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NATROBIS NEVELS

October 7th, 1915.

Sir

With reference to my despatch Net 287 of 10th May last, I have the honour to transmit herewith copies of a letter from Wr.A.C.Holzapfel respecting the detention of his sister Miss S.Holzapfel at Belgaum in India.

- 2. I have consulted the General Officer Commanding on the subject and we are agreed that there is no objection to the release of the Aady in question on condition that she proceeds straight to America via Japan at the expense of her relatives, and that she remains in America until the conclusion of hostilities.
- I have therefore the honour to request that, if you concur, the Secretary of State for India may be communicated with with a view to the necessary instructions being conveyed to the Government of India.

I have the honour to be, Sir, Your humble, thent serve

Johns S. John

ALORT REMOURABLE P.C. U.P. AND THE COMMING STREET, LONDON, S. W.

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Holzapfel

New York 1118
3rd August, 1915.

His Excellency
the Governor.

British East African Possessions, Nairobi, British E. Africa.

Sir.

My sister, Miss S. Holsapfel, was taken prisoner of war at the beginning of the war at Kyjabe Hill where she resided on the property of my brother, Mr. Max Holzapfel. She is now at Belgaum, S. India, and the climate is seriously affecting her health. She is an inoffensive old maid of about 51 years of age, and I cannot see how she can in any way injure the prospects of the British cause by being allowed to come to America, via Japan. I have already applied to his Majesty's Secretary of State for India asking for her release, but I understand my letter was referred to you as being the official who has to dispose of this matter. I have also sent an application to the Officer Commanding the Prisoner's Camp at Belgaum in the same sense, and have asked that she be allowed to proceed either to Colombo or Bombay in order to take steamer to Yokohama, and thence to San Francisco and here. where she would have been home with me till the war is finished.

i sincerely trust that such source may be allowed by yourself with the least the delay, as my sister's health has been severely and by the climate.

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My sister has three other prothers, who like mysel? have been naturalised British subjects for from 30 to 40 years. Our firm, Helsanfale Ltd. has been for many years contractors to the British Navy and we have considerable property in England. For my part I can give every guarantee that my sister will do nothing which could in any many prejudice the British Cause in this War and I hereby undertake that a similar guarantee will be forth coming from my three brothers, two of whom are at present in England, that is, Mr. M. Holsanfel, now in Norway, Mr. W. Holsanfel, i Cullum Street, London, and Mr. L. Holzanfel of South End-on-Sea.

I beg. etc., etc.,

Sd/- A. C. Holzapfel.

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