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f.S. Referring to your letter of the 28th August of last year on the question of British Bast Africa terminals, do you think there is any likelihood of the Administration now accepting a reduced terminal rate for press messages.

(Intd.) W.H.

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despatch Wo. 142 of the 5th July 1918, a copy of which was forwarded to this Office). The Postmaster General will be clad to know whether the Government of the East African Protectorate can now see their way to accept a reduced terminal rate for Press messages.

I am,

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Your obedient Servant,

Ew Farnall

THE EASTERN TELEGRAPH COMPANY LIMITED.

Electra House, Finebury Payament, E.C.

No. F.

LONDON. 29th August 1917.

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Dear Mr. Brown.

I have your letter of the 28th instant with reference to the tariffs for British Government telegrams with British East Africa and enclose a statement of these rates on which I beg to make the following explanatory remarks.

For Mombasa Island the Company has in the past charged for official correspondence half the rate in operation for ordinary messages. Out of this rate of Fr.1.56 per word, we have paid the British East Africa authorities a half terminal of .04 cents so that there would appear to be no change necessary for Government telegrams with the Island.

For the Protectorate offices on the mainland, the reduction of the Government terminal tax from 20 cents to 10 cents would result in a reduction of the total collection charge in Great Britain from 1s.6d. to 1s.42d. per word.

I should be glad to have your confirmation to this tariff; also, before communicating with our offices, as to whether the reduction of the terminal is confined to Great Britain traffic or will also be applied to official correspondence exchanged with all other places in the International Telegraph System.

Yours truly.

for Managing Director.

(Sd.) W. Hibberdine,

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quoting Registered No. 168459.

GENERAL POST OFFICE, LONDON, E.C. 1.

27 September, 1917.

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Sir,

With reference to your letter of the 17th ultimo (40266/1917), concerning the reduction in the rate for Government telegrams for British East Africa, I am directed by the Postmaster General to say that he has communicated with the Eastern Telegraph Company on the subject, and has received a reply (copy enclosed) in which several questions are raised.

The reduced rate of 1s. 42d, a word, which the Company propose for Government telegrams from this country for Protectorate Offices on the Mainland, appears to be correct.

With regard to Mombaga Island, the Postmaster General assumes that there is no intention to increase the charge, and that the present rate of Fr.1.56<sup>25</sup>, or 1s.3d<sub>c</sub>, a word will be maintaged. He will be glad if this can be confirmed.

The Postmaster General will be glad also to know whether the reduced terminal charge for Protectorate Offices will apply not only to British Government telegrams for or from this country, but also to such telegrams sent by or to Dominion or Colonial Governments in any part of the World.

The Company refer in the postsoript to their letter to an enquiry made last year concerning the terminal charge on Press telegrams for British East Africa (see the Deputy Governor's

despatch