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DELAMERE MEMORIAL

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Enquires C.O. attitude towards the Delamere Memorial appeal which it is proposed to launch in England & Kenya next May, especially with regard to limitation that ought to be placed upon the amount.

M. Dore.

We have discussed & come to the conclusion that as Sir R. Brooke-Popham considers that Govt. ~~not~~ ought to subscribe to this memorial, there was no reason for the S. G. to object.

As regards the amount, we agreed that £500 wd. be excessive, in view of the proposal that the memorial shd. now take the form of a statue. I suggested, quite arbitrarily, that a contribution of £250 might now be suitable; but you thought that it wd. probably have a better effect if the Govt. wd. promise to contribute a certain sum still to be raised. (ie £300 on the basis of the estimate of £1200).

J. P. B. 11/1

There is something to be said for making the Govt. contribution proportionate to the private subscriptions.

D.H. submitted. A. Dore 11.1

I agree entirely. His paper
concluded - that the Govt should
contribute, but to undo it
would only provoke local
complaint. There were good many
farmers who did not see eye to
eye with the Government and
were all now, complaining of taxation.

W. G. S.
11.1.38

W. G. S.
12.1.38

W. G. S.
To Sir L. Brooke Topham (Land) 12 Jan. 38

C. O.

For Sir Cosmo Parkinson's signature.

Mr. Dawe. 11.1

Mr.

Mr.

Sir H. Moore.

Sir G. Tomlinson.

X Sir C. Bottomley. 11.1.

Sir J. Shuckburgh

X Perms. U.S. of S. 12/8

Parly. U.S. of S.

Secretary of State.

Downing Street,

12 January, 1938.

Dear Brooke-Popham,

This is a line in reply to your letter of the 24th December about the proposed Delamere Memorial.

I am quite sure that there would be no objection here to a contribution from Kenya funds, particularly as you feel that Government ought to subscribe. I do not think that the Secretary of State would want to lay down any hard and fast ruling regarding the amount. But, as you say, £500, which would have been appropriate for a creative social purpose like an agricultural scholarship, seems a lot for a statue. My suggestion would be that Government should offer to subscribe a definite proportion of the sum which

is

DRAFT.

AIR CHIEF MARSHAL
SIR ROBERT BROOKE-POPHAM,
G.C.V.O., K.C.B., C.M.G.,
D.S.O., A.F.C.

K E N Y A.

BY BAG.

FURTHER ACTION.

is still to be raised. This sum is £1,200; and, if
Government offered to find one quarter of the
amount ~~required~~ up to that figure, its
maximum contribution would then be fixed at
the reasonable round sum of £300.

I tentatively suggest this solution
though, as I say, I am sure that the Secretary
of State would not want you to feel that you
are tied down to any hard and fast figure.

yes,
W. L. P. ...

~~Not yet sent~~
6/1/38

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
MALABARI.

24th December, 1937.

Dear Parkinson,

~~all~~

You may remember that some years ago a Belamere Memorial appeal was launched in Kenya, a sum of £200 was collected, then the matter dropped, and nothing has been done for about five years. Last summer Grigg wrote to me from England and said it was proposed to re-start a Belamere Memorial appeal in England and asked whether the Kenya Government would head the list with a subscription of £100. I replied that I could not guarantee any money from the Kenya Government for a fund of this sort until it had been through the usual channels, and that in any case the time for launching the appeal was very inopportune as I was just starting a George V Memorial campaign in Kenya. Grigg thereupon suggested launching the appeal. The proposal has now been put up for the appeal to be launched in England and simultaneously re-launched in Kenya next May. The total fund to be raised now to a state for which a total of £1,500 is required - i.e., £1200 more than they have got at present. I have been asked to promise my approval of my office that is as follows for a Government subscription. I think the Government ought to subscribe, though the main question is as regards the amount. I said originally that I thought the Government ought to give perhaps £500 if the Memorial.....

Grigg

Memorial was to take the form of an agricultural scholarship whereby young prospective settlers could receive a proper agricultural training. If it is only for a statue I don't think the amount should be so much, especially as the total to be raised is only £1200. I presume the proposal would have to have the approval of the Colonial Office, and I should like to know what ~~the~~^{your} attitude towards it would be ~~and what~~^{especially as regards}.
The limitation ^{that} ought to be placed upon the amount.

All best wishes for 1938.

Yours sincerely,

A. Brooke-Popham

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