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Kenya

No. 15017

SUBJECT

C 05357373

Kilindini Harbour

Previous

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Subsequent

Sub-file "A"
(Partly Question)

Sub-file "B"
(Examine etc. later)

See R. 18442/18 Congestion

1. Edgar Walker Tel. 5 - 9 Jan 1928
State that the Council will be represented on
Executive Board but other representatives
nominating Campbell & Canning & advising
funds as to apply to Statutory Board.

2. Edgar Walker 194 - 12 Dec. 27
Submits proposals with ^{view} to remuneration
to members of the Port Advisory Board.

Members of the Railway Advisory Tel
official & official - at £44.0 a day
in addition to the travelling allowance of 30p.
(No 1 a ^{King} 5278/26). In fact case is to

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to be made ^{conceded} (conceded)
Agreed that the Uganda official
members should be paid from Uganda
for transport funds. There are
local no official members ^{proposed} & applied
in the case of the "Kabarole" except
the Chairman (Cammie) & others for
shown as non-remunerable ^{at} £1

£100 a year is proposed. And the Dub
to be ^{very} ^{high} ^{for} ^{expenses}
of ^{the} ^{Board} ^{which} ^{are} ^{not} ^{subject} ^{to}
^{the} ^{Board's} ^{approval} ^{or} ^{allowance}. ^{The} ^{Chairman}
Chairman of the ^{at} ^{the} ^{stage} ^{is} ^{to} ^{be}

Chairman requires ^{to} ^{be} ^{paid} ^{at} ^{the} ^{stage} ^{is} ^{to} ^{be}
The ^{Board} ^{has} ^{no} ^{objection} ^{to} ^{the} ^{remuneration} ^{proposed}
& approves the ^{at} ^{the} ^{stage} ^{is} ^{to} ^{be} ^{paid} ^{to} ^{the} ^{Chairman}

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continuation, also called the
Lynching. I suppose the
Ranking the Board, and
people who were with me
some - should try and have
found a way out.

As it is, we can do nothing
and as James will rather
not require to be had
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B.H.
at once
11.3.28

Entry proper to House of Commons — 22 March 28
on sub file A (No. 1) Question by Mr. Day.

Action is to be taken on
sub file A (No. 1) put by

H. Ashworth
12/3/28
at once

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contribution, who also control the
lighting. I suppose the
Railway the Board, and
people who deal with the
same - otherwise they would have
found a way out.

As it is, we can do nothing
and as I have said before
it appears to be a
arrangement

P. J. Kelly

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P. J. Kelly
at home
11. 3. 28.

Entry proper of House of Commons — 22 March 28
on Lib. file A (No. 1) Relation by Mr. Day.

Action as to 5 taken on
sub file A (No. 1) put by

H. H. Wood

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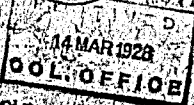
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GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

NAIROBI,

KENYA.



FEBRUARY, 1928.

Sir,

I have the honour to confirm my telegram No. 5 of the 9th January, which reads as under :-

"Reference your telegram 22nd December - two members for the temporary Port Advisory Board were chosen as stated at a meeting of the East African Steamship Conference on 17th August and attended by ten representatives of the Union Castle, British India, Clan-Elleman-Harrison, Deutsche Ost Afrika Linie, Holland Afrika and Navigazione Libera Trestina lines. The two representatives of the Clan-Elleman-Harrison Line considered their line should be represented on the temporary Board but other representatives agreed in nominating Campbell and Cumming. In advising you further regarding course I propose to take to appoint to Statutory Board.

Governor."

2. You will be aware that apart from specially chartered vessels and a few tramp steamers - generally of foreign ownership - all the lines which regularly use the Port are in conference. It was considered advisable in the circumstances to ask the East African Steamship Conference in the first instance for their recommendations regarding nominees to represent ship-owning interests on the temporary Port Advisory Board. You will observe from the accompanying

copies

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE
LIEUTENANT COLONEL L.C.M.S. ALERY, P.C., M.P.,
SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES,
DOWNING STREET,
LONDON S.W.

Letter No. F12/368 of 17.8.27 and enclosure from The E.A. Steamship Conference.

Letter of 20.8.27 from the African Mercantile Co. Ltd.

Letter No. F.12/718 of 3.10.27 and enclosure from The E.A. Steamship Conference.

Letter No. F.13/17 of 6.10.27 from The E.A. Steamship Conference.

Letter to Mr. A. F. L. Crisp, dated 24.10.27 from the Private Secretary to His Excellency the Governor.

copies of the marginally noted correspondence, that Mr. A. M. Campbell, of the Union Castle Steamship Line, ex-Officio Chairman of the East African Steamship Conference, and Mr. J. Cumming, of the British India Steam Navigation Company, were recommended as representative of ship-owning interests by a meeting comprising representatives of the six shipping lines which regularly use the Port of Mombasa. There seemed to me and my advisers to be no other course than to appoint these gentlemen who are both in all respects eminently desirable and suitable representatives of the interests involved.

You will I am sure agree that the appointment of Mr. A. M. Campbell, in virtue of his position and experience in shipping matters is of great value to the Harbour Advisory Board, further, to include a representative of the Clan-Erskine-Harrison Lines would mean either adopting the undesirable course of increasing the representation of ship-owning interests on the Harbour Advisory Board or of excluding the representative of the British India Steam Navigation Company, which is the Company with the largest individual interest in Mombasa shipping and whose representative, Mr. J. Cumming, is a member of the long-established firm of Smith, Mackenzie and Company which represents the Landing and Lightage Company.

3. I understand from your telegram of the 22nd December that the amending Order in Council has been promulgated and upon its receipt two courses will be open to me in making appointments, in concurrence with the advice of my Executive Council:-

(a) To make the appointments without reference to the shipping lines.

(b) To make the appointments after reference to the shipping lines.

I propose to adopt the latter course and to invite the shipping lines to meet and to make recommendations for the appointment of two members.

I am sensible of the volume of freight carried by the Clan-Ellerman-Harrison interests to the Port of Liverpool and how nearly it approximates the Union Castle-British India trade with the Port of London and I am mindful of the relationship between these two lines and the amalgamated Wharfrage and Lighterage Companies, but I may state that I have no reason to suppose that the same recommendations will not be made for appointments to the statutory Board.

4. An alternative of increasing the shipowning interests on the Board which would possibly secure representation of other lines I cannot recommend, for any change in the constitution of the Port Advisory Board as now accepted would certainly lead to demands

for increased representation from
other interests.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient, humble servant,

Edward Glegg

GOVERNOE.

THE UNION-CASTLE MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY LIMITED.

MEMBERS.

17th August, 1927.

Sir, No. 712/303.

Sir,

Temporary Port Advisory Board.

We have the honour to inform you that your letters of 2nd and 5th instant received the attention of this Conference at a meeting held today and we are to advise you that this Conference favours the election of Mr. A.M. Campbell, of the Union-Castle M.S.S. Co., Ltd., and Mr. J. Cumming, of Messrs. Smith Maclean & Co. to act on this Board as successors to Mr. Frude and Mr. Uim.

We are, however, requested to pass to you the enclosed copy of a letter received from the African Mercantile Co., who are agents for several lines of steamers calling at this port.

We have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servants,

THE UNION-CASTLE MAIL STEAMSHIP CO., LTD.

Members Agency,

Ed. H.V.D. Frude,

Secretary.

The East African Steamship Conference.

The Hon. The Acting Colonial Secretary.

P.O. Box 621.

NAIROBI.

STEAMSHIP AGENCY.

110.

MOMBASA, 5th August, 27.

The Union Castle Mail Steamship Co., Ltd.,
 Secretaries to the East Africa Steamship Conference,
 MOMBASA.

Dear Sirs,

THE PORT ADVISORY BOARD.

We thank you for your letter dated 5th August with which you enclosed a copy of a letter received from the Acting Colonial Secretary.

The nominations of Mr. Frude to the New Port Advisory Board gave us much pleasure; he has had a long and deep interest in this Port, and has done much for the interests of Mombasa.

However, in view of the enormous interest which this Company has in the shipping of Mombasa as Agents for the Clan Line, the Harrison Line, the Hall Line, the Bucknall Line, the Houston Line, etc. (an idea of this deep interest can be seen by a glance at page 43 of the Trade Returns of this country) we think that without doubt the name of Mr. A. W. Crisp should be submitted to the Acting Colonial Secretary as a nominee in succession to Mr. Frude.

Mr. Crisp is due to return to this country, from leave in England, during September.

The English Cargo carrying Steamship lines are of such great importance to this country that we press very strongly our recommendation of Mr. Crisp as a nominee in order that the above Steamship Companies can be adequately represented on the Port Advisory Board.

We shall be much obliged, if, when sending your recommendations forward to the Colonial Secretary, you would also kindly send a copy of this letter.

Yours, dear Sirs,

Yours faithfully,

THE AFRICAN MERCHANTS COMPANY LIMITED,
 Ed. L. M. TINKLER.

COPY.
THE AFRICAN MERCANTILE COMPANY, LIMITED.

SHIPPING AGENCY.

P.O. Box 110

KOMBASA

20th August, 1927.

The Honourable,
The Colonial Secretary,
NAIROBI.

Sir,

PORT ADVISORY BOARD.

Copies of your letters addressed to the Steamship Conference in Kombasa have been shown to us, and we have been present at the Conference Meetings when the question of representatives of steamship Owners on the Port Advisory Board has been discussed. At the last meeting of our Conference the names to be submitted to His Excellency, to fill the vacancies which will be caused by the early retirement of Mr. Sim and Frudd have been submitted to you by the Conference Secretaries.

You will see that we were of the opinion that the name of Mr. A. P. M. Crisp should be submitted to you, Sir, in view of the enormous interest which this Company has in Kombasa shipping.

Mr. Crisp is the General Manager of this Company. We are Agents for the Glen Line, Harrison Line, Hall Line, Bucknall Line, the Houston Line and the Osaka Shosen Kaisha. From a glance at page 43 of the Trade Returns of this country will be seen the very great association the above Lines have with this country and Uganda. Mr. Crisp has had fourteen years experience of Zanzibar and Kombasa, and has, of course, the absolute confidence of the Steamship Companies named above. The cargo-carrying Liners are of such great importance to this country, that we feel they should be directly represented on the Port Advisory Board.

It will be of interest for you to know that none of the above Lines has any interest whatsoever, direct or indirect, with any Stevedoring or Lighterage Companies in this country, and Mr. Crisp himself, is not in any way associated with the Kenya Landing and Shipping Co. Ltd. who are Contractors to the Government.

Lastly, the two names that have been submitted to you are both representatives of London Lines, and we do feel that it will be adding value to the composition of the Board if the Liverpool Steamship Companies referred to above are directly represented.

We are,

Yours faithfully,

Sd. J
DEPUTY GENERAL MANAGER.

Copy to the Hon. Commissioner of Customs, Kombasa.

THE UNION CASTLE MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY LIMITED,

KOMBASA.

3rd October, 1927.

F.12.718.

Sir,

For the information of His Excellency in dealing with the question of successors to Messrs. H.W.D. Frudd and W.A.M. Sim on the Port Advisory Board we have the honour to hand you herewith a copy of the Minute recording the recommendation of the Steamship Lines in Conference together with copy of our letter and enclosure of 17th August to the Hon. Acting Colonial Secretary.

As you will observe, all Lines were represented at the meeting referred to.

The representatives of the Clan-Ellerman-Harrison Lines were the only dissentients to the resolution.

We have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servants,

FOR THE UNION CASTLE MAIL STEAMSHIP
LIMITED, KOMBASA.
Sd. ALSC H. CAMPBELL,

Secretary,

East African Steamship Conference

The Private Secretary

to H.E. The Governor of Kenya,

NAIROBI.

EAST AFRICAN STEAMSHIP CONFERENCE.

Minutes of meeting held in the Offices of
The Union-Castle Mail Steamship Co. Ltd., Kilindini, at
10 a.m. on 17th August, 1927.

Present. Mr. H. W. D. Frudd. Union-Castle Co. (Chairman)
Mr. H. Coombs
Mr. W. A. M. Sim. British-India Line.
Mr. S. H. Sawyer. - do -
Mr. L. W. Keaton. Clan-Ellerman-Harrison Lines.
Mr. L. W. Finkler. - do -
Mr. F. Hulff. Deutsche Ost Afrika Linie
Mr. S. Beck. Holland Afrika Linie
Mr. J. T. Holloy. - do -
Mr. M. Baitaneo. Navigazione Libera Triestina.

MINUTE No. 364.

TEMPORARY PORT ADVISORY BOARD.

Agreed to nominate Messrs. Campbell and
Cunning to succeed Messrs. Frudd and Sim.
The Clan-Ellerman-Harrison Line representatives
expressed the opinion that their Line should
be represented.

COPY.

THE UNION CASTLE MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY LIMITED.

Mombasa.

6th October, 1927.

Ref. P.13/17

Sir,

We have the honour to refer to our letter
V.12/718 dated 3rd instant and to state we should
have mentioned therein that Mr. Campbell, as
Representative of the Union-Castle Line, is ex officio
Chairman of the East African Steamship Conference in Mombasa.

We have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servants,

FOR THE UNION CASTLE MAIL STEAMSHIP
COMPANY LIMITED.

Mombasa Agency.
Ed. KLEO M. CAMPBELL.

Secretaries,
East African Steamship Conference.

The Private Secretary

to H.E. The Governor of Kenya,

NAIROBI.

20th October, 1927.

Dear Mr. Crisp,

I am writing to you on His Excellency's instruction about the membership of the Port Advisory Board.

His Excellency had anticipated that he would have the opportunity of seeing you again on this subject and believed that you were coming up to Nairobi shortly.

For various reasons it has become imperative to make the appointment of the board immediately, and as His Excellency informed you that he would see you again before making the appointment, I am writing to tell you that after further careful consideration H.E. has appointed as members, to represent the shipping interest, Mr. Cuming and Mr. Campbell.

His Excellency hopes that you will understand the position, and he regrets that he did not have the opportunity of seeing you again beforehand.

Yours sincerely,

Sd. E.A.T. DUTTON,
Major,
PRIVATE SECRETARY.

Mr. A. F. M. Crisp,
MOMBASA.



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COMMISSIONER
FOR TRANSPORT

OFFICE OF THE HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR TRANSPORT,
GOVERNMENT HOUSE, NAIROBI,
KENYA

NO. 177

RECEIVED
14 JAN 1928
POST OFFICE

2 December 1927

Sir,

I have the honour to refer to telegram No. 359 from the Governor of Kenya dated 18th November and preceding correspondence on the question of the terms of an Order in Council to amend the Kenya and Uganda (Transport) Order in Council 1925.

In accordance with the terms of the proposed Order in Council a Port Advisory Board will be appointed and the High Commissioner may make and when made may vary or revoke regulations prescribing the fees and expenses which may be paid or allowed to Members of the Port Advisory Board.

In consultation with the General Manager I have given consideration to the remuneration which would be suitable for the Members of the Port Advisory Board and I propose the following remuneration to the Chairman and Members of the Port Advisory Board with effect from the 22nd August 1927, the date on which the first meeting was held.

- A. A non-pensionable allowance at the rate of £100 per annum to the Chairman, and
- B. A fee of One Guinea a day to Members of the Board on every day on which a meeting is held, together with

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THE RIGHT HONOURABLE
LIEUTENANT COLONEL L.C.M.S. AMERY, M.P.
SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES
DOWNING STREET, S.W.1.

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3. ...availing allowance for those Members who have to leave their normal place of abode to attend meetings of the Board at the rate of 30/- a day, this amount being the amount of Travel Allowance which Members of the Railway Council now draw.

4. I propose to differentiate between the remuneration of Members of the Port Advisory Board and that of Members of the Railway Council as their work is essentially different. The Railway Council meets, probably five or six times a year in different places, a meeting on some occasions taking three or four days; the Port Advisory Board on the other hand holds frequent meetings always in Mombasa and the average since the constitution of the Board has been nearly once a week, an average that is likely to continue for some time until conditions are settled. The Chairman is the Commissioner of Customs who presides at all these meetings and in addition to taking the Chair at the meetings he must necessarily perform a considerable amount of work in connection with Port matters in between meetings. This work must be closely connected with that of the Customs Department especially if the system of ad valorem charges is adopted at the Port which seems probable. For these reasons it seems to me suitable that a permanent allowance should be sanctioned for the Chairman.

I refer the recommendation for a definite allowance of £100 a year to the Chairman of the Port Advisory Board for your sanction in accordance with Paragraph 247 of the Colonial Regulations and I trust that this sanction may not be withheld.

5. I have consulted the Governments of both Kenya and Uganda on this question of allowances to the Chairman

and

and Members of the Port Advisory Board and they both
concur in my proposals.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient,

humble servant,

A. H. Bell

HIGH COMMISSIONER.

COLONIAL OFFICE

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Telegram from the Governor of Kenya to the Secretary of State for the Colonies.

Dated 9th January, 1923.

(Received Colonial Office 3.45 P.M. 9th January, 1923.)

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8th January.

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Your telegram of 22nd December, two for temporary Port Advisory Board were chosen as stated at a meeting of East African Steamship Conference on 17th August and attended by ten representatives of the Union Castle, British India, Clan, Ellerman, Harrison, Deutsch East African, Holland African and Navigazioni Libera Trestina lines. The two representatives of the Clan line considered that their line should be represented on the temporary board but other representatives agreed in nominating Campbell and Cumming.

I am advising you further regarding the course propose to take to appoint to the Statutory Board.