

It is time we brought 500 into the
It is as much the palace as ours.
? Will then explain position &
no difficulty take this advice as to
what should be done (these might be all to
dispose of them at St Helena?)

Dec. 15. 4. 15

at Vorell
U. 16. 4. 15

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Immediate

Secret

17 April 1915

Sir,

With ref. to the letter
from the Dept of
the 17 April previous

concerning the subject
of the deportation of

33 disaffected Somali
Scouts from the East

I am able to transmit
to you
for the consideration of the
a copy of a letter

dated April 15th from
the Gov. of the East

stating that it is not
possible for these men

to be sent to the
Sudan.

DRAFT.

The Secretary
War Office

MINUTE.

Mr. Egan 16/4/15

Mr. Poston 17/4/15

Mr.

Mr.

Sir G. Piddes.

Sir H. Just.

Sir J. Anderson.

Lord Islington.

Mr. Harcourt.

tel. April 15
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2 The A. C. are aware
from previous correspondence
that it was decided
to be impracticable
to deposit these smaller
to Bourbon or Adou.
As regards Seychelles
I am to point out
that there are no
men in those islands
to act as guard should
the smaller be sent
there and that
it was found necessary
for their return to
send to Bombay the
four Persian prisoners
who were obtained in
Seychelles at the outbreak
of war.

3 In these circumstances
as the matter is
one which to some
extent concerns the G.O.
I beg to say that I
be glad if he
might receive the
advice of the A. C.
as to what action
is to be taken in
this opinion
is to be taken.

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