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Administration of Roman East Africa

5 Sept

Dear Sir,

last previous paper
of 1915 E.A.P. (ad-
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and 1916's (ad-
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in the above mentioned
papers you will find the
proceedings of the
East African Protectorate

in 1915.

In the present paper
I have to inform you
of the appointment
of Mr. G. S. ...
as ...

Yours faithfully

W. G. ...
Secretary
Treasury
Camerillo de ...
Department of ...

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Mr. H. J. ... to me about this year
he went on leave and we agreed
that the best way to fill
(temporarily) the vacancy created
by Mr. ... remark from
Matta would be to second
Mr. Robertson. Col. ... of ...
to replace him by sending to
Capt. P. F. Evans who held
the Capt. post for many years
previous to 1914 and has
absolutely been there in a staff
for some months, since he
retired. I should like to
second P. F. Evans at once,
to know if he would be willing
to go out again. (He is 67
but still quite competent.)

M. J. ...

Copy
This
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Japan

Any further communication on this
subject should be addressed to

The Secretary,
War Office,
London, S.W.

the following number quoted

65/7461. (M.O.2.B.).

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*War Office,
London, S.W.*

The Director of Military Operations presents his compliments to the Under Secretary of State for the Colonies, and begs to transmit copies of telegrams exchanged with the G.O.C-in-C., East Africa, relative to the proposed appointment of Mr H.A. Byatt, C.M.G. as Administrator of German East Africa.

5th September 1916.

The Under Secretary of State,
Colonial Office, S.W.

PARAPHRASE
THESE.

C.I.C.S. to G.O.C-in-C., East Africa.

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30-8-16.

No. 22220.- I am directed by the War Committee to send you the following message :-

In the opinion of His Majesty's Government the time has arrived to appoint a Civil Officer of experience as Administrator in German East Africa, to pick up the threads of the civil administration and to establish a provisional civil government, which could develop into the substantive government of the British Protectorate at the end of the war. The governmental machinery already set up by you could be taken over and developed by the Administrator. Technically he would be subordinate to the Military Authority, and during the continuance of the war he would derive his powers from that authority, but as regards matters of civil policy he would be directly responsible to the Secretary of State for the Colonies, and at first it would be necessary to give him a very free hand in relation to all these questions. By this arrangement it is hoped to relieve you of a large volume of work which is continually increasing. BYATT, at present Lieutenant-Governor of Malta, who was formerly Commissioner of Somaliland, is a very capable and experienced Officer who has shown conspicuous ability in handling difficult situations, and would be a suitable man in the opinion of His Majesty's Government. Should you concur in this suggested arrangement, BYATT could be sent out at once.

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TELEGRAM

G.O.C-in-C, East Africa to C.I.G.S.

2-9-16.

No.F.5620.- In reply to your 22220 of 30th August. I entirely agree. BYATT should be sent out at once.

Downing Street,

5 September, 1916.

My dear McKenna,

A letter has gone from the Colonial Office to the Treasury to-day about the appointment of a civil administrator for the territories occupied by our forces in Somalia East Africa. It is necessary to ask the Treasury approval of the salary to be offered to the Administrator, and I write to say that approval may be given at once as it is most important that there should be no delay in getting the Administrator to this country for discussion of principles, and then setting out to work in East Africa.

Yours sincerely,

(Signature)

You will remember that the...
...was decided to...
...approval to...
...to be granted...
...at once...

W.A. E.A.P.
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Downing Street,

5 September, 1916.

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Sir,

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SECRETARY.

TO THE TREASURY.

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Butler 5.9.16.

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Lambert 5

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G. Eddis

Sir. Matland

Bonar Law 5

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on Treasury
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With reference to the third paragraph of the letter from this Office No. 36003 of the 18th August, I am directed by Mr. Secretary Bonar Law to request you to inform the Lords Commissioners of the Treasury that he is of opinion that the time has now come for appointing an experienced civil officer as Administrator to gather up the threads of civil administration in ^{the occupied areas of} German East Africa, and to establish a provisional civil government which could, on the termination of the war, become the substantive government of a British ^{Colony} Protectorate. The Army Council and General Dyer have been consulted, and share this opinion. It is proposed that the Administrator appointed should

and develop any machinery of government already instituted in the occupied territories. He would be technically subordinate to the Military authority and would derive his powers from that authority during the war, but he would look to the Secretary of State for the Colonies direct for instructions on questions of civil policy, and would necessarily have a very free hand in such questions in the first instance.

2. The officer whom Mr. Benar Law proposes to select for the appointment is Mr. H. A. Byatt, C. M. G., at present Lieutenant-Governor and Chief Secretary to the Government of Malta, formerly Commissioner of Somaliland, a capable and experienced officer who has shown marked ability in dealing with difficult situations. It is proposed to second Mr. Byatt temporarily from the Service of Malta, and to send him out to East Africa as soon as possible after a short visit to this country to discuss the principles on which the new administration shall be carried out. Mr. Byatt's responsibility will be very great, as he will have to take over not only such form of administration as may have been established in the areas concerned, but also under the control of

General Smuts, but also the districts ^{and parts} in the south of German East Africa, which have been traversed by the forces under General Northey from the borders of Nyasaland and Rhodesia. In the circumstances, Mr. Bonar Law thinks it right to offer Mr. Byatt salary at the rate of £2,500 a year during his tenure of the ^{temporary} appointment, and he trusts that their Lordships will consent to this proposal without delay in order that the offer may be made to Mr. Byatt and he may be brought to this country at once.

3. It will not be possible to submit to their Lordships proposals for the staff of the new civil administration, and their salaries, until Mr. Byatt has been consulted, and possibly until he has had the advantage of studying the conditions under which the administration of the occupied territories is actually being carried on. Funds for the new civil administration will be provided in the manner approved in your letter

letter No. 22124/16 of the 25th August.

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PARAPHRASE TELEGRAM from the Secretary of State for the Colonies to General Sants

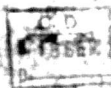
(Sent 12.46 p.m. 18th September, 1916.)

September 18th. Your telegram to War Office of 2nd September 7.0620. Sants has accepted appointment of Inspector and leaves Malta for England at an early date for consultation here. Further telegram will be sent as to date of departure.

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D.H.C. to 005/7481

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