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Non-European Asiatic Clarks of Millandist & M.A.C

1919

28 Nov

Last previous Paper.

2nd copy of tel recd. from Tadwalker +
request regarding be made + relief offered.
Also copy tel recd resp clarks of CAAC.

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Mr. heading in B. ...

The second enclosure makes it
a little clearer what the trouble is.
These men were apparently treated as
soldiers, & then after their agreements
had been signed it was discovered
that this was wrong, and the gratuity
and bonus paid to them is being
recovered. But I think we must
wait for the O.A.G.'s recommendation
for which we have asked.

? Reply that the tel from
Mr. Tadwalker has already been
received here, and that we are
in communication with the local Govt
in the matter.

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November 28th.

1919.

The Rt. Hon. the Secretary of State for the Colonies,
Whitehall, S.W.1.

Sir,

My Association has received from Mr. Tadwalker, P.O. Box 319, Nairobi, British East Africa, a telegram, of which I enclose herewith a copy. I also enclose a copy of a further telegram that my Association has received in the same matter. I am directed to request you to cause an inquiry to be made into the matter therein complained of, and to inform my Association, in due course, of the relief, if any, that has been granted to the Petitioners.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,


Hon. Secretary.

Encls.

Copy of Telegram.

- Kaloph Strand Ln -

NonEuropean and Asiatic Clerks of Military Audit and Labour Corps respectfully submit recognizing abnormal increased cost of living adequate concessions for relief were granted from January 1917 to Asiatic Civil Subordinates. Vide Sir Alfred Lascelles Report to Colonial Secretary. Petitioners were mostly attested and served military about five years. Regardless of this and high cost of living they were deprived of war bonus gratuity and other similar concessions due to military men. Petitioners submitted to proper authorities that other Asiatic Clerks of East Africa Pay Corps have been given the concessions mentioned above and since the petitioners were equally subject to these trying circumstances they craved that at least such relief as was thought adequate and imperative by Sir Alfred in the case of Civil Clerks may not be withheld from them in Common fairness. Petitioners have been offered relief on new scale viz addition of Rupees thirty per month to cover increased cost of living from April last and also grant of 57 days wages after three years completed service which is entirely inadequate and unfair in view of fact petitioners stood in graver necessity of relief than now. After petitioners engagements wages were consolidated ration allowance to extent of Rupees fifteen to thirty being included but not war bonus gratuity house allowance etc. The point therefore petitioners were engaged on salaries inclusive of everything is simply misrepresenting and erroneous. Another point also to be borne in mind being grades on Civil basis were introduced and increases in salaries from time to time were given in consideration of comparatively more responsible duties performed. This only a proper enquiry will show. Petitioners consider they loyally served the Government during war and are therefore justly entitled to other civil concessions or to military privileges such as war bonus gratuity house allowance clothing and equipment allowance passage to India etc. Pray that these be granted to all of your humble petitioners including those Asiatic clerks who were discharged being redundant prior to November 1918 and who received no relief on any scale. Petitioners who have been suffering grievously on so prejudicial and unjustifiable grounds look to you at the last moment for justice and fervently hope and trust they will not look in vain. General Officer commanding refused to forward this cablegram hence this direct. As result of this recoveries of concessions above referred are now being made from Asiatic Clerks of East Africa Pay Corps.

W. Walker for Clerks.

Post Box 319 Nairobi.

Copy of Telegram from Nairobi.

Maloph Strand Ln

East Africa Kay Corps nonEuropeans duly attested on corps strength treated as soldiers under martial law found eligible for gratuity and bonus. Entered into further year's agreement to serve from April last. Gratuity and bonus paid as privates. Headquarters now consider payment erroneous and recovery being effected from salaries. Similar concession allowed Indian personnel Pioneers Transport etc. Appealing you instruct suspension recovery. Memorial posting. Headquarters refuse forwarding hence send direct.

anon, representing staff.

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Ansrd 1367
20th Dec. 1919

Sir,

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Sec.

Business Assocn.

I am directed to

ack. the receipt of your letter

of the 28th of Nov., and

MINUTE.

to inform you that the
from Mr. Tadwalkar
telegram L 19 which you enclosed

a copy, has already been

received in this Dept.,

and that an enquiry is

being made of the local

Govt. with regard to the

- Mr. Jeffries 1.12.19
- Mr. Macarty 1/2
- Mr.
- Mr. Grindle.
- Sir H. Lambert.
- Sir H. Read.
- Sir G. Fiddes.
- Col. Amery.
- Lord Milner.

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to send
signed

therein.

complaints put forward by

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~~Asiatic Clerks of the~~

~~African Military Audit~~

~~Dept. & ~~the~~ Military~~

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