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Thompson, A.D.

LEASE OF FARM
BOUGHT FROM A MR GARDNER

1914

19th June

Last previous Paper:

Complaint of alteration in terms of lease by
the Land Office and requests enquiry.

Copy to the file for report -
inf. writer that this had been
done 1914

at home.
H. J. R.

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Mr. J. G. M.
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1944 June

Sir

I wish to put before you our case which I think you will agree is rather a hard one. In October, 1933 I bought a 99 years lease of a farm in the Protectorate from Mr. Gardner of the National Bank of India for my wife. I wanted the title deeds but they told me that although they were already due they would not be ready for a number of months. I went to England left a Manager who arrived in March 1934. I found the title deeds not yet ready. The Land Office told me I could have the title deeds as soon as my wife and I agreed to a revision of rent in 33 years & again in 66. They say now that the revision of rent was put in the original notice on which the land was sold but as this was left out in all subsequent documents, the land was obviously not sold to us under these conditions which materially alter the value of the property in question.

Mr. Gardner the original Buyer & holder holds the signed permission of his Land Office for the sale (signed in the head of the L. Office) without any conditions as to the alteration of the document. I seek the permission to

all and over all the money, & now the Land Office
 are not giving us our little deeds until we agree to the
 altered conditions. As we paid over the money
 the strength of seeing this signed permission to
 sell - the promise on all sides of the little deeds
 quickly in November. I think you will agree
 that this is rather hard treatment. After money
 has been paid & the permission signed, it is better
 for us of the Land Office to withdraw the signature
 & wish to alter conditions.

I hope you will give this matter your
 earnest consideration.

I have the honor to be Sir,
 your obedient servant,

A. Douglas Thompson