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MILITARY DISCHARGE GRATUITIES

Gratuities under Art. 49th Pay Warrant are not admissible in respect of any period officers are employed on special rates of pay vide para 2 (d) of Army Order 405 of 1918. Encloses corres. as to Major Hayes-Sadler from which it is understood he was in receipt of pay at Pay Warrant rates and gratuity is issuable for periods he was paid.

No Machting.

I cannot follow these two letters which seem contradictory. As regards para 2 of the letter of the 14th of January it looks as if the W.O. have again forgotten that the E.A. forces are not on Army rates of pay, but that it has been agreed to issue gratuity to them based on Army rates of pay. I think we might ^{remind} the W.O. that they agreed to E.A. forces being granted a gratuity on Army rates of pay, though they are paid at rates laid down by the U.S. and ask whether they mean that ^{military} any officer cannot count service with a Political Dept. ^{in such a way} towards ^{part of} his gratuity. (As regards A. 3. do not know whether was considered the Political Dept. as ^{part of} ~~under~~ the Military Dept. I believe it was administered by Sir Edward, then Gen. Northey. Whether we do consider or if as such or not would make a difference in the attitude we take up with the W.O. on the matter. The W.O. I believe hold that a Political Officer as such is ineligible for gratuity.)

subsequent Paper.

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Mr. Betsey Cox

Planned I write to you

Paterson on in 87

herewith ?

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W.C.S. 14.5.19

All further communications on this subject should be addressed to—

The Secretary,
War Office,
London, S.W. 1.

and the following number quoted.

FP20/54 (F.R.b.)

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WAR OFFICE
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LONDON, S.W. 1.
RECEIVED APR 2

27 April 1919.

Sir,

In reply to your letter of 2nd April 1919, ^{Gas} 17342/1919, I am commanded by the Army Council to acquaint you that gratuities under Article 497 Pay Warrant are not admissible in respect of any period; Officers are employed on special rates of pay vide paragraph 2 (d) of Army Order 406 of 1915.

As regards the case of Major R. Hayes-Sadler, the enclosed copy of correspondence is forwarded from which it is understood that this officer was in receipt of pay at Pay Warrant rates, and the gratuity is issuable for the periods he was so paid.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

(Signature)

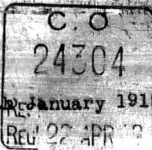
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829/52 (F.2.b.)

11th January 1919.

Sir,

With reference to your letter of 1st December 1918, I am directed to acquaint you that service with the German South West African Campaign does not reckon for a gratuity under Article 497 Pay Warrant as pay etc., were not issuable from Army Funds in respect of that service.

As regards the service in East Africa unless you were in receipt of rates of pay at Pay Warrant rates no gratuity is issuable under paragraph 5 (d) of Army Order 406 of 1915.

It is understood that you were in receipt of a special rate of pay as District Political Officer.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

(Sgd) G.R. Rice.

for the Assistant Financial Secretary.

R. Hayes-Sadler,
British Red Cross Society,
Sandaores,
Parkstone,
Dorset.

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Downing Street,

15th May, 1919.

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DRAFT.

PERSON, ESQ.,
(F. 2.) WAR OFFICE.

Dear Paterson,

We are rather puzzled ^{by} at your letter No. 75829/54 (F. 2. b.) of the 22nd April, in which ^{it is} you laid down that officers employed on special rates of pay are not eligible for gratuity under Article 497 of the Pay Warrant.

MINUTE.

As you know, it has been specially arranged that officers of the local E.A. Forces should be eligible for the gratuity like officers of the British Army paid at British rates. All officers of the local E.A. Forces are paid at special rates and the ^{incanute} force of your letter is therefore not clear, unless it is intended ~~to mean~~ that a military officer cannot count service in the Political Dept. ^{at such} for the purpose of war gratuity. If this is so, it should perhaps be made clear that there has never been any question of giving the gratuity to civil political officers paid on civil rates of pay who are doing civil political work.

Machtig, 13/5
Returned 14.5.19

- Grindle.*
- H. Lambert.*
- H. Read.*
- G. Fiddes.*
- Amery.*
- Milner.*

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However there was in E.A. a purely ^{rates} military unit of the Military Political

who were military officers serving
Dept. which served with the Troops and whose officers
were paid at ^{about} the same rates of pay as all the other
local E.A. Forces. They were employed with the
troops and had no connection with the civil political
appointments in E.A. It does not seem possible to
exclude all such officers from the benefits which were
agreed to for officers of the local E.A. Forces generally,
and it is ~~not~~ ~~the~~ ~~intention~~ ~~of~~ ~~the~~ ~~Government~~ ~~that~~ ~~it~~ ~~should~~ ~~not~~ ~~be~~ ~~the~~ ~~intention~~.

Will you kindly let me know whether you agree that
in the case of those military political officers who did
military work ~~in the past~~ ~~and~~ ~~who~~ ~~are~~ ~~now~~ ~~in~~ ~~the~~ ~~service~~ ~~of~~ ~~the~~ ~~Government~~ ~~it~~ ~~is~~ ~~not~~ ~~the~~ ~~intention~~ ~~of~~ ~~the~~ ~~Government~~ ~~that~~ ~~it~~ ~~should~~ ~~not~~ ~~be~~ ~~the~~ ~~intention~~
the usual way?

(Signed) J. G. ...