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1915

19th March

Last previous Paper.

LEAVE CERTIFICATES

Reports as to present difficulty of stating date from which an officers leave takes effect. Submits proposals for overcoming.

~~In Bottom~~

As E. African leave commences and ends in His country, it is of little importance to us to know the date on which an officer leaves the Dist., especially under present conditions which make it necessary for us to allow the actual time taken on the voyage to count for full pay, (and not an "ideal" 28 days or so). When the steamer service was regular, and an officer was only allowed 28 days for the voyage, the insertion of the date of departure facilitated a certain stat that an officer had not taken more than 28 days.

We shall probably have to allow 28 days for the actual period taken on the voyage during the war, and the Govt's proposal to omit the date of departure from

Next subsequent Paper.

~~Leave~~) appears to be both necessary
and in present conditions, free from
affection. A C.Wood has looked up the paper
showing how the new form of leave
act. came into being and finds that
the inception of date of departure was
not suggested by us, but simply appeared
in the new form, and was not commented
on. It is probably a survival from the
days of the old leave rules when leave
began and ended in the Post.

- ① ? actn. not and approve the proposal
while steamer services are irregular
- ② ? send copy of dep. and our reply to
C.A. for info LF.

R.D. 14.4.15

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C.W. 16.4.15 at once

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EAST AFRICA PROTECTORATE

No. 210

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

NAIROBI,

BRITISH EAST AFRICA.

19th March 1915.

Sir,

I have the honour to report that the present uncertainty with regard to the date on which a steamer is to leave for Europe from this Protectorate has rendered it practically impossible for me to state with accuracy, when forwarding leave and last pay certificates, the day from which an officer's leave is to take effect.

2. The existing procedure is as follows. The leave papers are compiled in the Treasury and are then forwarded to the Secretariat where the covering despatch is prepared on the usual printed form. You will observe that on this form it is definitely stated that an officer's leave takes effect from a certain date, the date given in the despatch corresponding with that shown in the leave papers as the approximate date of the departure of the steamer.

3. It is of course necessary for these despatches to be prepared a few days prior to the expected date of departure of the steamer, and as at the present time it is the exception rather than

THE SECRETARY FOR THE COLONIES

SIR JULIAN MARSHALL, P.C., M.A.

SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES.

BIRMINGHAM STREET, LONDON, E.C.

than the rule for a steamer to adhere to the advertised schedule it follows that either an officer must proceed to England in advance of his leave papers or I must forward them to you giving an incorrect date of his departure. I should perhaps add that as any alteration in the date of sailing of a steamer is generally only known at the last moment, it is as a rule impossible to prepare fresh leave papers in time.

4. For an officer to proceed to England in advance of his leave papers is so inconvenient to himself that I have thought it best to forward them as originally prepared, and to draw your attention to this inaccuracy in a subsequent despatch. This constitutes a duplication of work which appears to me somewhat unnecessary, and I therefore propose that the following arrangement should be instituted forthwith. The leave papers as prepared by the Treasury will be forwarded by me so as to reach England at the same time as, or even in advance of, the officer concerned, but no mention of the date on which his leave takes effect will be given in my despatch. If any alteration is necessary the Treasury will advise the Crown Agents as at present.

5. I imagine that, though it is desirable for you to be notified of the arrival in England of an officer on leave, it is not of material importance that you should be aware of the precise date on which his leave commenced,

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and I trust therefore that you will acquiesce
in this arrangement, which will do away with
the inconvenience at present existing.

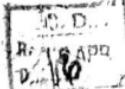
I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your humble obedient servant,

W. Roaring
GOVERNOR'S DEPT.

~~Regd Govt/7025/ Post & Post~~



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21 April, 1915

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rec'd of your despatch No 215

(7025)

of the 19th of March, 1915

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has not written his name

DRAFT.

D. A. O. No. 280

Govt. P. H. C. Belford
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MINUTE.

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Mr. Bottomley 16.4.15

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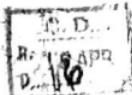
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~~word to order that, if~~
~~he has not, then his voyage~~
~~had exceeded the date of~~
~~his return. This procedure~~
~~is not of much use~~
~~in cases where the officer~~
~~has not been home~~



21 April, 1915

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rec'd of your despatch No 215

of the 19th of March, ~~2015~~

in the question of the inclusion in leave certificates
of the date of an officer's
departure from the Dist.

1. It is rarely necessary for
an officer to know the date of departure,
and the existing procedure is
less accurate and with
useful if in any case it is
regard to the period when
necessary to verify that the
officer is off duty as the same
officer has some time first and
second in order that if he
has not broken his voyage
had exceeded the date of
his return. This practice
is now discontinued and
the date will be
stated on the certificate.

commencement of leave in His County might be anticipated so as to prevent them gaining any advantage by the delay.

3. In present circumstances it is ~~generally~~ delayed beyond the officers departure to allow the whole period necessary to allow the whole period necessary for you to return on the voyage to count for full pay, but it is more the less desirable to leave it possible that can be forced at the time there is no unnecessary delay or of sailing at the time the voyage. For this purpose I prefer the actual date should be placed of the prospective return, may be date of departure at least should a Secretarial Note and be inserted in the leave certificate if more convenient, though it will not be necessary to make any subsequent correction should the date of departure be altered, unless there are important reasons for this to prevent cases.

4. Another, however, & difficult arising in His connexion with be learned when Officers are allowed to travel by the R.R. for which remain some at present a regular service.

(Signed) B. BARBOUR.