

German Colonies & Protectorates
It is requested that copies of these papers have also been sent to you by the FO
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that the S O C the German

Force of German Force should be instructed
local
to endeavour to arrange with the German

military authorities for a reading of lists of

persons of names, copies of the lists given

to the German authorities to be sent

to help in transmission to Germany Major Ten Drell

I am to request that a copy of the
returned
reply ~~sent~~ by the W.C. to the FO letter

may be sent to this Dept a copy
of this letter ~~has~~ being

sent to the FO

Signed H. J. READ
Under Secretary of State

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31 JUL 15

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BRITISH SUBJECTS IN GERMAN EAST AFRICA
REPARATION

For concurrence copy of proposed Note to
the American Ambassador on the subject. Also enclosed
copies of correspondence with F.O. and C.V. Society

See 35766

no correspondence in relation referred

to be possible in regard to Africa

(1) That we are agreed that
reparation in Africa is a
usual line of discussion. We hold
FO a FO 12282 that we would
not object if we agreed.

(2) That the German Govt's direction
to send instructions to the Govt.
of S. S. A. (35766) has to some

Government Paper

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Extent became out of date, as
the Govt. of S S a have of late an
accord communicated to the
British Ambassadors of war (see ^{Admiral} 29004)

Name the draft is to be ~~to~~ to

Page enclosed herewith

We must naturally fall in with
the views of the Govt and the
Govt will before undertaking
arrange for the communication
between the Govt of S S a and the
Govt of S S a we may have
telegraph to Sir H. Duffell
ask him what is proposed and
ask him whether it is feasible
I should not like to await
other hand that it is possible
for them to communicate except
for him to say I suspect it will
likely have been better for the
communication to be arranged through
the Admiral.

But (so far as S. Africa is
concerned) ? telegraph to ³¹¹ Gov
S. A. as proposed (Oct 9).
know that we are doing sending
them copy of tel.

[Niger Dept should see Genl. A.P.
as Cameroons are concerned
no 35166]

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I advise the FO letter of 15 Jan

(FO
2396/15 Jca) referred to in their
letter to Sec of State. It is not
very helpful.

? Tel as proposed.

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1945.

The Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs presents his compliments to the United States Ambassador, and has the honour to state that the authorities of the German East Africa Protectorate have communicated to His Majesty's Government a list of the British prisoners of war in the Protectorate.

The Secretary of State would be much obliged if Mr. Page would request the United States Ambassador at Berlin to communicate this information to the German Government.

Foreign Office,
 29 July 1945.

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PRISONERS AND ALIENS.

[June 18.]

CONFIDENTIAL.

SECTION 1

70807

No 1

War Office to Foreign Office. (Received, June 18.)

War Office, June 17, 1915.

With reference to the agreements which have been arrived at with the German Government for the mutual repatriation of various classes of enemy subjects, I am informed by the Army Council to inform you, for the information of Secretary of State, that enquiries have been received from various quarters regarding the application of these agreements to India and to the colonies. In this connection I am to draw your attention to your letter of the 26th August, War Office reply of the 27th August, and to your further letters of the 29th September addressed to the War Office and of the 10th October addressed to the Foreign Office, and to the notes to the United States Ambassador of the 31st August and of the 5th October, and from the United States Ambassador of the 22nd October. From these it would appear to the Council that the agreements in question only apply to such enemy subjects as might be detained in Great Britain, to the exclusion of those interned or resident in India or the colonies.

That this is also the view of the German Government would seem to be indicated by the fact that they have recently requested the extension of the exchange of incapacitated officers and men to cover the case of severely wounded prisoners of war in our unoccupied protectorates.

I am to ask whether Sir E. Grey concurs in this interpretation of the agreements, and to point out that the acceptance of these agreements as being applicable to the unoccupied portions of the British and German Empires is all to our disadvantage, as we are in a position to fulfil our undertaking, whereas Germany cannot do so.

I am, &c.

B. E. CUBITT

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MSOC (S.F.).

July, 1916.

Sir,

I am commanded by the Army Council to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No. 79807/10 of 24th June, regarding the repatriation of German subjects detained in India and the Colonies.

In reply to the last paragraph thereof I am to acquaint you, for the information of Secretary Sir A. Grey, that the Council would be willing to agree to arrangements being made for the mutual exchange of such of the civilians who are now detained in German East Africa and British East Africa respectively as fall within the categories which form the subject of already existing agreements between this country and Germany.

I am to add that, so far as is disclosed by the information in the possession of the Council, the number of British subjects detained in German East Africa is as follows :-

<u>Soldiers</u> :-	British Officers	1
	British Non-commissioned officers and men	31
	Indian Officers	10
	Indian soldiers (number unknown)	

Sailors

<u>Dealers:-</u>		2
<u>Manufacturers:-</u>	Male	17
	Female	0
<u>Stores & Nurseries:-</u>		2
<u>Others:-</u>		46
<u>Other divisions:-</u>	Male	27
	Female	0

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DESIGN OFFICE.

16 JUL 1915

Sir:-

With reference to your letter of the 3rd ultimo transmitting a list of missionaries of your Society detained as prisoners of war in German East Africa, I was directed by Secretary Sir E. Grey to state that a list of British prisoners of war, which has been communicated to the Commander in Chief, Cape, by the German authorities of the Protectorate in question, only contains the names of the following persons out of your list:-

The Reverend and Mrs. J.H. Briggs and
The Reverend T.B.R. Westgate.

The list also contains the names of Mabel Puckham, William Green and Florence Evelyn. These names do not appear on the list furnished by the Universities Mission and they may therefore be those of members of the Church Missionary Society.

I am to enquire whether, in the event of its

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Lay Secretary

Church Missionary Society.

Salisbury square. E. C.

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being possible to arrange for the release of such of the British civilians now detained in German East Africa as fall within the categories covered by existing agreements between His Majesty's Government and the German Government namely, women and children, clergymen and doctors, and males under seventeen and over fifty-five years of age, the missionaries of your Society would desire to leave.

I am,

Sir,

Your most obedient,

humble servant,

Law.

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22nd July, 1919.

Dear Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 17th inst. with reference to the missionaries mentioned therein. I am sorry to hear that you are unable to get any information from the Japanese authorities.

I do not know how far the Japanese authorities will be able to help you in your search for the missionaries mentioned in your letter. It is possible that they may be able to give you some information.

It would be possible to arrange for the release of those missionaries who fall within the categories mentioned in your letter. In other categories all the missionaries may be able to be released to be arranged subject to their own desires in the matter.

We should be glad to know whether you draw any distinction between "Prisoners of War" and other of our missionaries who may be "interned", or whether it is at all likely that these three missionaries are the only ones "interned", and that the others are permitted to

continue

Under-Secretary of State,
Foreign Office,
Whitehall, S.W.



F. O.

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r. Page

The Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs presents his compliments to the United States Ambassador and has the honour to state that there are a number of British subjects in German East Africa who are entitled to repatriation under the agreement between His Majesty's Government and the German Government.

Sir S. Grey would suggest that the necessary arrangements for the repatriation of British subjects desiring to leave should be made locally between the Governor of British East Africa and the Governor of German East Africa. His Majesty's Government are prepared to convey

convey to the Governor of German East
Africa any instructions which the German
Government may desire to send to His
Excellency on the subject.

Mr. Grey would be much obliged if
Mr. Page would request the United States
Ambassador at Berlin to bring the above
to the notice of the German Government.

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The Under-Secretary of State for Foreign

Affairs has sent his compliments to the Secretary of the Church Missionary Society, and is directed by Secretary Sir E. Grey to acknowledge the receipt of the letter of the 23rd instant regarding the repatriation of the members of the Society at present detained in German East Africa.

Sir E. is also requesting the United States Ambassador in Germany, the United States Ambassador in Berlin, to approach the German Government in regard to the release of British subjects in German East Africa with a view to repatriation.

With regard to the enquiry contained in

the

the last paragraph of your letter Sir E. Grey

is disposed to think that those British

Subjects in German East Africa who are not

included in the list of Prisoners of War are

not interned.

Foreign Office.

9 JUL 1915

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13 August

DRAFT Telegram

for Paris

MINUTE

Mr. Skyring 12/10/15
Mr. Bottomley 3.15 p.m.

- Mr. Fiddle
- Mr. H. Just
- Mr. J. Anderson
- Mr. Steel-Maitland
- Mr. B. L. L.

Mr. H. & C.F.
Tel no 35766

It is proposed to
 make arrangements
 with the Government
 for repatriation of those
 subjects in the
 slagheap who are entitled to
 repatriation under
 agreement between the
 Government and
 German Govt.
 Do you consider it feasible
 for you to make special enquiry
 as to the possibility of repatriating
 those subjects

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Mr. Meppan 12/8/15
Mr. Bottomley 12.8.15

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To Mr. EAP (12 Aug)
(4th receipt)

Sir

I am so to acknowledge
the receipt of your
letter, No. 100087/15,
of the 30th of July
and to transmit to
you, for the info.
of Secy. in Bd. for
the account. copy of
a tel. which has
been despatched to the
Govt of the Bd. on the
subject of the proposed

(P.T.O.)