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Westdeutsche Handels und Plantagen Gesellschaft
of America

1915
22 Dec

last previous paper

Reports purchase by a few days of Raiff for
£1000 in London Office of Natl Bank of Brazil.
Bank has never been presented, but local
branch & Bank refuses to transfer amount
to credit of company in Montreal branch, the
reasonable suggestion made, to provide a letter
to Brazilian Embassy there to demand that letter
be forwarded to me.

It will be seen from 4147 that the German
firm has a large balance of available assets over
debts to non-enemy persons. It does not therefore
seem to matter very much if the liquidator cannot
recover this amount from the Bank.

With regard to the proposal put forward in
paragraph 4, I believe the Public Trustee is not
entitled to receive a payment of this kind. Perhaps
we might send a copy of this despatch to him saying
that we understand that the German firm has a large
balance of assets in hand after making allowance for
all claims of non-enemy creditors, and ask for his
observations with regard to paragraph 4.

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Debated when the case was in 1915
(S522) and so I have drafted

Letter 4147/6 Oct 25/16
about R. 25/16

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ST AFRICA PROTECTORATE.

No. 876

RECD
4 JAN 16
GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
NAIROBI,

BRITISH EAST AFRICA.

22nd December, 1916.

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Sir,

I have the honour to report that the Westdeutsche Handels und Plantagen Gesellschaft of Mombasa, now in process of liquidation by the Official Liquidator of Enemy Aliens, purchased on the 11th of July 1914 from the National Bank of India, Mombasa, a draft for £1000 on the London office of that Bank.

2. This draft has never been presented at the bank for payment and is probably in the Head Office of the Company at Dusseldorf.

3. The local branch of the Bank was requested to transfer the amount in question back to the credit of the Company in Mombasa, but decline to do so on the grounds that they will probably be called

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE

ANDREW BONAR LAW, P.C., M.P.,

SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES,

DOWNING STREET,

LONDON, S. W.

called upon to pay the draft after the war.

4. I consider this attitude on the part of the Bank to be reasonable, but I have to suggest that the money should be paid over in London to the Custodian of Enemy Property earmarked as in payment of the draft, so that the question of eventual payment or set off may be settled at home.

5. The local branch of the Bank have been requested to treat the matter in this way.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your humble, obedient servant,

C. Bowring

GOVERNOR'S Deputy

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26 February 1916

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The Public Committee

Mr. Borden 25/2/6

Mr. Reed 25

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Sir G. Muddes.

Sir H. Just.

Sir J. Anderson.

Mr. Stan. Macleod.

Mrs. Borden, Law.

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I am directed by
Sir Guy Borden Law to
transmit to you the
accompanying copy of
a despatch which has
been received from the
Despatch to the Governor of
the East Africa Post
on the subject of a
draft for £1,000,000
London Office of the National
Bank of India purchased
from the Mumbai Office
of the Bank by a German
firm now in process of
liquidation.

2. Sir Guy Borden Law will
be glad to receive your
views on the proposal

made in para 4 of the
debate. Nam to observe
that it is understood
that the firm has a
large balance of assets
in hand after making
allowance for all claims
of non-existing creditors.

E. T.

(Signed) H. W. JUST.

made in favor of the
debtor. I am to observe
that it is understood
that the firm has a
large balance of assets
in hand after making
allowance for all claims
of pecuniary creditors.

E. T. J.

(Signed) H. W. JUST.