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LONDON CHAMBER
OF
COMMERCE

1919
30TH DECEMBER

INCREASE OF RAILWAY RATES

Meeting expresses hope Govt will be instructed to order withdrawal of increase to be retrospective as if increased rates had not come into operation at all.

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W. B. Mackay

See us again for this concession. We do not know the amount involved, if a refund were made & it wd be well to ascertain this.

? will accept a promise further communication

? send copy to Mr Mackay
officially for his attention
more attention he can
give an estimate of the
additional revenue raised
by the proposed rates
during the period that they
were in operation. Accord

I do not think that he is not

Handed to Mr...
Copy sent Oct 85
7 Jan 1919

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Can give a better estimate than
we can. 63348 shows that the
effect of moving from 6 Nov. was
expected to be a saving of
£129,600, or
£6,080 a week - i.e. ~~£30,000~~
to be cut out

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~~to be cut out~~
to the 5 weeks Oct 11 to 5 Nov would

As the income in
working expenses, due to increased
rates, showed, be negligible, the
gross receipts for the 5 weeks would
also be £30,000, but it may be
reduced or increased

according. Whether to give
back or bring in that particular
time

Sir Eric S. Hartley is distinctly
sceptical about the removal of the
admission, and so we have not yet
got the recommendation we have
asked for. I realize, however, it is not
possible to say that the removal
may not have to be considered.

I should be very reluctant
to give a refund, as all seems
to be on the motion of public
opinion.

? Do Sir E. Hartley for further
but I can see no use in asking for
an estimate

Oct. 21. 1920

I see no grounds for making a refund
Ack. & express regret that the S. P.
is unable to entertain the suggestion

at once

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J. D. R.

7/2/20

~~PAID~~

with me

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& 97, CANNON STREET,

LONDON, E.C. 4.

30th December, 1919.

The Under Secretary of State,
Colonial Office,
S.W.1.

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Dear Sir,

I beg to refer to your letter of 10th November, reference 63342/1919, on the subject of the increase in East African Railway Rates and in which you state that the Governor of East Africa has ordered the suspension of the increased railway rates on the Uganda railway (other than the increased passenger fares) with effect from 6th November 1919.

This letter was reported to the last meeting of the East African Section of this Chamber, when it was pointed out that the increases had apparently been operative for a period of five weeks viz., from last October to 6th November, and that merchants and farmers and others who had occasion to forward goods by rail during that period would have been placed thereby at a disadvantage.

I am instructed to express the hope that the Secretary of State will see his way to request the Governor to order that the withdrawal of the increase should be made retrospective as if the increased railway rates had not come into operation at all.

Yours faithfully,

Charles Murray Jones
Secretary

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The Secretaries
London Chamber of Commerce

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6 January 1930

Presently 2 Jan
Parkinson, J.S.

Sir,

Grindle.

H.S. Lambert.

H. Reid.

G. Fildes.

H. Amery.

H. Milner.

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In reply to
~~your letter of the 30th~~
of your letter of the 30th of
Dec last, ~~in which you~~
expressed the suggestion that
the withdrawal of the various
rates on the UK should be
made retroactive to the
date of their original
imposition cannot be
entertained

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