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RECORDS SECTION

PLANNING SCHEME etc.

MUNICIPAL DEVELOPMENT

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Subject to the sanction of the Government, desires to submit resolution to the Legislative Council in regard to provision of funds to enable Mombasa Town Planning Scheme and other municipal development to be completed.

The position is as follows:-

(a) The sum of £129,000 was included for Mombasa Town Planning in the Loans to Local Authorities, items of the Schedules of the Kenya 1927 and 1930 Specific Loan Ordinances.

With the consent of the Treasury authority was given for the expenditure of an additional £71,000 to be met from advances pending the issue of a further loan, vide 80 on 16/10/30;

On the 16th of October 1930 the Hon. the Secretary of the Treasury in a letter to the Hon. the Colonial Secretary, stated that the Government had agreed to advance the sum of £71,000 to the Mombasa Municipal Council.

It was further stated that the Government would advance the sum of £71,000 to the Mombasa Municipal Council on the condition that the Council should not incur any other expenditure on the same account as the £71,000 advanced.

The Hon. the Colonial Secretary in a letter to the Hon. the Secretary of the Treasury, dated 16/10/30, stated that the Council had agreed to the conditions proposed by the Government.

In reply to the above letter, the Hon. the Secretary of the Treasury stated that the Government had agreed to advance the sum of £71,000 to the Mombasa Municipal Council on the condition that the Council should not incur any other expenditure on the same account as the £71,000 advanced.

On the 16th of October 1930 the Governor proposed to expend £10,000 of the amount in (b) and this with the consent of Treasury was approved vide (1) and (5) on 17379/A/31.

Later the Governor at (9) in 17379/A/31 reported that no expenditure was being incurred or was then contemplated (i.e. in 1931) on account of the approved loan service of the Colony which was not already covered by Issue Loans.

£10,000

It is now desired to expend/by way of advance against a future loan, of (a) within the next 12 months, and £5,754 of (b)

All of this expenditure seems essential, and it will be observed that the expenditure under (b) has already been separately approved ^{presumably} on grounds of urgency.

It will be necessary to consult the Crown Agents as regards meeting this expenditure from advances pending the issue of a loan, and Crown Agents will presumably reply as they propose to do in the case of the new £200,000 Loan for the Land Bank, that they will require these items first to be covered by a Specific Loan Ordinance. It will also be necessary to consult Treasury.

It will be observed that the Government wishes to pass the necessary Resolutions at the meeting of the Legislative Council now proceeding.

Send copy to Crown Agents, inviting their observations as to the possibility of meeting this expenditure from advances, and also send a copy Treasury semi-officially, indicating that it is necessary to approve this expenditure, but promising a further communication after the Crown Agents have been consulted on the question of finance.

J. H. P. P. P.

31st March, 1935.

The sum required is £15,754 by way of advances against a future loan. Kenya has still got £62,800 borrowing power left under its Ordinances & the C.A. can therefore issue stock

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TELEGRAM from the **Secretary of State** for the Colonies to the Governor of Kenya.

(Sent 4 p.m., 9th May, 1933.)

No. 116. Confidential.

My Confidential despatch 8th April. Treasury agrees in principle to suggestion to take powers to raise further loan of £300,000 for Land Bank and other objects such as advances to municipalities and you may now proceed to issue Ordinance accordingly. Despatch follows enclosing enclosure letter.

Mr. Priestman. 3/4

For Mr. Flood's sig.

Mr. ~~Ormsby~~ 3

Mr. ~~Smith~~ 3.4 of 8

Mr. Parkinson.

IMMEDIATE

DOWNING STREET,

Mr. Tomanson.

[Handwritten signature]

4 April, 1933.

Sir C. Bottomley.

Sir J. Spackburgh.

Dear Grieve,

Permt. U.S. of S.

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Secretary of State.

I enclose for your consideration

a despatch from the Governor of Kenya

in which he requests approval for the

expenditure of £15,734 now advanced

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H.A. GRIEVE, ESQ., O.B.E.

~~For Mr. ...~~

10 May 1933

of the 21st of February, 1931,

(No. 75 in 18105/80)

Rs. 3,000/0/0 subject to the conditions therein mentioned.

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The consent of the Treasury to expenditure on the items in paragraph 7 of the despatch, totalling £5,734 has also been intimated in Trickett's letter to

Parkinson

Parkinson of the 10th of

August, 1931, No.S.32902/03/7

(4 in 17279/A/31)

as they were included in the

£10,000 for advances to Local

Authorities mentioned in the

Governor's telegram enclosed

with Parkinson's letter to

Skevington of the 1st of August

1931 No.17279/31.

We are naturally averse from

agreeing to any avoidable increase

in the loan commitments of the

Colony but the expenditure now

proposed is essential and consistent

with the condition that it should

be directly and immediately

productive in that the Local

Authorities concerned will pay to

the Central Government sufficient

to cover annual interest and

sinking fund charges.

In the circumstances we assume

that you will have no objection

to

C. O.

Mr.

Mr.

Mr.

Mr. Parkinson

Mr. Tomlinson

Sir C. Holtomley

Sir J. Shuckburgh

Perm. U.S. of S.

Pres. U.S. of S.

Secretary of State

DRAFT

to this expenditure.

I shall be grateful if you will
treat this letter as very urgent in
view of the position as regards the
local Legislative Council.

Yours sincerely,

(Signed) J. E. W. FLOOR

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Mr. Priestman. 3/4

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Mr. ~~W~~ 3 at once

Mr. Parkinson.

Mr. Tomlinson.

Sir C. Bottomley.

Sir J. Shuckburgh.

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Secretary of State.

No. 91..

Confidential.

Your despatch of the 16th of March

(1) confidential No. 33. Expenditure of
£15,734 from advances pending issue
of loan approved subject to Treasury
consent which is being required

DRAFT code tel.

GOVERNOR

NAIROBI

BY AIR MAIL.

KENYA

No 33

CONFIDENTIAL.



March 1933

Sir,

I have the honour to address you in regard to the necessity of providing additional funds (a) to enable the Mombasa Town Planning Scheme to be completed and (b) to meet certain other Municipal requirements.

2. It will be remembered that the cost of the Mombasa Town Planning Scheme, which was approved in Mr. Amery's Confidential despatch of the 14th August, 1926, was estimated to amount to £180,000. It was pointed out in Kenya despatch No. 290 of the 30th May, 1928, that a sum of £129,000 only had been included in loan schedules and that the revised estimate of the cost was £270,000. This increased figure provided a 55 per cent margin of £48,975 on Items 1 to 4 in the statement enclosed with that despatch and a sum of £45,000 for road construction. Subsequent deletion of the sum of £48,975 and a reduction in the provision for road construction resulted in the final estimate of £200,000 communicated to you in Appendix II to Kenya Confidential despatch No. 91 of the 17th June, 1930.

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE
MAJOR SIR PHILIP CUNLIFFE-LISTER, P.C., G.B.E., M.C., M.P.,
SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES,
DOWNING STREET,
LONDON, S. W. 1.

and will be submitted to the Council for approval.

are :-

I	Mombasa	Makupa Market	£1,950
II	Mombasa	Rice Swamp Drainage	£1,000
III	Elmore	Hospital	£1,000
IV	Elmore	Slaughter House	£1,400
			<u>£5,350</u>

ITEMS I AND II.

In 1930 approval was given by the Governor in Council under section 86 of the Local Government Municipalities Ordinance to the raising of two loans for £1,950 and £1,000 by the Mombasa Municipal Board. Since, however, funds were not available for issue to the Board under the Local Government (Finance) Ordinance, 1929, from Colony loan, temporary arrangements were made whereby the sum of £2,950 was advanced to the Municipal Board, to be repaid upon funds becoming available in Colony loan and, in the case of the advance of £1,950, within a maximum of three years from the 1st January, 1931.

The figure of £1,950 is reduced to £1,725 by the fact that the difference (£224) was saved in the municipal expenditure on Makupa Market and has been allocated, with the approval of Executive Council, to expenditure on the Fish Market. This advance of £224 is thus to be fully repaid by the Municipal Board in 1935.

The advance of £1,950 was made from surplus balances in accordance with the terms of Legislative Council resolution of the 11th December, 1929, and the advance of £1,000 was paid from the expenditure vote for anti-malaria measures in the Estimates for 1930.

The Municipal Board has made annual provision

for repayment on the basis of the ten years loan period previously approved for these loans. It was also approved in Council, and it is highly desirable that the same should now be sanctioned by the Government. These loans under the new Government Loan Scheme will be repaid by long term loans to be interest free. In the event of respect of these loans would be to be provided to cover the cost of the Colony of Kenya and the amounts which they are to be made.

ITEMS III AND IV.

The sum of £1,600 is requested for the Government in respect of the taking over of the building of European Hospital by the Eldoret Municipal Council. Uasin Gishu District Council which was approved in despatch No. 455 of the 29th July 1951. It is becoming increasingly urgent that the Government should receive this sum and meet its obligations.

The sum of £1,400 is requested for the Government House. There are no proper facilities for the Eldoret and in the interests of the Government it is urgently desirable that a slight improvement be provided.

8. These items formed part of the proposals which was asked for in my Confidential telegram No. 291 of the 25th July, 1951, and approved in your Confidential telegram No. 242 of the 9th August, 1951. As you are aware, owing to the financial stringency and the tightening of the money market those proposals were not proceeded with, but, as market conditions are now more favourable, I trust that your previous approval of the expenditure

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of these sums by way of advances against the further year
will be reaffirmed.

9. It would be an advantage if I could subject
to receiving your sanction, have the necessary Resolutions
submitted at the next session of Legislative Council which
will take place on the 29th March next. I should there-
fore be grateful for your early consideration of this
application for the total sum of £15,784.

I have the honour to be,

Sir.

Yours faithfully,