried out by the Colonial Audit Department, and I am to suggest that if Mr. Bonar Law agrees he should issue formal instructions to this effect.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

Under Secretary of State
Colonial Office.

[Handwritten signature]

Command Headquarters, S.E.A. & U.

NAIROBI, 10th January 1916

From:-

Major General Officer Commanding
I.E.F. "B" and the Troops in
S.E.A. & Uganda.

To:-

The Secretary,
War Office, London.

Sir,

I have the honour to forward herewith copies of
correspondence that has taken place over the question of
the audit of Ordnance stores.

I concur with the views expressed by the Auditor
General of the opinion that both Ordnance and Ordnance
(usually) should be regarded as Common charges, to be allocated
hereafter on a pro rata basis.

I request the favour of these views being taken up
with the Colonial Office and definite instructions issued on
the subject for guidance of all concerned.

I have the honour to be

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

(sgd.) J.W. FICKE, Major General
Commanding I.E.F. "B" and the
troops in S.E.A. & Uganda.

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War Office to General Officer Commanding-in-Chief
East Africa.

2.5.16

Your letter 854/78 of 10th January 1916.

Ordnance stores and clothing should be treated as common
charges, except first equipment of units.

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War Office to General Officer Commanding-in-Chief
East Africa.

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Your letter B54/78 of 10th January 1916.
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charges, except first equipment of units.



Telegram from General Smuts
War Office.

5th May, 1916.

535. Your telegram 3rd May 5833. Transport, animal and store accounts being kept (on) home system. Supply accounts Indian system, modified to meet local requirements. Reference Supplies, no change recommended is likely to lead to confusion. All accounts being audited by Colonel [redacted] - see my telegram 7th April A 506 to which no reply received.



Telegram from General Smuts
to War Office.

15th May, 1916.

535. Your telegram 3rd May 5833. All transport,
animal and store accounts being kept (on) home system.
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requirements. Reference Supplies, no change recommended
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audited by Colonial Auditor - see my telegram
of 14th April A 505 to which no reply received.