

1937

Kenya

No. 38292

SUBJECT.

CO533/484

Mr. Peter Koinange

(Chief Koinange's Son)

Previous

38132/H5/36

Subsequent

1938.

1937

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C.I.
Nominal.

Dr. Leakey called and proceeded to tell me the latest stuff about Peter Koinange, as he is on his way to Kenya to start his research work, and won't be able to look after Koinange for the rest of his stay in England.

He says that Koinange is doing very well, generally liked and accepted in the College, plays games and gets on very well with everybody. He (Dr. Leakey) has fixed up with the Rhodes Trust to give him a grant to enable him to do the much desired third term, provided that his tutor puts in a satisfactory report on him during the coming term. I said that this seemed all right, and that if the tutor would send us a copy of what he says to the Rhodes Trust we could reinforce it with a letter from here.

Koinange's return passage to Kenya is all right. The Phelps-Stokes people have got the money for it.

Dr. Leakey told me that he had met Sir R. Brooke-Popham and spoken to him about Koinange, and he also understands that arrangements have been made to look after Koinange during the forthcoming Easter vacation, during which he will stay with various people, including Lord Lothian, I think.

With regard to Sir R. Brooke-Popham's letter to Sir J. Maffey, which I attach, there is, of course, no harm in Sir Robert meeting and talking to Koinange if they happened to meet, but it would be quite absurd to expect Sir Robert to go down to Cambridge in order to call upon him, and it would be equally absurd for us to send for young Koinange to come up to London just in order to shake hands with

the

the Governor - because nothing more than that is in Leakey's mind. Draft herewith.

J. L. O. Hood

21.1.1937

I agree. There seems to be some tendency to "split" Koinange.

WCS 21.1.37

J.M. 21/1

2 To Sir R. Brooke-Poplan 5/0 - (Recd) - 27.1.37

3 C.W. Guilleband - Compliment Slip - 26.1.37 (?)
This, at request of Dr Leakey, copy of letter sent to Lord Lothian on 25.1.37 asking whether it would be possible for arrangements to be made to enable Koinange to remain at St. John's, Cambridge, for the May term 1937.

? Now write to the Rhodes Trust.
WCS Draft herewith.

WCS we will (1/2/37)

4 Rhodes Trust - 3 FEB 1937

5 To C.W. Guilleband (info. 4) 1/2c - 3 FEB 1937

States conditions on which it is proposed to offer Mr. P. Koinange the post of Education Officer, Grade III

In No 37 on 30/12/45736 we were told that in the first instance it was proposed to offer Mr Koinange a post at the Jesus School as a member of the school staff, & that it might be assumed that the terms of service, which were then under consid, would be acceptable. It remains to be seen whether the terms now offered will appeal to Mr Koinange. I doubt it.

All our cases regarding Koinange has been through Dr Leakey or Mr Guilleband, but as the former has now left for Kenya I offer ^{write} to Mr Koinange Direct x [offer him the post of Education Officer Grade III on the terms proposed by the O.A.S.]

for C) search inform him (in in para 5).

WCS

Don't know whether it will come off or not yet.

WCS we will 17/2/37
The O.A.S. has not yet been told that there is a possibility of Koinange's remaining at Cambridge for the May term.

On G. Tomlinson

You will like to see. Kenya has been changed into doing him fairly well.

I think we had better get Mr Gulliband to tell him (will like to see what is toward)

S.P.O. 9/27
13.2.

X

(we can then ask if tell Kenya the time seems very suitable.)

S.P.O. absence
13.2.37

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to Gulliband.

13.2.37

8. CHIEF KOINANGE.....10.2.37.
Considers that his son would be interested to attend the Coronation and would be glad to hear that he has visited the Colonial Office during his stay in England.

? Reply through the Mr Kenya that the Capt. is aware that Peter K. is in residence at St John's College, Cambridge, & that he has been interested to read the very favourable reports made by Peter's Tutor. Say that as regards the Coronation, a certain number of deals to view the procession are being set aside for allocation on payment to visitors from the Colonial Empire and that Peter could be considered for one of these if he applies. Add that it is understood that this is ~~has already been explained to Peter by Mr Kenyan.~~

Write to Peter Kenyan accordingly.

Mr E. Grigg's Private Secretary telephoned this afternoon to verify that Peter Koinange is at St John's College, Cambridge because Mr E. Grigg had received a letter from Chief Koinange mentioning that Peter is at 'John's Coll.' C.A.G. 26/2

advised Brander.

Have you had an application from Peter Koinange for a seat at the Coronation?

J.P. Parnin
27/2

Mr. Parnin.

no. absence
1.2.37

then to O.A.G. as in 5/2.

J.P. Parnin
3/3

9 To Kenya - 221 (10/2.37) - 12 MAR 1937

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Action at X
to await reply to Y
Mr Parnin
We must give
Mr Parnin a
month to reply?
C.A.G. 7/2. 7/2 9/2 7/3

Submits Draft reply to
Mr Guillebaud, and a
note to Mr Logan, for comment.

C. W. Guillebaud
19.3.37

I find it difficult to avoid a somewhat
gloomy view of what is likely to
happen in the future. There are
here a young African who has
been away from Kenya for 9
years. He is a graduate of Columbia
University & will have done a year's
course at Cambridge. He is ~~fully~~
politically minded (V. 3243/33) &
at present is fired by an ambition
to devote his abilities to the
emancipation of his fellow Africans
in Kenya. His own view of his mission
in life is clearly very different from
that of the Govt. of Kenya. He
has an independent outlook &
considerable force of character. It
seems very doubtful whether he
will ever be likely to settle down
to the life of a junior officer in
the Education Dept. It is not
unlikely that he has visions of
himself as a future African D.L.C.,

I think he is much
less so now. The article
was drawn up & sent to
him & he was not written for
him.

* I don't think this is the
right word. He wanted us to

and is no doubt aware that it has often been
said that it has been necessary to appoint
Europeans to represent the natives in Council
because there was no suitable educated
African available for the purpose. He will
find that these expectations will be viewed
with a considerable measure of hostility in
Kenya.

There is not in Kenya, as there is
in U.A., a local educated African "Socialist"
with whom he could find a place. He will be an
"odd man out" with no social background.

I cannot help thinking that unless
something can be done to provide him
with an outlet for his enthusiasms,
in a way which he can consider to be more
in consonance with his education, his
experience, & his abilities & ideals, he is
more than likely to degenerate into a
disgruntled politician who will be a
nuisance rather than a help to the Govt.
of Kenya. From all that we have been
told about him, this would be a great pity.

In sending out a copy of No 10, I
think it is wisest to comment somewhat
on the lines of his article; suggest that
Mr Wade should take advantage of the presence
of D. Leary to show him Mr Guillebaud's
letter & to discuss the whole situation with
him with a view to devising some means
of avoiding the dangers which appear to exist

J. J. Guillebaud
20/3

I have added a bit to the draft. It may not be as bad as all that & I think he is sensible; but he will need handling and a careful but official or settled way to quiet him.

J.E.W. 20.31

21.7.37
22.3.37

I feel little doubt that Kenya want to buy him out with a view to his getting - in due course - a post among his own people. Their choice of post was a bit odd and not very likely compared to Peter Koinange, but I do not know what other they could have chosen.

TJB to board.

22.3.

11 To B.W. Guillebaud (10 and) - 31/3/37

12 To H.M. Logan (w copy 4110) - 31/3/37

5. H.M. LOGAN (5%)

22.4.37

Acts (12) and state that he has passed the papers on to Wade

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13.5.37

W.H. at once 14/5/37

14. C.W. HOBLEY (S/O TO MR. FLOOD).....23.6.37.

Details conversation he has had with Koinange and states that he has told Koinange to phone the Colonial Office and arrange an interview.

R 80 - 14

Mr. Hobley rang me up on the telephone and said very much what is in this letter. He is very pleased indeed with Peter Koinange and thinks that he may become a real asset to his people in particular and Kenya in general. Mr. Hobley thinks that he has not been at all spoilt by his wanderings, though curiously enough he told Mr. Hobley that when he went back he would require some time to polish up his mother tongue (Kikuyu) as he has forgotten a good deal of it in the States.

As regards money, Dr. Leakey told me that the Phelps-Stokes people have got the money available to provide his return passage, so that is all right, but if he is to go round England he will certainly want some more, and he ought to be provided with the material to pay back the loan to Mr. Guillebaud. Now as Mr. Hobley says, it would be rather awkward if the Provincial Commissioner proceeded to order the old man to send him some money, as that might lead to friction, so I think that the best thing we can do is to make him a small advance, say, not exceeding £25 or so, on the understanding that he will repay it to the Government of Kenya, either by instalments out of his salary, or by some other

means on his return. I am accordingly writing
to Sir A. Wade.

J.E.G. Flood

25.6.1937

Sir F. Stockdale

Please see No 14. Koinange is the son of the
biggest Kikuyu & has been ten years away in the U.S.A
& here. Is there any use in trying to arrange agricultural
visits for him? He is very intelligent speaks English perfectly
& we are anxious to do what we can to help

J.E.G. Flood

25.6.

Mr Flood

It would be possible for Mr Koinange
to go to Cambridge School of Agriculture, Rothamsted
etc.

The best place would probably be the farm
of the School of Agriculture at Cambridge. Rothamsted
would be rather over his head, but we could
arrange for him to be taken over the farm
than a he would probably appreciate it, as
he could say that he had been to the largest
Expt. Station in this country & the school in
the Empire.

Travelling could be limited to these places, as
funds are limited & I would be prepared
to write to both if you wish. Both
Prof. England of Cambridge & Sir J. Russell
of Rothamsted will be in the office on
June 29th, & I can mention these proposed
visits to them if you wish. J.E.G. Flood

Sir F. Stockdale

If you will do so I shall be very grateful. I haven't
heard from Koinange yet.

J.E.G. Flood

24.6.

Mr. Koinange called. He is staying, as
Mr. Hooley says, at the Students' Movement House,
32, Russell Square, but the trouble is that his
funds are completely exhausted. He said he
had eighteen pence between him and rain, or worse,
if you please, he is supposed to make a tour of
England, seeing what sights are good for him. He
told me he has had invitations to go and stay with
various people, including Miss Marjorie Fernan
and Mr. Hooley, but for lack of the necessary
railway fare he can't avail himself of these kind
invitations.

As regards his keep in the hostel - is
all right till, at any rate, the middle of July,
as he is staying with a friend, but he has to
contribute his share to the feeding.

As regards his return to Kenya, that is
all right, the passage money is available and held
for him and his father has sent him instructions to
return by the boat of the 26th of August. He has
written to his father for some funds, but nothing
has yet been forthcoming and in view of the fact that
he is a possible Government official I think we are
justified in coming to the rescue. Drafts herewith.

J.E.G. Flood

28.6.1937

15.	To C.W. Hooley (1/2) 1/2	
16.	• Sir A. Wade (1/2) 1/2	25.6.37
		25.6.37
17	To Koinange	}
18	• C.A.	
19	• Wade	
		28.6.37

Mr Hood

I mentioned this matter to both Prof Engledow & Sir J. Russell today, and they would be pleased to arrange for Mr Koinange to be received at Cambridge - Rothamsted respectively and also to send the Farm of the School of Agriculture and the Rothamsted Experimental Station.

They would arrange for someone to be deputed to show Mr Koinange everything that could be seen in one day and they both offered to provide lunch for Mr Koinange if he was not a fastid - in regard to food.

They would like to be advised as to when these proposed visits could be paid and the approximate time of arrival.

Prof Engledow said that Mr Harding was not, as far as he knew, at present in Cambridge or otherwise he would have asked him to join the party.

J. A. Stockdale
29/6

20-KOINANGE.....28.6.37.
Accepts conditions under which C.A. have been authorised to advance him £10.

21 to Kenya - 513 - (49/17+20) — 30/6/37

Sir Frank Stockdale.

Thank you very much for having made the necessary arrangements. Would you please look at the letter which I propose to send to Koinange and insert any directions that you think proper. I suppose it is all right to tell him to write direct to Professor Engledow and Sir J. Russell and perhaps you would not mind telling them that we have told him to approach them direct.

J. A. Stockdale

2.7.37.

I agree. I have written s/o to Sir J. Russell &

Prof Engledow.

J. A. Stockdale
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24. To P. Koinange. s/o — 37.37.

Recive to Mr Hood
side of craft. etc.

R.29/6/37

he can now I think "wait & see" what happens. He has money enough to pay small travelling expenses so he can visit Oxford (Miss Perham has invited him) and other places near London. I had had a sort of notion that it would do him good to see some place of a manufacturing kind - he has been to Birmingham as a guest of C. G. Kings - but on the whole I think not. Kenya is not likely to be industrialized. Wait

J. A. Stockdale

27.

Called. he now thinks that his qualifications do not fit him for a post of Inspector of Schools. He is qualified rather for University Lecturing. So it has been suggested to him that he should do 9 months at the Teachers' Training College & get certificated there. He would like to get a further Rhodes grant.

I told him that I rather thought Kenya meant to use him as a second best & that the title of Inspector need not be accepted too strictly. I have asked him to write & say clearly what he does want, & he will do so. He has not had any more money from Kenya & when we get his letter we shall have to tell Kenya what he is at. His father may want him back (He says he thinks not).

What do you think of his idea of study?

S. S. O. K. 237.

A 75-ppr he means by this, if he means anything, a post in the University College of Uganda which is likely to emerge from the results of the recent Wharfedale Commission. For such work a course of training in the ordinary English training institute would be of little or no value.

If he decides to accept a post in the Kenya Sch. Dept. he might at some time, but not necessarily before he takes up his duties in the Dept., to take the year's course in the Colonial Department of the London University's Institute of Education.

I note throughout the correspondence a recurring suggestion that he should go back to Kenya and have a look round before deciding whether to accept the Kenya offer of a job in the Sch. Dept. This seems to me most desirable - and I would add

that there is much to be gained, if he decides to try educational work, by his having a year or even more of experience of such work before he takes the training course. I have suggested above. There is evidence for supposing that those who come to the course with the previous experience of hospital education get most out of it. Moreover he would know at the end of a year's experience whether the work is properly suited to him.

I cannot see how - prior to his return to Kenya and arriving at some decision regarding his future - any course of study or training can profitably be arranged for him at home - and there is great risk of losing a money being sent if he is just at present inclined to embark on any particular course.

Arthur Night
24-7

Wait till he writes.

S. S. O. K. 247
26 June

25 To P. Koinage — 5.0 — 29.7.37

Called. he now thinks that his qualifications do not fit him for a post of Inspector of Schools. He is qualified rather for University Lecturing. So it has been suggested to him that he should do 9 months at the Teachers' Training College & get certificated there. He would try to get a fuller Rhodes grant.

I told him that I rather thought Kenya meant to use him as a trained hist & that the title of Inspector need not be accepted too strictly. I have asked him to write & say clearly what he does want, & he will do so. He has not had any more money from Kenya & when we get his letter we shall have to tell Kenya what he is at. His father may want him back (He says he thinks not.)

What do you think of his idea of study?

S.S.G. Hunt
237

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If he decides to accept a post in the Kenya Sch. Dept. he ought at once to leave, but not necessarily before he takes up his duties in the Dept., to take the year's course in the Colonial department of the London University's Institute of Education.

I note throughout the correspondence a recurring suggestion that he should go back to Kenya and have a look round before deciding whether to accept the Kenya offer of a post in the Sch. Dept. This seems to me most desirable - and I would add

that there is much to be gained, if he decides to try educational work, by his having a year or even more of experience of such work before he takes the training course I have suggested above. There is evidence for supposing that those who come to the course with previous experience of tropical education get most out of it. Moreover he would know at the end of a year's experience whether the work is practically opposed to him.

I cannot see how - prior to his return to Kenya and arriving at some decision regarding his future - any course of study or training can profitably be arranged for him at home - and there is good risk of losing a money-earning post if he is just at present unable to embark on any particular course.

At the Night
24-7

Wait till he writes.

S.S.G. Hunt
24 June

25 To P. Koinage — S.O — 29.7.37

No: he means it as a fact

"I can't do University Lectures but I can't inspect schools properly". He has no idea of Madras.

It shows that I said so

26. KOINANGE.....25.7.37.
 Tra., with comments, copy of letter which he has sent to the Rhodes Trust and hopes that should the Colonial Office be consulted they will support his application.

M Mayhew
 I wrote to Koinange as per copy attached but he has put in his application already to the Rhodes Trust.

I feel inclined to write to the Trust and say that the S. of S. is disposed to think he had better go to Kenya & work for a bit before considering such a course of instruction, but, as the Institute seems prepared to take him the S. of S. would welcome any assistance the Trust can render ^{further} on the understanding that Kenya cannot help.

J. L. W. Flood
 30/7

you - I would reply in these lines - with perhaps a little stronger support than you would suggest.

It now appears that he has definitely made up his mind to accept the Kenya offer. This removes one of my arguments against his taking the course at once.

Though I think it at the same time more useful perhaps to have had ^{some} experience it might be remembered that it is also at present the same approval for a selection procedure has been had in such experience.

Arthur Mayhew
 31-7

2611 G. W. Guillebaud. (20) 10/ Aug 37

97 To C Guillebaud. (note 28). 30
 X To Rhodes Trust. (Enc to 26A) 30
 29 To P Koinange. -> 30
 } 3.8.37.

30. "THE RHODES TRUST".....4.8.37.
 Ackd (28) which is being placed before Lord Lothian. 10

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31. To Koinange (S/O).....9.8.37.

32. To Kenya - 639 - Congo - 11/8/37

33. KOINANGE.....7.8.37.
 States that the Rhodes Trust is willing to grant 50% of sum required if Colonial Office will put up remaining 50%. Hopes C.O. will consider the proposition favourably.

M Mayhew

you may like to see the latest development.

The Rhodes Trust is being very generous.

J. L. W. Flood
 12.8.

Thanks - you.

Arthur Mayhew
 12.8.

Then wait. 33 is dealt with by 31.

J. L. W. Flood

34. DEPUTY GOV. KENYA.....TEP. No. 168.....26.8.37.
 (32 ansd.) Grant of half of sum required not exceeding £150 approved.

Now inform Koinange & the Rhodes Trust &

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M Guillebaud.

35 To Rhodes Trust
 36 .. Koinange
 37 .. G. W. Guillebaud
 } 26.8.37.

39. THE RHODES TRUST 27.8.37.
Acks. (35) which will be place before the
Secretary on his return.

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? Put by
[Signature]
Room 207

30.8.37.

[Signature]
abonue 2/9/37

[Handwritten mark]

39. Rhodes Trust 15 9 37.
States that the Trust has already funded
100 to Prof. Koinange towards the course of
Peter Koinange.

It is somewhat surprising that
Mr. Koinange has not acknowledged receipt or
sent anything whatever in reply to our letter
of the 26th of August. We have already
expressed the Secretary of State's indebtedness
to the Rhodes Trustees in No. 35, but we have
not asked them to make any payment.
In the case of the grant payable to Koinange at
present we are expecting for payment to be
made to one of the College officials and I
think we should adopt a similar course if
Professor Koinange will arrange to dole out the
money to him as he is doing with the Rhodes
Trust.

draft herewith.

4. To blanks *25/10*
4. To Miller (24 marks) *same*

24 SEP 1937

12. To Kenya 8/3. 3rd Revised. 25.9.37

43. DIR., UNIVERSITY OF LONDON INST. OF EDUCATION.... 28.9.37
Suggests that the £150 be paid direct to the Inst. of
Education, to be paid out to Mr. Koinange in appropriate
instalments.

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The cost of the course was estimated
at £225. The Rhodes Trust have
contributed £100, & (in No 32) Kenya
was invited to contribute £120 (or
£150 to allow for contingencies).
In No 34 they agreed to contribute
half the sum required, not exceeding £150,
but the Dictator is proceeding on
the assumption that ^{they will} ~~the Rhodes Trust~~ ^(£100 + Kenya £150)
get the whole £250 / to expense on
behalf of Koinange; wh. is not quite
what Kenya has agreed to, & will
narrow down the margin for
contingencies.

? Point this out, & suggest
that their scheme shd. be drawn
up on the basis of £225 being
available (& £25 being kept in
hand for contingencies).

[Signature]
1/10

Yes: I say that if this is acceptable the money will
be paid quarterly by the C.A. for the Colonies.
And that weekly.

J.E.G. Hunt
2-10
abonue

11.10.37

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145 To Prof. Clarke - 3pm. - 14/10/37

46. To Kenya - 620 - 18.10.37

Contribution not exceeding £150 will be included in 1938 Estimate and would appreciate payments from Kenya funds being held over until the new year. Refers to £10 advanced to Koinange in case S. of S. desires to use instructions for its recovery.

If Kenya is to make no payment until next year the last paragraph of No 44 will have to be corrected - since it was stated that the Kenya grant was to be paid in quarterly instalments. Professor Clarke presumably will not mind much, as No 39 states that the £100 from the Rhodes Trust is already in his hands, and had ought to keep Mr Peter Koinange going till the new year.

There has been no mention of the £10 advanced in June in the agreement copy. Perhaps Mr Peter Koinange might be reminded of it or asked if he can pay it back now. If he can't Kenya might be asked to consider it as part of the £25 which No 44 is being kept in reserve for from Koinange, and to tell him that he will not be expected to repay it. Or this letter might be done at once without asking for repayment first. Kenya ought to be quite pleased as this will bring their total contribution up to only £135 - £15 short of the maximum they named.

Chakrabarti 16/10/37

257. after going to the Govt.

J. P. B. 2/11

47 To Professor Clark. - 10/11/37

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48. To Kenya 966 - 16 Nov 1937. 8 NOV 1937

49. PROFESSOR CLARKE..... 11.11.37.
(47 ansd.) States that Koinange is being paid a weekly sum which will carry him through until end of the year and indicates how they would like the grant from Kenya paid over.

? Copy of No 49 to Kenya LF Ref to 48 Cons.
No 49 requires no immediate reply, so? may wait
Will Kenya agree to payments as suggested
has answered No 48 & if proposed.
Clarke White. 12/11

Reply that the C.A. are being instructed to pay the sum of £125 in two instalments at the beginning of Jan. & the beginning of April respectively. & consistent C.A. accordingly & copy cons to Govt. Y.

J. P. B. 1/11/37

50 To Mr. ... 19/11/37

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Prof. Clarke (49 ansd) -
DESTROYED UNDER STATUTE
To Kenya 106 (49, 50 & 51) - A/1. 22 NOV 1937

53. Dr. Mumford (L.O.) 12/KR
(Tro. comm. regarding Mr. Koinange's
allowance, & ~~some~~ suggests that
be paid. See memo)
54 Dr. Mumford (20) — 24.11.37

At Mumford's request I agreed to see Koinange and the latter called here the other day. I had a long and very interesting talk with him, in the course of which he expressed himself perfectly satisfied with the present arrangement and told me how he enjoyed the work at the Institute and hoped to do well in the examination. I was agreeably surprised at seeing how little Mr. Koinange seemed to have been affected by his stay in the United States and by personal contact with so many "uplifters" and I think we can expect some good work from him when once he gets back to his country in Kenya. He told me he had been away from there so long that he had almost lost touch with his people and he had heard that many changes had taken place since he had been there.

Hanniskeln
6.12.37

Major Vischer.

This is all very satisfactory and unless you have already done so, you may wish to write to Dr. Mumford on the lines of the draft herewith.

J.J. Parani
9/12

Dear P. B. G.

J.J. Parani
9/12

I have already written to Dr. Mumford in a letter dealing with various matters and filed elsewhere.

Hanniskeln

6.12

COLONIAL DEPARTMENT
UNIVERSITY OF LONDON INSTITUTE OF EDUCATION
SOUTHAMPTON ROW,
LONDON, W. C. 1.

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24th November, 1937.

5 p.m.
Tuesday

RE
HOL. 1847.
O. O. P. L. A. S.

Not needed

My dear Major Vischer,

Thank you for your letter of the 22nd of November. I enclose a copy of a letter which I have forwarded to Mr. Koinange. As you see we have cleared up the financial arrangements and I think everything should now work smoothly. However, I do feel you ought to see him and have a talk with him, particularly as we have received a series of adverse reports on his teaching practice and the tutors here seem of the opinion that it is very unlikely that Mr. Koinange will be able to pass his examination at the end of the year. We are placed in an embarrassing position owing to the fact that the additional grant from the Rhodes Trust is dependent upon a satisfactory report on his academic progress.

I have spoken to him and have arranged for a special series of visits from different tutors and hope that they will see considerable improvement and make it possible for us to write a favourable report to the Rhodes Trust. Meanwhile a frank discussion of his difficulties with you might be helpful. I cannot say how anxious I am that Mr. Koinange should continue, but I am equally anxious that as he is the first East African taking the course he should be successful in his examination.

Yours very sincerely,

W. B. Mumford

Major Hanns Vischer, C.M.G.,
2, Richmond Terrace,
S.W. 1.

LKC

1 encl.

24th November, 1937.

Dear Mr. Keimango,

I enclose a further letter which I have received from Major Vischer at the Colonial Office. I quite understand your whole position now and I think we have cleared up all outstanding matters. However I think this will be a good opportunity for you to have a talk with Major Vischer about your work in general.

Yours sincerely,

(Signed) W. B. LUMFORD.

F.M. Keimango, Esq.,
Student Movement House,
33, Russell Square,
W.C.

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COLONIAL DEPARTMENT
UNIVERSITY OF LONDON INSTITUTE OF EDUCATION
SOUTHAMPTON ROW,
LONDON, W.C.1.

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12th November, 1947.

Dear Major Fischer,

As I reported to you over the telephone, I am sending you herewith some of the correspondence between ourselves, Rhodes Trust, Kenya Government and Mr. Koinange. We are finding ourselves in an embarrassing position with regard to looking after his affairs, and as Professor Clarke has had a break-down, we wondered whether you would be so good as to see the man and have a talk with him.

Briefly the position is this:- The Rhodes Trust has made a provisional grant of £100 and the Kenya Government has agreed also to contribute £125 to enable Mr. Koinange to take the Colonial Course at the Institute here. After subtracting his fees (approximately £60) this left £165 for Mr. Koinange's maintenance during the 3 months which he will be studying here. It was arranged therefore that Mr. Koinange should draw £4 per week to cover his board and lodging etc.

Mr. Koinange maintained that this was not enough, as he had no clothes and required extra money for incidental expenses. He wrote ~~to us~~ pointing out that the Rhodes Trust had promised him £150 and urging them to grant him more money. Their Committee is considering granting him an additional £50 to make up their total contribution to £150, but if they agree to make this additional grant, it is subject to a report from us that his work and behaviour justifies their investigation.

The Kenya Government had promised to give him £150, but it cut that down to £125, keeping the balance in reserve. But I presume, however, this £25 could be pulled on if necessary.

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As soon as we heard of the possibility of getting more money, I told Mr. Koinange that if he would give me some kind of a statement of his needs, I could authorize our accountant, who handles him his money from the Rhodes Trust ~~and~~ the Colonial Office to let him have an additional £10 a term as and when required.

Mr. Koinange has since come to me complaining of these restrictions. I think he feels he should be able to draw his money as and when he likes, whereas the Institute feels that we are in a position of trustees to him and must only let him have so much money at a time to make sure that he does not spend it all at once and ends up in the Summer Term with no funds at all.

I have had many talks with Mr. Koinange, but recently he wrote me the letter dated the 8th November and I replied as per my letter of 11th November also attached.

I feel that it would be better if he went and had a talk with someone older and in a position to advise him in a fatherly capacity. As Professor Clarke is unable to see him, would you get him to explain his troubles and advise both him and ourselves what to do. Sorry to trouble you.

Yours very sincerely,

W. S. Mumford

Major Vischer,

11th November, 1937.

Dear Mr. Koinange,

Thank you for your letter of the 8th of November. I think the best thing for you to do would be to have a talk with Professor Clarke, and I am sending all the correspondence to him.

The suggestion which I put forward was that you should continue to draw £4 a week from the office downstairs for your maintenance, and that you should draw up a letter from time to time listing your additional needs such as:- books, clothing, doctor's bills, etc., for which you should draw further cheques, bearing in mind that there was a limited total of about £30 available for such expenses.

I see from your letter that, far from finding a discussion of such supplementary needs helpful, you would feel that they were irksome. Subject to Professor Clarke's agreement, I would suggest that without having to draw up any statement of the kind of things for which you need the money you should draw £10. each term to meet the incidental expenses to which you refer.

I am distressed that you seem to feel that in the suggestion we are interfering with your private life and causing you discomfort. I would assure you that our only aim has been to assist you in handling the money available for you and to discharge the responsibility to the Colonial Office and the Rhodes Trust by seeing that all the money is not spent at the beginning of the year, leaving you at the end with no funds. I think, however, you would feel happier if you had a talk with Professor Clarke himself

Yours sincerely,

M. Koinange, Esq.,.

(Signed) W. B. STURD.

TELEPHONE NO.
MUSEUM 0757.

THE STUDENT MOVEMENT HOUSE.
32 RUSSELL SQUARE.
LONDON, W.C.1

8th November, 1937.

Dr. Mumford.
Institute of Education.
Southampton Row. W.C.1

Dear Dr. Mumford,

When the Colonial Office and the Rhodes Trust undertook to make a grant toward the cost of my studies at the Institute of Education it was their object to relieve me of financial worry so that I might be able to concentrate on my studies and to seek assistance from teachers chiefly on educational matters. Unfortunately the arrangement which you insist that I receive this help is not conducive to this end.

This is wrong

Firstly, as to the weekly allowance, the accountant is the only person who negotiates this weekly allowance. Should she be prevented from doing so by absence or any other unforeseen circumstances, I should be embarrassed by having nothing to fall back on, whereas, if the payment were made monthly I should be able to cope with any emergency. This also would be the case, if for any reason I should not be able to call for the money.

Secondly, there are certain incidental expenses for such things as books, clothing, doctors bills etc, which I can more conveniently manage without embarrassment either to yourself or to me, if I have a slightly broader margin than is allowed to me by the weekly payment. These are expenses which do not easily lend themselves to detail and with which I may be trusted to deal without abusing the generosity of those who have so kindly helped me.

I should be grateful if you will give your kind consideration to this matter, and hope to hear from you soon.

Yours sincerely,

M. B. K. K. K.

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TELEPHONE:
HOLBORN 9144/5

INSTITUTE OF EDUCATION,

SOUTHAMPTON ROW,

LONDON, W.C.1

11th November, 1938

Your ref. 38292/37



Sir,

The arrangement you propose for the payment of the grant from the Kenya Government on behalf of Mr Koinange is quite acceptable. At present he is being paid a weekly sum out of the grant from the Rhodes Trust and this will be sufficient to carry him through until the end of this year.

When the grant from Kenya is received I shall be obliged if arrangements can be made for it to be sent to the Institute in two instalments, the first as soon as possible in January and the second at the beginning of April. The drafts should be made out to "The Accountant, Institute of Education".

I am, Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

J. Clarke

Director

The Under Secretary of State,
Colonial Office,
Whitehall, S.W.1.

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Copy to Kenya (52)

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Mr. Paskin. 2/11/37. *f.*

Mr.

Mr.

Sir H. Moore.

Sir G. Tomlinson.

Sir C. Bottomley.

Sir J. Shuckburgh.

Permt. U.S. of S.

Parly. U.S. of S.

Secretary of State.

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8 November, 1937.

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KENYA.

NO. 966.

Governor.

Sir,

I have etc. to acknowledge

the receipt of your despatch No.620 of the 18th of October in regard to the arrangements for Mr.Peter Koinange's course at the London Institute of Education, and to inform you that the Institute has been asked whether it would be convenient if the contributions from Kenya funds towards the expenses of this course could be held over until the New Year.

2. As regards the advance of £10 which was made to Mr.Koinange in June last, I suggest that the

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question of recovering this sum
from him should be deferred until
his return to Kenya.

I have, etc.

(Signed) W. OHMSBY GORE.

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GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
NAIROBI,
KENYA.

18 October, 1937.

Sir,

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With reference to your despatch No. 813 of the 25th of September on the subject of a grant to cover the expenses at the London Institute of Education of Mr. Peter Koinange, I have the honour to inform you that the contribution of this Government of a sum not exceeding £150 will be included in the 1938 Estimates on the understanding that the other half of the expenses will be met by the Rhodes Trustees. As the sum of £100 has already been paid by the Rhodes Trustees it would be greatly appreciated if any payment from Kenya Funds could be held over until the new year.

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I take this opportunity to refer to the advance of £10 made to Mr. Koinange as mentioned in your despatch No. 813 of the 30th of June last, in case you desire to issue any instructions for the recovery of this sum from him to be made.

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I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient, humble servant,

R. B. Crook-Rolph

AIR CHIEF CLERK,

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

THE HON. SECRETARY
W. STUBBS TAYLOR, F.C.S., M.P.,
SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES,
DOWNING STREET, LONDON S.W.

KENYA.
No. 620



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KENYA.

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I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient, humble servant,

R. Brooke-Polham

AIR CHIEF MARSHAL,

GOVERNOR.

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE
W. CRISBY-GORE, P.C., M.P.,
SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES,
DOWLING STREET, LONDON S.W.

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- Sir H. Moore.
- Sir G. Tomlinson.
- Sir C. Bottomley.
- Sir J. Shuckburgh
- Permt. U.S. of S.
- Parly. U.S. of S.
- Secretary of State.



11. October, 1937

DRAFT.

Prof. F. Clarke (43)

Sir,

I am etc. to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 28th of September and to state that he is most grateful for the suggestions which you have been good enough to make regarding the administration of the fund made available for the completion of Mr Peter Koinange's course at the Institute of Education

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2 Mr Ramsey fore agrees that it would be best if the money were paid direct to the Institute, to be paid out to Mr Koinange from the

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- Sir C. Bottomley.
- Sir J. Shackburgh.
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Accountant's Office in
Appropriate instalments.

It is necessary to point out
however that the Govt of
Kenya has agreed to
Contribute, not £150, but
half of the total required, up
to a maximum of £150. It
is therefore suggested that the
Scheme should be drawn up on
the basis of £225 (£100 from
the Rhodes Trust and £125
from the Govt of Kenya) being
available. This will leave
a margin of £25 which it
may be possible to fall back
upon should any future
happening necessitate its
use.

3. If this arrangement is
acceptable to the Institute
the Crown Agents for the
Colonies will be asked to
remit the sum of £225
in quarterly instalments
direct to the Institute of
Education.

"I am etc.

(Sgd). J. E. W. Flood.

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SOUTHAMPTON ROW,
LONDON, W.C.1

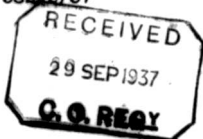
28th September, 1937



TELEPHONE
HOLBORN 9144/5

Your Reference: 38292/37

FC/NMM.



Sir,

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In reply to the enquiry of the Secretary of State dated 24th September, asking whether the Institute would be prepared to administer the sum of £150 contributed by the Government of Kenya to enable Mr. Peter Koinange to complete his course here, I am glad to say that we can make satisfactory arrangements for this to be done. I would suggest that the money be paid direct to the Institute of Education, to be paid out to Mr. Koinange from the Accountant's office in appropriate instalments.

I may add that the Accountant is already working out a scheme for dealing with the £250 now available on Mr. Koinange's account.

I am, Sir,

Your Obedient Servant,

F. Clarke
Director

The Under Secretary of State,
Colonial Office,
London, S.W. 1.

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DOWNING STREET,

25. September, 1937.

Sir H. Meors.

Sir G. Tomlinson.

Sir C. Bottomley.

Sir J. Sheekburgh.

Parlt. U.S. of S.

Parly. U.S. of S.

Secretary of State.

Sir,

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KENYA

NO. 813.

GOVERNOR

I have etc. to acknowledge the receipt of your telegram No. 168 of the 26th of August reporting that the Government of Kenya had approved the grant of a sum not exceeding £150 to cover ^{Mr/} Peter Koinange's expenses at the London Institute of Education. A grant of £100 has already been given to him by the Rhodes Trustees and payment will be supervised by ~~the~~ the authorities at the Institute. I am endeavouring to arrange for a similar procedure to be adopted in connection with the Kenya Government's payments.

FURTHER ACTION.

2. I am given to understand that the sum now available should prove quite sufficient to enable Mr Koinange to complete

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Mr.

Sir H. Moore.

Sir G. Tomlinson.

Sir C. Bottomley.

Sir J. Shackburgh.

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Parly. U.S. of S.

Secretary of State.

DOWNING STREET.

24 September, 1937.

Dear Mr. Millar,

Thank you very much for your letter of the 15th of September ~~informing me~~ that the Rhodes Trust have ~~already~~ given Peter Koinange £100 towards his course at the London Institute of Education. The Secretary of State has already expressed his appreciation of the generosity of the Trustees in the letter of the 26th of August, but I should like to add my own contribution to the acknowledgment of this very generous action. We are endeavouring to arrange with Professor Clarke to supervise the payment of the Kenya Government's grant ~~also~~.

Yours sincerely

(Signed) J. E. W. FLOOD

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T. MILLAR, ESQ.,
The Rhodes Trust,
Seymour House,
Waterloo Place, S.W.1.

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- Sir H. Moore.
- Sir G. Tomlinson.
- Sir C. Bottomley.
- Sir J. Shuckburgh.
- Parlm. U.S. of S.
- Parly. U.S. of S.
- Secretary of State.

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Ans. (43)



DOWNING STREET.

24 September, 1937.

Sir,

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DRAFT.


PROFESSOR F. CLARKE,
 Director of Education,
 The London Institute of
 Education.

I am etc. to state that he understands from the Rhodes Trustees that you have undertaken to ^{arrange for the} supervision of the payment to Mr. Peter Koinange of the grant of £100 which has been made to him by the Trustees towards the expenses of his course at the London Institute of Education.

The Government of Kenya has also agreed to contribute a sum up to £150 to enable Mr. Koinange to complete the course and I am to enquire whether you would be prepared to arrange for the issue of that grant also as required. If so, arrangements can

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can be made for the payment of the
Government grant by instalments to
you or to whoever is actually supervising
the payments. *as may be most convenient.*



(Signed) J. E. W. FLOOD

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TO BE ADDRESSED TO
THE SECRETARY.
TELEGRAMS, "AUSURY, LONDON"
TELEPHONE, WHITEHALL DIST.



LONDON, S.W.1.

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G. O. REGY

15th September 1937.

No. 38292/37.

Dear Mr. Flood,

35. With reference to your letter of the 26th August about Mr. Peter Koinange, Lord Lothian asks me to let you know that the Trustees have already given Koinange £100 towards his course at the London Institute of Education since he had to make his arrangements in advance. The money has been sent to Professor F. Clarke, Director of Education, who is kindly arranging for someone there to supervise the payments to Mr. Koinange. The grant which the Government of Kenya has undertaken to make will enable Mr. Koinange to fulfil his plans.

Recd. 4/1.

Yours Sincerely,

Assistant Secretary.

J.E.W. Flood, Esq.,
Colonial Office,
S. W. 1.

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26th August, 1937.

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Dear Mr. Guillebaud,

In continuation of my letter of the 3rd of August I now write to say that Sister Keimige has told us that the Rhodes Trust are willing to pay half the sum required to enable him to study at the Institute of Education, and the Government of Kenya has now stated that it is willing to meet the other half, up to a maximum of £150. I am informing Keimige and the Rhodes Trust accordingly. I think the result is very satisfactory and I hope that it will be of benefit to Keimige himself and to the Government and people of Kenya.

Yours sincerely,

(Sd) J. S. W. Flood

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26th August, 1957.

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Sir,

I am directed by Mr. Secretary Ormsby Gore to refer to your letter of the 7th of August, and to inform you that the Government of Kenya has now intimated that it is prepared to make to you a grant of one half of the sum required to enable you to study at the Institute of Education up to a maximum of £150, on the understanding that the Rhodes Trust is prepared to provide the other half of the necessary amount. A letter to this effect has been addressed to the Rhodes Trust.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

(Sd) J. W. P. [Signature]

P. HIRSH, Esq.

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26th August, 1987.

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Sir,

With reference to the letter from this Office of the 5rd of August. I am directed by Mr. Secretary Ormsby Gore to request you to inform the Rhodes Trustees that Mr. Peter Koinange stated that the Trustees were prepared to grant to him one half of the sum required to enable him to study for a year at the Institute of Education in London University, provided that the remaining half was provided from some other source. The Government of Kenya has now stated that it is prepared to grant one half of the sum required up to a maximum of £180.

2. Mr. Ormsby Gore is extremely grateful to the Trustees for their generous assistance.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

THE SECRETARY,
THE RHODES TRUST.

TELEPHONE NO.
MUSEUM 7206

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The Under Secretary of State,
Colonial Office,
S. W. 1.

THE STUDENT MOVEMENT HOUSE,
32 RUSSELL SQUARE,
LONDON, W. C. 1

August 7th, 1937.



Sir,

The result of your kind support of my application to the Rhodes Trust for the renewal of the grant to enable me to study at the Colonial Department of the Institute of Education has been that the Rhodes Trust is willing to grant 50% of the sum estimated by my tutor in his letter to the Trust if the Colonial Office will kindly put up the remaining 50%, and that Mr. Guillebaud has forwarded the correspondence from Lord Lothian and himself on this matter to Mr. Flood and has suggested that I get in touch with Mr. Flood about it.

The success of this plan depends definitely upon the favourable decision of the Colonial Office. I am naturally very anxious not to see it fail for lack of the remaining 50%, since its usefulness has been realised by all.

I sincerely hope that the Colonial Office will consider this proposition favourably.

I remain, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

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Mr. Flood. 9 / 8 / 37. *gs*

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Sir C. Rottomley.

Sir J. Shackburgh.

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Secretary of State.

Answer (34)

Downing Street,

11 August, 1937.

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Sir,

DRAFT.

KENYA.

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NO. 639

GOVERNOR.

I have the honour to refer to my despatch No. 513 of the 30th of June and connected correspondence on the subject of Mr. Peter Koinange.

2. Since the completion of his studies at Cambridge, he has been in communication with the Institute of Education in the London University and considers that he would derive great advantage were he to take the course for the Teacher's Diploma of that Institute before proceeding to Kenya. His view is that the education

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he has hitherto received, though of University standard, is not particularly directed to teaching, so that he thinks that it would be better for him to receive some more specialised instruction before undertaking any work in the Education Department.

3. The Institute of Education has provisionally accepted his application to be enrolled as a student and he has applied to the Rhodes Trustees for a further grant to enable him to reside in England for the necessary further period.

It is understood that the necessary amount required would be about £225 which would cover the cost of his fees and maintenance for the necessary year. ^{legum} ~~Understand~~ however, that the view which is likely to be taken ^{however} by The Rhodes Trustees is that they have

already

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- Sir J. Shuckburgh.
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- Parly. U.S. of S.
- Secretary of State.

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In spite of everything, I understand that the Trustees are willing to contribute one half the required sum

(say £ 120 or £ 150 to allow for contingencies)

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held the opinion that they have already been generous in assisting Mr. Koinange and that any further ^{help} assistance which is considered desirable should be provided by the Government of Kenya, and I accordingly inquire whether your Government would be willing to make a grant of the ^{* remainder of the} amount stated towards Mr. Koinange's studies at the Institute of Education. ^(at first) 4. It had occurred to me that it would be better for Mr. Koinange to return to Kenya and work there for some time before thinking of taking a course at the Institute of Education, since I do not suppose that the post to which he will be appointed will necessarily involve an exact performance of the duties expected of an Education Officer, and that the

intention

intention is rather to find a post in which he can be usefully employed for a time so as to enable a decision to be reached as to the best way in which to make use of his services. Since, however, if he returns to Kenya, it would probably be many years before he could obtain leave to come to England, and since the Institute of Education is ready to take him, I think that the present opportunity might well be accepted, and I should be glad of a reply by telegram since, if no ^{further} grant can be made by the Rhodes Trust and no assistance is forthcoming from Kenya, he will have to return to his home towards the end of the present month.

I have, etc.

(Signed) W. ORMSBY GORE.

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9th August, 1937.

Dear Koinange,

Thank you for ringing me up this morning and I now write to tell you that although I have received from Mr. Guillebaud copies of some correspondence which he has recently had with Lord Lethian and the Rhodes Trust, I have not heard anything from him for the last week. It appears, however, from your official letter which came in to-day that the Rhodes Trust will contribute half the cost and there is a despatch being sent to the Government of Kenya asking them whether they will meet the other half and asking for an early reply. When we get the reply I will let you know further. The despatch should be with Kenya before the end of this week.

Yours sincerely,

KOINANGE, ESQ.

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Mr. Flood. 35/5

S.O. for Mr. Flood's signature.

Mr.

Mr.

Sir H. Mpora.

Sir G. Tomlinson.

Sir C. Bottomley.

Sir J. Shackburgh.

Permt. U.S. of S.

Parly. U.S. of S.

Secretary of State.

DOWNING STREET.

3 August, 1937.

Handwritten initials

Dear Koinange,

I have now got your official letter of the 25th of July, which crossed my letter to you of the 29th, and I write to you to say that we have written to the Rhodes Trust in support of your application. Since the Institute is prepared to accept you as a pupil, and since you wish to take the course now, we have no desire to pursue the suggestion made in my letter that you should go back to Kenya before trying the course of instruction at the Institute

of Education, if arrangements can be made to give you a grant, but there is ~~some doubt~~ some doubt whether the Rhodes Trust will be able to help any more.

Yours sincerely

Signed: E. W. FLOOD

DRAFT.

P. KOINANGE, ESQ.

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Sir C. Bottomley.

Sir J. Spackburgh.

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Parly. U.S. of S.

Secretary of State.

Checked (30)

DOWNING STREET.

3. August, 1937.

Sir,

I am etc. to inform you that he has learned from Mr. Peter Koinange, who was the subject of your letter of the 7th of October 1936, and connected correspondence, that he has made an application to the Rhodes Trust for a further grant to enable him to study for a year at the Institute of Education in the London University, with a view to obtaining the Teacher's Diploma. Mr. Ormsby Gore had been at first disposed to think that it would be better for Mr. Koinange to return to Kenya and work there for a time before beginning a course of instruction at the Institute of Education, but since the Institute is prepared

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THE SECRETARY,

THE RHODES TRUST.

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prepared to accept him as a student and since he is anxious to take the course of instruction, Mr. Ormsby Gore would welcome any further assistance which the Trust can render and desires strongly to support his application.

~~It is not likely that any financial assistance will be forthcoming from the Government of Kenya, and any grant now made should be sufficient to enable him to complete the course.~~

I am, etc.

P. Moore The Sec^y of State feels that ~~it is perhaps~~ this application for further financial assistance may possibly be regarded as unjustified. There are however no funds at his disposal from which any grant could be made to assist Mr. Koinange and it is not at all likely that the Govt. of Kenya will be prepared to ~~make a grant~~ provide any funds of on his account since he is not in the Govt. service as yet. In the ^{circ^s} there seems to be no alternative ~~the~~ source from which the necessary money can be found.

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W. F. L. O. E.

C. O.

Mr. *Hood* 3-8-37
Mr.
Mr.
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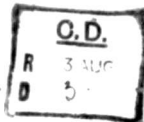
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C. G. Brillibaunt Esq.

To Rhodes Trust
D.H.

from Rhodes Trust in orig. *Keep copy*

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3. Aug. 1937

Dear Mr. Brillibaunt

Thank you very much for your letter & the correspondence about Koinange. I enclose a copy of a letter we are sending to the Rhodes Trust.

When Koinange told me he was thinking of this I consulted our experts who were inclined to the view that he ought to go back & start work in Kenya before trying to take the Education Institute course but since the Institute will talk him we are not pursuing that line.

I know that it looks as if "the Colonial Office" ought to pay but the trouble is that "the Colonial Office" has no money since Parliament does not supply us with any for such purposes. Also Kenya won't help.

I am expecting to be told off by Kenge
for advancing ^{the} a small sum which I
authorized lately.

I return Lord Lothian's letter. I have kept a
copy to ~~reproduce~~ ^{reproduce} for our records.

Yours sincerely

W. FLOOD

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ST JOHN'S COLLEGE
CAMBRIDGE

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Telephone 5052

1/11/37

RECEIVED
31 AUG 1937
C. O. REGY

Dear Mr. Flood

I enclose a copy of a

letter I have written to Lord Lothian
and of his reply to me.

It looks from what he says as

though the Trustees are not very likely
to agree to finance the work of Peter

Konings' proposed for this year

in England, though they would

probably be prepared to finance part of it.

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I do not know whether the Colonial
Office or the Kenya Government would
put up any money for him. I should be
very glad if this were possible as I am sure
that his plan is a good one.

Yours sincerely

P. V. Gillebrand

P.S. I have not got Lord Lott's
authorization to send you his letter, so
would you please treat this ^{as} being
communicated to you quite unofficially.

THE RHODES TRUST

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SEYMOUR HOUSE, WATERLOO PLACE,
LONDON, S.W.1.

29th July, 1937.

Dear Mr. Guillebaud,

Unfortunately your letter only reached me a day after the Trustees' Meeting and they will have no further meeting until the beginning of October. I am rather doubtful as to the attitude they will take. I think they feel that they have done a good deal for Koinange already, largely on the suggestion of Leakey supported by yourself, and I rather doubt whether they will think it is their business to find the full cost of another year in England which, in the letter I have received from Koinange himself, he estimates will require about £200, and you suggest should be as much as £225. I think I could get the Trustees to contribute to another year in view of his success, but I am pretty sure they will feel that the Colonial Office or his friends or some other authority ought to find at least half. Is there any chance of that happening? No doubt Koinange wants an early reply and if fifty per cent of it could be found from elsewhere, I could probably consult by telephone enough of the Trustees to give an early decision, but I am pretty certain I could not get a full grant except at a full meeting and I am doubtful whether I could get it then.

Yours etc.,

(Sgd.) Lothin.

Why cannot the Colonial Office find the whole amount.

We are going to get the benefit of his services.

C.W. Guillebaud, Esq.,
St. John's College,
Cambridge.

26th July 1937

Dear Sir,

I enclose an application from Mr Peter Keimanga for further assistance from the Rhodes Trustees to enable him to spend another year in England, this time working in the Colonial Department of the Institute of Education at London University.

While I feel some hesitation in appealing once more to the generosity of the Rhodes Trustees when they have already done so much for him, I do think his application has much to commend it.

A year's experience of practical teaching with special reference to African requirements and conditions should form an invaluable complement to the theoretical work which Mr Keimanga has been doing in Cambridge. It will give him a quite different standing, and a feeling of confidence in himself when he returns to Africa.

I feel that, coming as he does into the Kenya Educational Service as (I believe) the first representative of his people, a great deal will turn on the impression which he makes at the outset. It might be difficult for him to live down a bad impression created by an initial mistake due perhaps to inexperience, and he is much less likely to make such a mistake if he has already done nearly a year's teaching. It would be superfluous to stress the importance of the distinction between theory and practice in education.

I see from Mr Keimanga's letter that he is applying for a grant of £200, but he tells me that the fee of the Institute of Education amount to £55, and I feel that, if the Trustees were to entertain his application and could increase their grant to £225, it would make all the difference to him.

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He is a man who lives very economically, but he spent (including vacations) about £260 at Cambridge this last year, towards which the College made him a grant of £25. Although London would be less expensive in some ways than Cambridge, he will have fares to pay, which he has not had here, and I do think that he would find it difficult to live on as little as £145 from September to the following June or July.

I understand that there is some urgency in the matter, as Mr Keimings would like, in the event of his application being favourably considered, to start teaching in September.

Yours sincerely,

Tutor

The Secretary,
Rhodes Trust,
Seymour House,
Waterloo Place, S.W.1.

The Under Secretary of State
The Colonial Office, London E.C.1 25th July 1937 42



Sir

With reference to my conversation with Mr Flood on July 23rd., I herewith enclose a copy of the letter I have sent to the Rhodes Trust which, I think, explains itself.

With regard to the offer I have received from the Government of Kenya of a position in the Department of Education, I must say that I feel very much in need of technical equipment for the work, and am anxious to have a year of preparation for the duties involved under the supervision of the Colonial Department of the Institute of Education in London.

The Institute of Education has already accepted my application, subject to the success of my petition to the Rhodes Trust, or my being able to find the necessary fees in some other way.

I trust that, if reference should be made to the Colonial Office, you will be able to see your way to supporting my application, recognising that my services to the colony must be all the more effective if I am able to take up my work after adequate training.

I remain, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

Mbiyu Koinange

32, Russell Square,
London, W.C.1

24th July 1937

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The Secretary,
Rhodes Trust,
Seymour House,
Waterloo Place, S.W.1.

Dear Sir,

I spent the year 1936-7 studying at St. Johns College, Cambridge, which was made possible by the generosity of the Rhodes Trustees, and St. Johns College.

This letter is an application for renewal of similar financial assistance for the year 1937-8, to enable me to continue my studies for the Teachers Diploma in the Colonial Department of the Institute of Education, London University. I enclose a leaflet which describes the course fully. This Diploma, together with practice in teaching, under the supervision of trained Educational officers, will undoubtedly be very useful to me when I accept the post in the Department of Education in Kenya now offered to me by the Government of Kenya, through the Colonial Office in London. It will help me to serve them more efficiently, and in the end will prove an advantage to the Department of Education, the people, and the Government of Kenya.

All other arrangements have been completed, and the officials of the Colonial Department at the

Institute of Education have kindly accepted me as a student, and are willing to supply any further information you may require about the course, including fees, and arrangements for supervision of work during the year of study. Further, they suggest that my plans should be completed as soon as possible, since teaching practice begins in September.

I am sure that a grant of the same amount as was given to me last year—£500—will see me through the course.

Trusting that this application will meet with favourable consideration,

I am,

yours faithfully,

M. B. K. Koinange

UNIVERSITY OF LONDON INSTITUTE OF EDUCATION

INSTITUTE OF EDUCATION,

SOUTHAMPTON ROW,

LONDON, W.6

27th July, 193

COLONIAL DEPARTMENT



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Dear Mr. Koinange,

Dr. Mumford asks me to say that he would be glad to know at the earliest possible moment whether it will be possible for you to join the Colonial Group here when the new term starts.

He very much hopes that it will be possible

Yours faithfully,

pp. JULIUS LEWIN.

J. L.

Mr. Koinange,
Student Movement House,
32, Russell Square,
W.C. 1.

C. O.

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Mr.

Sir H. Moore.

Sir G. Tomlinson.

Sir C. Bottomley.

Sir J. Shuckburgh

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Secretary of State.

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DOWNING STREET.

29 July, 1937.

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DRAFT.

P. KOINANGE, ESQ.,
The Student Movement House,
32, Russell Square,
W.C.1.

Dear Koinange,

I have consulted our educational advisers about what you said to me the other day as to wishing to take out a course at the Institute of Education. We do not think that you need be under any misapprehension as to the intentions of the Kenya Government. What the Government means to do is to offer you a post which will enable you to get experience for a year and then you can be employed in whatever capacity is considered best.

Generally speaking, we think it much better that you should return to Kenya in order to look round and consider before finally deciding whether to take up the educational

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post which is being kept for you or not.

Then, if you do decide to take a course

at the Institute of Education, you will

come to it with a certain amount of experience

and with a very definite knowledge of what you

really want. Therefore, and also because

experience has shown that these courses are of

much more help when the pupil has had some

actual experience, we think it better that you

should not try to take on this course of study

now. It would be very difficult indeed to

arrange a special course for you, and the advice

given to me is that the best thing for you to

do is to return to Kenya now, and then, if you

decide to take on educational work afterwards,

the question of your taking out the training

course ^{can} will be further considered.

Yours sincerely,

W. FLOOD

C. O.

Mr. Flood 2/7/37

Mr. Stockdale 2/7

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Sir G. Tomlinson.

Sir C. Bokomley

Sir J. Spackburgh.

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Secretary of State.



Downing Street,

3. July, 1937.

Dear Koinange,

Sir Frank Stockdale has now been able to consult Professor Engledow of the Cambridge School of Agriculture, whom you probably know, and Sir John Russell of the Experimental Station at Rothamsted and both will be very happy to show you round their respective institutions. They will arrange for somebody to take you round and show you everything if you will let them know what day you would wish to pay the visit and when you would arrive.

If you write direct to them

saying that it has been suggested by the

(has suggested you should go to Colonial Office) they will know what it

is about. The addresses are:-

DRAFT.

P. KOINANGE, ESQ.

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Reminded to me
to this up some more
for him. ✓

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Professor F. L. Ingledew C.M.E.
School of Agriculture, Cambridge

Sir J. Russell, O.B.E., D.Sc., F.R.S.
Rothamsted Experimental Station
Harpenden, Herts

Yours sincerely
S. J. G. Wood

P.S. Let me know how you get on. If you
want a further advance I may be
able to arrange it.
S.J.G.

2, Richmond Terrace,
Whitehall, S.W.1.

2nd July, 1937.

Dear Engledow,

I have been asked by the Office to thank you for your kind offer to arrange to have Mr. Peter Koinage, of Kenya, shown round the Cambridge School of Agriculture and its farms.

We have asked him to write you direct and to let you know the time and date of his proposed arrival.

In regard to Mr. Narumi, from Iquihar, I am also asked to let you know that he proposes to go to Cambridge on August 11th or 12th after he finishes at St. Albans. He is due to leave early in September. Normal food, excluding pig of course, will suit him for lunch.

Many thanks for your assistance in this matter,

Yours sincerely,

Signed) F. L. ENGLELOW

PROFESSOR F.L. ENGLELOW, C.M.G.

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 Secretary of State.

DOWNING STREET.

30 June, 1937.

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Sir,

I have etc. to refer to my despatch No. 221 of the 12th of March, and to inform you that Peter Koinange has now completed his year's study in Cambridge. It is understood that he proposes to go to Kenya by the vessel leaving England on the 26th of August, and that his father has directed him to return on that ^{ship.} ~~boat.~~ His passage is already ~~arranged for.~~

2. He recently called at the Colonial Office and stated that he had no resources whatever to support him until the date of sailing, and I have accordingly, as a provisional measure, approved of an advance being made to him, by the Crown Agents for the Colonies, of a sum of £10 ~~per month~~ to be repaid by him on his return to Kenya

DRAFT. AIR MAIL

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KENYA
 NO. 513
 GOVERNOR

To Koinange 17 28 June
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Reincubate to me when
 day has gone.

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in such manner as you may direct, either
out of his salary if he decides to take up
a Government appointment, or otherwise.

3. If necessary, I also propose to
authorise further advances to him up to a

total of £25 in all, in order that he may
be enabled to see something more of England,

as has been recommended by Mr. C.W.Hobley, C.M.G., who has interviewed him,
and may not leave the country in debt.

I have, etc.

(Signed) W. ORMSBY GORE.

*I enclose a copy of con³ with him
from which you will see that he
has undertaken to repay the ^{loan} advance.*

The Student Movement House
32, Russell Square 20.
London, W.C.1.
June 28, 1937

The Under Secretary of State
Colonial Office
London, S.W.1.

C.O. REGY 50
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Sir,

17. I am writing to express my acceptance of the conditions stated in your letter of June 28, 1937, 38292/37 to me which the Right Honourable Oswald Gore authorised the Crown Agents for the Colonies to advance to me the sum of £10 (ten pounds).

18. I understand that I shall be required to refund to Government on my return to Kenya; that if I enter the Government Service the advanced money will be recoverable from my salary, but if not, I shall be expected to make arrangements for repayment in some other way.

With great appreciation,

I am,
Sir

Yours very sincerely
Mbiyu Koinange

Copy to Kenya 21

DOUGLAS STREET.

28th June, 1937.

Dear Wade,

In continuation of my letter of the 25th, young Koinange has now called upon me. He is still quite cheerful and quite unspoilt, and he is now anxious to get back to Kenya. At the same time he says he has spent eight years in the States and only one in England, and while in England he has only seen Cambridge and a little bit of London (he told me that he was all right in the Underground, but outside it - lost) and I am trying to arrange with Stockdale for him to go and see some agricultural work at Rothamstead or elsewhere.

As regards his passage back, that is all right and money is available, but he has only got eighteen pence to live on between now and the 26th of August, when he has been told to go back, and I have accordingly ventured to authorise the advance to him of a sum of £10 (ten pounds) from Kenya funds, on the understanding that it will be repaid when he gets out to Kenya,

either

SIR ARMIGEL WADE, C.M.J., O.B.E.

either by deductions from his salary if he takes up a Government appointment, or otherwise. If he does not repay, I will assume responsibility myself and refund it to Kenya.

He told me that he had written to his father and was expecting remittances from time to time, but nothing had yet turned up and as it would never do for him to get completely derelict and make the acquaintance of the London casual ward, I think the only thing is to treat him as I have proposed. He is living very cheaply at the African Students' Hostel, but he must clearly have some money. He told me that various people had given him invitations to go and see them, but he can't accept because he has not got the money for the necessary rail fares. I am sending a despatch on the subject. It is proposed to authorise the advance of a further £15 (fifteen pounds) if necessary, on a similar understanding as to repayment.

Yours sincerely,
(Sgd) J. I. U. How

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28th June, 1937.

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Gentlemen,

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I am directed by Mr. Secretary Ormsby Gore to request you to pay to Mr. Peter Koinange, whose address is The Student Movement House, 32, Russell Square, W.C.1., the sum of ten pounds from Kenya funds. Mr. Koinange is a native of Kenya and on his return, which is due to take place at the end of August, the Government proposes to offer him an appointment. The advance now made to him should therefore be regarded as an advance on account of salary, recoverable by such instalments as the Governor may direct on his return to Kenya. I am to request you to treat the matter as one of urgency.

I am,

Gentlemen,

Your most obedient servant,

(Sgd) J. S. W. Flood

THE CROWN AGENTS

FOR THE COLONIES.

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28th June, 1937.

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Sir,

With reference to your call at the Colonial Office, I am directed by Mr. Secretary Ormsby Gore to inform you that he has authorised the Crown Agents for the Colonies to advance to you, provisionally, a sum of £10 (ten pounds) which you will be required to refund to Government on your return to Kenya by such instalments as the Governor may see fit to direct. If you enter the Government Service the advance in question will be recoverable from your salary, but if not, you will be expected to make arrangements for repayment in some other way.

1/14 to Kenya - (21)

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

(Sign) J. I. W. Flood

P. KOINANGE, ESQ.

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DOWNING STREET.

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25th June, 1937.

Dear Wade,

I enclose a self-explanatory letter from Hobley about young Koinange. One thing in it is very satisfactory indeed, and that is the excellent impression that he has made on Hobley. Hobley rang me up on the telephone and reinforced this and said that he was very pleased indeed with what he had seen of the young man.

As regards the provision of money, we are rather in a hole. He is not yet a Kenya Government employee and as Hobley says, it might be awkward if the old chief were directed or pressed to supply some more cash. It has occurred to me, however, that having regard to his position and the fact that he is a very probable candidate for a Government appointment, it would be permissible to advance to him a sum of, say, £25 or so from Kenya funds, on condition that it is to be repaid after his return to Kenya, either out of his Government salary

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salary if he takes a Government post, or by any other means that he thinks fit. I have not yet heard anything from him, but I expect I shall.

I understand from Leakey that there is no difficulty about his return passage, for which the Phelps-Stokes people have got money in hand.

25th June, 1937.

Dear Hobley,

Thank you very much indeed for your long letter about Peter Koinange. I am very glad that he made such a good impression on you, as indeed he did on me when I saw him, and I hope that he will be of use to his people and to Kenya when he returns.

As regards money, I am suggesting that we should simply advance him a certain amount from Kenya funds to enable him to repay Guillebaud, and the advance can be given on the understanding that he will repay it on his return to Kenya, either out of his salary if he takes up a post under Government, or by some other means. I have written to Wade to tell him that we propose to do this and I think it will be all right.

As regards Koinange getting round and seeing agricultural matters, I am consulting Stockdale, but I am not at all sure, in my own mind, that experimental stations

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C. W. HOBLEY, ESQ., C.M.G.

here are likely to be of much use to him. As regards tropical agriculture, he would derive far more benefit from a visit to Amani or some place like that, and it would be rather bewildering to him to see the English farming methods, which vary so much and are so exposed to criticism. However, I shall see what Stockdale thinks.

Yours sincerely,

TELEGRAPHIC
ADDRESS,
"SPORTS, PICCY."
LONDON"

As from
Woodfield
Road

THE SPORTS CLUB,
ST JAMES'S SQUARE, S.W.1.

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TELEPHONE NO
WHITENALL 1000-7

Dear Flood (Kerua) 23/6/37

To confirm our telephone
conversation of yesterday re Chief

Koniaris one

At the request of my old colleague U.K.
about quarry I communicated with Mr. Briggs

Koniaris, I had previously been in touch
with him but had never met him. I met
two days ago at Shedden Mount House
32 Russell Sq. & had a long chat with him

I cross-examined about his experiences in
America & he gave a brief account of his
training at Hampton, Ohio Univ. & East Columbia
Univ. & told me how eventually he had
fetched up at St John's Coll. Cambridge

Copy to Woodfield

He has now finished at the latter place
having exhausted a grant from the
Rhodes trust.

He is very intelligent & to my surprise
did not seem to be affected by his
varied experiences.

I asked what he proposed to do with the
education he had acquired & he told
me that his aim was to go back & devote
himself to his people. He said that he had
been approached regarding an appointment in
the Kenya Education Dept, ~~which~~ which
attracted him, but he would like to defer
firmly committing himself till he arrives as
his father might insist on his staying to
help him but he had come to no decision
on this point. In my case if he joined the

Education Dept, he would like a little time
to brush up his knowledge of the Bhabye
language, for having been away about 10 years
he had forgotten a good deal. 60

There is one point which he also stressed,
he was a long time in America & obtained
a pretty good knowledge of life in the U.S.A.
As however he is a British subject, he felt
that before returning he would like to
know more of England for at present his
knowledge is meagre, he knows the town of
Cambridge & the centre of London but beyond
that has seen nothing. This particularly
concerns he tells me, to see something of
agricultural matters in England. I suggested
that probably the C. O. might be willing to
arrange for him to visit Rothamsted
Experiment Station & the I.C.I. experimental
farm at Jealott's Hill. St. did not however
would advise on this better than I can.

He also told me with some diffidence
that he had no money for although he
had written several letters to his father
no reply ~~to~~ to his request had been
received. The tutor at Cambridge had
lent him £2 (the guillemet)

He was however very anxious that his
father should not receive an order
from the V.C. to send money to his
son, for he might get annoyed with him.

I assured him that I thought I could
promise that any representation made would
be done with utmost tact, in fact if it
would help, the representation could be put as
coming from me & not from his son, as I
know the old man.

I have now written to Kenning ^{+ to home} to ring you
up & arrange an interview. Vardon this
long letter but it may serve to put you on fact
with the printer
your sincerely
C. W. Hobbes

-C.D.

Mr. Grosmith.

Mr. *Askin* (v. *min. etc.*)

Mr. *S* 20.3

Sir C. Parkinson.

X Sir G. Tomlinson. 22.3.37

X Sir C. Bottomley. 22.3.37 *f*

Sir J. Shuckburgh.

Perm. U.S. of S.

Parly. U.S. of S.

Secretary of State.

Ackd. (18)

So. for Sir G. Tomlinson's signature.

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31 March, 1937.

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Dear Logan,

DRAFT.

W.M. LOGAN, ESQ., O.B.E.

I enclose a copy of
correspondence with Mr. Guillebaud
who is Peter Koinange's tutor at
Cambridge. You will see that
Koinange wants to look about him
for a time on his return to Kenya
and that he ^{is} ~~does~~ ^{anxious} not want to commit
himself to accepting the post of
Education Officer, Grade III, on the
terms mentioned in Kenya despatch
No. 23 of the 11th of January. I

To Mr. Guillebaud 28/3/37 (7)

From - 15/3/37 (10)

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do not think there is anything more
to be done about it until he returns
to Kenya, but as young Leadley is now
in Kenya it would be well to get in touch
with him & see what he thinks. He knows
more about Koinange than any one else
I will be able to suggest anything

Yours sincerely,

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- G. D.

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Mr. ~~Robkin~~ (v. ~~min~~)
Mr. ~~S~~ 20.3
Sir C. Parkinson.

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to Mr. Sir G. Tomlinson's signature

X Sir G. Tomlinson. 22.3.37
X Sir C. Bottomley & 2.3.37 f

31 March, 1937.

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Sir J. Shuckburgh.
Perm. U.S. of S.
Parly. U.S. of S.
Secretary of State.

Dear Logan,

DRAFT.

W.M. LOGAN, ESQ., O.B.E.

To W. G. G. G. G. 25/3/37 (2)
From - - - 15/3/37 (10)

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I enclose a copy of correspondence with Mr. Guillebaud who is Peter Koinange's tutor at Cambridge. You will see that Koinange wants to look about him for a time on his return to Kenya and that he ^{is anxious} does not want to commit himself to accepting the post of Education Officer, Grade III, on the terms mentioned in Kenya despatch No. 23 of the 11th of January. I do not think there is anything more to be done about it until he returns to Kenya, but as young Leakey is now in Kenya it would be well to get in touch with him & see what he thinks. He knows more about Koinange than any one else & ^{may} be able to suggest something

available. The salary sticks us as about
right and of course he could easily live on it.

It seems to me that he will have a very
hard job before him. He is a good man and everyone
who sees him likes him. But he will be very hard
up for company in Kenya as you have no population
of educated Africans. He is clearly ambitious to do some good
in the world and there is a real risk of his getting into
bad heads and becoming disgruntled. Then he might
easily be turned into a leader of the disaffected and
as we know too well his good qualities would make
him a much more serious force than if he were
uneducated and an ordinary road & file African.

If he does go off the rails he will have the
makings of a real nuisance and in view of what
his letter says about him it seems worth a special
effort to keep him sound. But you will realize
this as much as or more than I do.

S. J. Jeffries
(Signed) C. J. JEFFRIES

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Mr. Parkinson

Mr. J. 20.3

Sir C. Parkinson.

X Sir G. Tomlinson. 22/3/37

X Sir C. Bottomley 22.3

Sir J. Shuckburgh.

Perm. U.S. of S.

Parly. U.S. of S.

Secretary of State.

Semi-official for Sir G. Tomlinson's
signature.

31 March, 1937.

DRAFT.

C. W. GUILLEBAUD, ESQ.

Dear Guillebaud,

Many thanks for your letter

(10) of the 15th of March regarding

Peter Koinange. I quite understand
his feeling that he would like to look
round in Kenya before accepting or
refusing the post in the Education
Department and I am sending a copy of
your letter semi-officially to the
Acting Colonial Secretary of the
Colony.

I do not think that Koinange
need have any fear that it was the
Kenya Government's intention to
assimilate him to an Asian. It was
only

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only a question of hitting upon an
appropriate salary scale. I might
mention that the salary scales of
Primary Education Officers appointed
to the ~~Board~~ European Local Civil Service are
correlated to professional qualifications
and experience. A University graduate
who has no teaching experience and does
not possess a certificate recognised as
equivalent to the Board of Education
Certificate, has to enter the Service at

^{going up to}
£240 in the scale ~~£240-30-£360~~. However,

*I assume that Kenyatta will
I do not think there is anything more to
communicate with the Colonial Secretary
be done until KENNEDY returns to Kenya.
at Nairobi when he returns to Kenya.*

Yours sincerely,

so £182 - £300 is
just about 5/6 of that. It does
not add to him on it all right.

(Signed) G. W. JEFFRIES

for Mr. & Tomlinson
who is away

C. W. GUILLEBAUD

TELEPHONE 5052

ST JOHN'S COLLEGE
CAMBRIDGE

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18 MAR 1937
C. O. BERRY

Dear Tomlinson,

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I have had a number of talks with Peter ~~Tomlinson~~ on the subject of the letters which you sent me, concerning particulars of the post which the Kenya Government are proposing to offer him in the Education Service. I also asked him to put on paper his views on some particular points.

In the first place he is pleased and grateful that the offer should have been made to him. His real interest is undoubtedly in education. He said himself of the whole position in Kenya: 'I look at the problem as an educationist and not as pro-Black or pro-White'.

He does not want however to accept the post now. He wants, I think very sensibly, to go back to Africa and look round for about six months without being trammelled by holding an official position. He knows that the education out there, e.g. in the Jeanes Schools is a complex and delicate one, and he wants to sense the position on the spot. It must be remembered that he has been out of Africa for nearly nine years.

He feels that if he goes in straight away he will stand to be shot at on all sides. Some will say that he is full of crank American notions on education; others that he is trying to apply English educational methods to an essentially different African problem; the missionaries will regard him as a Government emissary and be suspicious of him, and the settlers will look askance at him from another point of view, not to mention the Africans themselves. He wants to find out first what has been done and is being done in the way of education for the African nation, not merely in the Government schools, but also in other types of schools. Then he will have a basis on which to build, instead of coming in as a mere theorist.

Then there is the question of the salary. Here there are two points involved. First, he is going to be married very soon after he reaches Africa, and he is doubtful whether £15 a month will be sufficient for him to start

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on as a married man. As a 'Europeanised' African in the Government service he cannot live quite on the native scale, and the question is whether the proposed salary will maintain two people adequately. I can vouch for the fact that Koinange is very careful with his money and has not got at all extravagant tastes, but in Africa he will have a position to keep up, he is a Chief's son and will be very much in the public eye so far as the Africans are concerned. I should have thought that his own people could, and probably would, put up a good deal more for him if he devoted himself entirely to them, and did not go into Government service. He tells me that he understands that in West Africa the trained Africans in Government service are usually paid 5/8ths of the European scale of salary, though he says that he realises that the problems there are no doubt different.

The second point has to do with the proposal to place him on the same scale as that of an Asian Education Officer Grade III. He appreciates, and at least I have told him that this is presumably the case - that the Kenya Government have given him a status and salary scale which is above that which would ordinarily be given to an African in Kenya. Yet he instinctively dislikes and is repelled by the idea of being 'assimilated' to an Asian. He wonders uncomfortably whether his fellow Africans will not feel that in some way he has dissociated himself with them and, by accepting such a post has recognised and accepted the Asians as a class with a status and expectation of income superior to that of the Africans. This, on political and general grounds, he would be very loath to do. Further he points out (I do not know whether he is accurate in saying this) that the Grade III for the Asians would be the appropriate scale for a youth of 19 entering the Service with a local education, whereas he himself is nearly thirty and has degrees in America, quite apart from the work that he has been doing in Cambridge.

Finally I would like to quote his own words. "What I want above all things is genuine cooperation of the Africans and the Europeans so that the citizens of that territory (Kenya) may through educational means be facilitated to acquire better health and friendly understanding in their daily life?"

Through my own dealings with Koinange I have come to

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acquire a genuine respect and liking for him. He is modest and unpretentious, free from racial prejudices, but very anxious to improve the conditions of the people. He has plenty of character as well as good ability, and I believe he could play an important role in the relations between the black and the white races in Kenya.

I can vouch for his loyalty.

Yours sincerely,

C. W. Guillebaud

Sir George Tomlinson,
The Colonial Office,
Downing Street, LONDON.

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No. 221

For Chief Koinange 10/4
(No 8.)

I have to transmit
to you a copy of a letter
~~which has been received~~ from
Chief Koinange & to
request that you will
cause him to be informed

that I ^{am sure that} ~~have been~~
his son is now at Cambridge & that I
~~very pleased to hear~~
have received
very favourable reports
on the work of his son
Peter at St. John's College
Cambridge, & ~~that~~

I ^{feel sure} ~~am confident~~ that
his course of study here
will be of great
benefit to him in his
future career ^{his} on return
to his native land &
~~that~~ ^{he} Peter was

Peter Koinange has called at
brought to the C.O.
the Colonial Office & has been

interviewed by officers

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~~by Dr. L. S. B. Lewis who
introduced him to the Head
of the East African Department,
who was glad to have had the opportunity of~~

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the attention of Chief Karianga
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~~making his
arrangements.~~

(Signed) W. CRMSBY GORE

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(Signed) W. CRMSBY GORE

Church Missionary Society,
Kiambaa,
P. O. Kiambu,
Kenya Colony.
10th February, 1937.

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Dear Sir,

I have great pleasure in sending you my complements and those of my family, since I wrote you the last.

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I am to remind you that I wrote you some time past in connection with a visit of my son Peter M. Koinange BA.MA. and informed you that he intended to pass at yours on his way to Kenya Colony from America.

copy to Kenya (9)

Now he is in England, having already left America, and I regret to say that I forgot to write again and tell you of his arrival at England. I would be very much glad if you could get a chance of seeing him while in England, so that you may know him and he knows you as you and I know each other.

I think he will be interested to attend to the Coronation of His Majesty King George the VI. He is in the John's College, Cambridge University, looking forward to return to his mother Country of Kenya.

I shall be glad to hear you have seen him while he is in England.

I am,
Your Sincere Friend,

Koinange Mlin

Senior Chief, Kiambu District.

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Sir G. Tomlinson's
Semi-Official for Mr. Flood's signature.

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Downing Street,
22 February, 1937.

Dear General.

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Leaky may have mentioned to

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C.W. GILLEBAUD, ESQ.,
St. John's Coll.
Cambridge.

Copy sent to
10/11-2/1937
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copy to H.H. Logan (12)

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to reserve the post for Peter Koinang
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increments as stated and an efficiency
bar at the £230 point.

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Secretary of State.

Downing Street,

25 February, 1937.

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St. John's Coll.
Cambridge.

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copy to Sir H. Legg (12)

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Asians serve in the Asian Local Civil

Service.

3. It is proposed therefore, that the other terms of service to be attached to the post shall be similar to those set out in paragraphs 14, 17, 19, 21, 23 and 25 to 29 of the enclosed circular, together with the following conditions relative to medical assistance:-

"The officer will be provided with all reasonable medical attendance on himself, his wife and his children free of cost."

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5. No statutory provision exists in Kenya in respect of a Provident Fund to which Africans can contribute. The question, however, of establishing one Provident Fund to which Europeans, Asians and possibly certain selected Africans can contribute at appropriate rates is engaging the attention of the Kenya Government. At some future date, therefore, it may prove possible to provide Provident Fund facilities

for

for the holder of the post of African
Education Officer, Grade ^{IV} A.

6. Perhaps you would be good
enough to let Koinange know what the
Kenya Government have in mind for him.

Yours sincerely,

Ugo J. V. Vanhoren.

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Yours sincerely,

(Sgd) G. J. V. Yankin.

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// January, 1957.

*No 310
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Sir,

I have the honour to refer to correspondence terminating with Kenya despatch No. 647 of the 3rd December on the subject of the employment by the Kenya Education Department of Mr. Peter Koinange and to state that the new post which it is proposed to offer to Mr. Koinange is that of Education Officer, Grade III, and that the salary attached to the post will be £182 by £12 to £250 by £10 to £240 by £12 to £300, with annual increments as stated and an efficiency bar at the £250 point.

** Copy attached*
2. It will be observed that the salary scale proposed is identical with that of an Asian Education Officer, Grade III, in the Asian Local Civil Service, as set out in Appendix III of Secretariat Circular No. 15 of the 18th May, 1955. While Mr. Koinange will not of course be a member of the Asian Local Civil Service it is considered that the scale would be appropriate in his special case and also that the other terms of service attached to the post designed for him should be largely identical with those under which Asians serve in the Asian Local Civil Service.

It is proposed therefore that the other terms of service to be attached to the post shall be similar to those set out in paragraphs 14, 17, 19, 21, 23 and 25 to 29 of Secretariat Circular No. 15 of 1955, together with the following conditions relative to medical attendance:-

"The

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE

W. ORMSBY GORE, P.C., M.P.,
SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES,
DOWNING STREET, LONDON, S.W. 1

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4. As you are aware no statutory provision exists in this Colony in respect of a Provident Fund to which Africans can contribute. The question, however, of establishing one Provident Fund to which Europeans, Asians and possibly certain selected Africans could contribute at appropriate rates is engaging the attention of the Treasurer. At some future date therefore it may prove possible to provide provident fund facilities for the holder of the post of African Education Officer, Grade III.

5. In the event of the proposals contained in this despatch meeting with your approval I would suggest that Mr. Koinange be informed by you of the terms which it is proposed to offer him on his return to Kenya.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient, humble servant,



ACTING GOVERNOR'S DEPUTY.

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Mr. *Platkin*

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Sir C. Parkinson.

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~~January, 1937.~~

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Sir,

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THE SECRETARY,

THE RHODES TRUST.

copy to Sir Guillebaud

I am etc. to refer to correspondence regarding the grant of £150 so generously given by the Rhodes Trustees to enable Mr. Peter Koinange to spend two terms at St. John's College, Cambridge, and to state that ^{he} ~~the~~ Secretary of State has read with pleasure the very favourable reports made by Mr. Guillebaud on Mr. Koinange's work at the University. ~~It is understood~~ ~~Mr. Ormsby Gore understands~~ that Dr. Leakey and Mr. Guillebaud are most anxious that Mr. Koinange should continue to reside at St. John's for the May term 1937, and that the College authorities are prepared to make a small grant towards this end. It appears, however, that

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Mr. Guillebaud
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Assistance
even with this grant a further sum of £50

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will be required.

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Mr. Ormsby Gore has ~~sent~~ a copy

of a letter written by Mr. Guillebaud to

inquiring
Lord Lothian to ~~enquire~~ whether the Rhodes

Trustees would be willing to extend their

grant by another £50. He ~~is convinced~~ *has no doubt* that

if the Trustees will do this, the benefits

which will accrue to Mr. Koinange *will* would be

great
of incalculable value. He hopes, therefore,

that the Trustees will be able to consider

favourably Mr. Guillebaud's suggestion.

I am, etc.

(Signed) J. J. PASKIN.



With Mr C. W. Guillebaud's Compliments

Forwarded at the request of Mr Leakey

ST JOHN'S COLLEGE
CAMBRIDGE

St John's College

Cambridge

25th January 1937.

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Dear Lord Lothian,

I am writing to ask whether it would be possible for arrangements to be made to enable the African student, Peter Koinange, to continue to reside at St John's for the May Term 1937.

The present position is that he has been here for the Michaelmas Term 1936 and is now in residence for the current Lent Term. This has been made possible by the grant to him of £150 from the Rhodes Trustees.

I have no hesitation in saying that so far the experiment of sending Peter Koinange to Cambridge has been a complete success. He is a real glutton for work. He has been attending courses on African anthropology; economics, phonetics; Colonial history, tropical agriculture; and on educational methods and school management. When asked to state on an official form the course for which he was studying, he wrote "General Orientation", a description which hits it off rather neatly.

He is working seriously and making considerable use of the University and other Libraries. The lecturers with whom he has come in contact are impressed by his keenness and intelligence. In addition to his university work he has been spending a good deal of time visiting schools and observing class-room teaching.

On the social side he is mixing well with the undergraduates. He plays a fair amount of College football. He seems to entertain a good deal in a modest way in his College rooms and he is often invited out to meet other men. He is evidently a popular member of the College and is also getting to know quite a number of men in the University as a whole.

While I have no doubt that he will have benefited greatly from the two Terms which he will have spent at the University, I believe the benefit would be consolidated and much

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increased by a third term. If he goes down to earth he will have a feeling of incompleteness and of having had his time out short just when he was really feeling his feet and able to expand and deepen the contacts which he had already made. After his prolonged stay in America I would very much like to have him thoroughly inoculated with the British scene; and I think a third term to round off the academic year would have a more than proportional additional value. There is also the point that it would cover the coronation.

The College is already credited to him with £15 in respect of Caution Money and has paid on his behalf £7. 3s. for certain initial fees. We should also be willing to make him a further grant of £21 to assist him in starting a third term. If it were possible for the Rhodes Trustees to extend the generous assistance which they have given, and could contribute say an extra £50 (the May term is slightly shorter than the other two terms), I believe the money would turn out to have been thoroughly a good investment.

If we could have a decision on this not later than about 15th March, I should be grateful.

I remain,

Yours sincerely,

C. G. Faulkner

Lord Lothian,
Rhodes Trust,
Seymour House,
Waterloo Place,
London, S.W.1.

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Mr. Flood. 2/1/37

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Mr.

January, 1937.

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Sir G. Tomlinson.

Sir C. Bottomley. 2/1

S.O. for Sir J. Maffey's signature.

Sir J. Shuckburgh.

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Secretary of State.

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Thank you for your letter

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of the 20th. As regards young Koinange, he is an interesting case.

AIR CHIEF MARSHAL SIR R. BROOKE-POPHAM,

G.C.V.O., K.C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O.

His father is one of the leading chiefs among the Kikuyu people (among whom Leakey was born and brought up) and gave evidence before the Joint Select Committee in 1931/32. The son has spent the last nine years in the United States where he has graduated at Columbia University, and he is now, with the aid of a grant from the Rhodes Trust, putting in a year at St. John's, Cambridge, in order to de-Americanise himself. This was

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arranged by Leakey, who is on very friendly terms with young Koinange and says that he is doing well at Cambridge (his tutor endorses this) and has high hopes of him on his return to Kenya.

Flood has met him and says that he is a very good specimen of an educated black man. He knows he is black and makes chaffing remarks about the superiority of the wool on his head over hair when it comes to dealing with the English climate, but he is not at all aggressive, as so many educated Africans are, and indeed, seems to be quite a nice young fellow. There is, however, no earthly reason why you should go out of your way to meet him, and we could scarcely bring him up to London just for a few minutes' talk to you, which is all that could possibly be expected; so ^{the} best thing to do is to leave it alone. If you happen to be anywhere and run into Koinange, ^{it would} ~~be well for you to~~ say a few words to him.

Leakey

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Secretary of State.

Leakey is full of

enthusiasm and all his geese are invariably swans, and one should always discount in advance anything he says; but he is a refreshing enthusiast, though I expect you realise how voluble he can be.

Yours sincerely,

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20th January, 1937.

My dear Maffey,

1. I return Mance's Report on Transport. I confess I found it a bit hard to follow in detail as it assumes more knowledge of the local conditions than I have got. However, there is a lot of valuable information and suggestions in it.

2. Last night at the Empire Society dinner I met one, Professor Leakey. I got a certain amount of information about him a little while ago from Flood, so I understand that any statement of his must be accepted with due reserve. He was very anxious for me to meet one, Peter Koinange, the son, I understand, of the Leading Chief of Kikuyu and now at St. Johns College, Cambridge. Personally I should not have thought there was any harm in doing this, provided of course the man can come up to London, I am not going to Cambridge merely to meet him. I should, however, be grateful of any advice you can give on the matter and, also, if you agree that it would be a good thing for us to meet, whether the Colonial Office could send for him and perhaps pay his return fare as I understand he has very little money.

Yours sincerely
R.B. Brooke-Polham

Sir John L. Maffey, G.C.M.G.,
K.C.B., K.C.V.O., C.S.I., C.I.E.,
Permanent Under-Secretary of State,
The Colonial Office,
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