

1928

*Kenya*

No. *15077*

SUBJECT:

*CO 533/376*

*The contract of Janze  
per Raymond de Trafford* }

*prohibition of re-entry into  
Kenya*

Previous

*[Handwritten mark]*

Subsequent

*158357/29*

Gov. Kenya Feb 22 — 110 Feb 28  
reports action taken in case of the Comrade  
Jagan who has been allowed a month's leave  
to settle his affairs, and suggests De Trafford  
be warned not to attempt to enter the colony

Mr. [unclear]

The reference at the beginning of the  
message is puzzling. Reporters have put  
up after which serial 4100/24, which  
dated 24 Feb 1954  
contains a telegram about the passport of an  
unfortunate Indian. But I do not think that  
telegram has any connection with this case.  
The words "your telegram" in the heading etc.  
are probably inserted in error.

I think this information  
is that the [unclear]  
and that the  
[unclear] [unclear]  
has the [unclear]  
[unclear] [unclear]

We have no papers about the Comrade  
de Trafford, but I will be  
recalled that last March, while the  
pair were saying farewell to each other at  
the Gare du Nord Paris, the Comrade's [unclear] the  
gentleman of [unclear] [unclear] [unclear] [unclear]  
[unclear] [unclear] [unclear] [unclear]

The Gov is apparently satisfied as  
to the action taken regarding the Comrade  
who has been again deemed a prohibited  
immigrant under Sect. 5 (d) of the  
Ordinance (Cap. 62, p. 634, Vol. 1 of the R.O.L.)  
because  
(1) she has been admitted [unclear] [unclear]  
for [unclear] [unclear] [unclear] [unclear] [unclear]  
[unclear] [unclear] [unclear] [unclear] [unclear]  
[unclear] [unclear] [unclear] [unclear] [unclear]

It appears that there is no such

100  
PUBLIC RECORD OFFICE, LONDON

\* That is to say  
resumes in little  
chapters, before which  
he has the possibility  
of the case in any  
100?

Sentence in the case of Madeiraford but  
the Gov. wants to have Sect. 578  
decide her as an undesirable immigrant  
"in consequence of information received  
from any secretary of state or  
consular minister, or through diplomatic  
channels or any minister of a foreign  
country, or from any other trusted source  
to the Gov. does not indicate that he  
has any such information or wishes from  
any other source, it would appear that  
he wishes the S. J. S. to produce some if  
possible. Whether this might be best or  
not could only be decided if we  
knew more about them. It looks as  
though we ought to try to get hold of  
the records of the case.

? send copy of this let. to F.O.  
enclosing also copy of the Immigration  
Div. and [S. J. S.] that before considering  
the let. S. J. S. thinks it desirable that  
if possible he should obtain some info  
on to the proceedings in the *Gen de Cant*  
referred to, & ask whether P.O. think  
that a request can properly be made  
to the French Gov. to be furnished with a  
copy of the records of the case. It will  
cause such a request to be made.

A. Hughes said perhaps see. 870 J. 2. 1/17/35

Instead of that I think  
it would be better to find  
the report in the  
Imm. Div. reference to  
his records of the  
proceedings in the  
Madr. case.

Some days if it was possible - to  
have from the Embassy or from a  
concise statement about the case  
showing what (if anything) there is  
against the man

§ 5 (1) is not meant to be  
used lightly - or at present I don't  
see any grounds for suspecting

W.C. G.P.

I agree with Mr. Bushe, we  
should get the facts first however we  
propose

W.C. G.P.  
8/2/25

6 months in p.  
"but benefits of  
the 1st of Jan  
1925" and p.

The Times (Aug. 27, p. 7) is  
wrong. It states the case is not  
spolia in jure pona - a pona, a  
disputed matter. If that is all  
Kling must be getting particulars  
as he thinks proposes, in previous  
letter as regards *Gen de Cant*  
the de Madeira fashion & when  
Kling is "Madr."

W.C. G.P. 8.2.25

To F.O. (no. 100) 1/18/35

~~Mr. Bell~~

now ask the F.O. whether they are in a position to furnish the information desired in our letter of 10<sup>th</sup> Feb. 28

W.H.

29/2

The Bureau of hearing has the honor to produce a copy of the report which will be used at least as the first stage. Best of luck. W.H.

27.2.28 above

Mr. Barton-Lay

Discussed this last night with the Sec of State and heard what (also raised the matter with me in the first instance)

The Sec of State would like to reply to the effect that we have no information about Mrs de Stafford which would justify us in regarding her as an undesirable immigrant

29.2.28

W.H.

~~DESTROYED UNDER STATUTE~~

4  
19 Feb. 1928

3a

See Mr. Edwards' memo of 2

11th Dec. & 19.2.28 & 20.2.28

20.2.28

20.2.28

W.H.

W.H.

18/2

20.2.28

In your letter of 20.2.28

5. Gibson & Widdon 19 March 28  
Suggests question of deportation be left in abeyance until further facts are received from Kenya

reply that the matter is dealt primarily by me for the Govt. own discretion, but that it is still under consideration & no final decision has yet been reached

(Edmond)

1928

(Please see reproduction of the file on Indian when the H. Govt. was immediately immediately as I told him to write in to the office)

reply that the H. Govt. is already in the hands with the Govt. on the subject of that & that the H. Govt. will have other in the course of the H. Govt. 13/3/28

The S.A.S. has not raised directly  
with the Governor the question of delaying  
the lady's deportation, but has only put  
the question of confinement, the other matter  
being only incidentally.

If tel. for cons. beneath  
if wishes it is allowed, we  
should tell the ad. that their  
request has been tel. to the Gov.

R. Wilson  
13.3.28

I am tel. at all times that  
the charges tel. will be  
heard of the King's O.C. &  
is it a free pardon?

Send off tel. and write  
to the Solicitor. Let S.D. Cohen  
an offer action is complete.

Wed. 13.3.28

atone

6 Tel. to Gov. cons. — 13th March 1928

DESTROYED UNDER STATUTE 14th March 1928  
Requests reply to their letter of the 9th March '28

Been  
15.3.28

D.H. cons.

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W. M. C.

DESTROYED UNDER STATUTE 16th  
Weldon (nos 5 & 7) 16 MAR 1928

9  
Gov. cons. tel. to \_\_\_\_\_ 23 March 1928  
Subject cons. D. State but Mrs. Stone's case remain  
Prohibited immigrant son of her conviction & escape

now so letter to the Minister of Cons.

Manning for P. S. ...

Say that a tel. has been recd.  
Gov. substance of para. ... Gov.  
was in reason to notify ...  
decision that this is a matter  
which Gov. must leave to Gov's  
discretion & that he expects that  
he is therefore unable to advise.  
Promise a further communication  
as to cost.

(As to this I think she should  
be asked to pay for the 1st page  
of this tel. as well as for ...)

Also I should like to inform ...  
if ... should say a tel. has  
been recd. stating as at A & all

C.O. 533  
376  
ALL WITHOUT PERMISSION OF THE  
PUBLIC RECORD OFFICE, LONDON

as at B. above.

Easton

Acct. Branch to see

at X of  
approval

Notes on action  
taken accordingly

Notes on 29/3/28

24/3

[I agree to X of draft as to  
agencies]

Sir S. Wilson

I think the view that we must  
leave the matter all for  
discretion is right.

Action is proposed? - then  
let the people see we don't  
expect the Shipley to sign A and  
possibly also the question of the  
"assurance" to his Solicitors  
appears to have changed for  
Solicitors

Wed 27.3.28

Dec of date

I think you had better see,  
as questions may be asked  
I think Sir L. Hoff is being a  
little bit over-zealous!  
but it is a matter that we

must leave to him to settle.

Easton

28.3.28

S/S wishes to see after return

28 September 1928

S/S wishes to see after return  
28 September 1928

10. 26. Le marquis de Bassa, Haugby - 29 March 28

11. Gibson & Weldon - 28 March 1928  
Again suggests that matter of exportation should be  
left a matter of fact

12. Foreign Office - 28 March 1928  
The copy dec. from H. Williams at Paris enclosing  
copy of judgment of Special Court

Mr. Williams speaks to me about this

He wishes a copy to go on the lines of

the way the minutes on 9

(submit of for course accordingly)

Easton

(I understand that  
Mr. Williams did not wish  
it to be kept for him as  
he is not available this  
afternoon)

29/3/28

To Gibson & Weldon (NOTARIES) 30 MAR 1928

Handwritten signature

14 Foreign Office 2 August 1928  
Finds copy letter from French Embassy  
inquiring as to the law forbidding entrance  
into Kenya of a person under sentence  
of imprisonment.

To: W.M.

(Case 634 in  
the M. volume)

The French Gov. has sent a letter  
pursuant to the clause which was by  
reason of the circumstances mentioned  
therein it is deemed to be an  
unreasonable impediment and the  
first part of the clause.

With a view to a copy of  
the Immigration Restriction Ordinance  
being sent to the French Embassy  
the note from the French Embassy  
is sent to section 5 (L.A.) of the

Ordinance is (with quite this in force)

W.M.

3/8/28

I have seen someone (possibly in  
Director's office) a proposal to amend  
section 5(b) - but it is hardly in front.

W.M.

W.M.

W.M.

2/8/28

15 To: F.O. (General) 1/3 Aug 1928

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DESTROYED UNDER SECTION 10, OFFICE 23 August 1928

Forward copy note to French Embassy regarding  
law restricting immigration into Kenya

W.M.

W.M.

24/8

at once

14 Governor telegram 25 Oct 1928  
Requests recommendation of Executive Council  
may be conveyed informally to Mrs. Selous  
Thorne

can only suggest that all documents  
should send the substance of the first  
part of this letter to Mrs. Selous-Thorne  
Perhaps the letter might be on the  
line of the one which we have  
not yet received copies of the House's  
Restriction Amendment Bill (1928) which  
passed through all its stages in the  
August session of Council.

W.M.

W.M.

Revised off-hand with W.M. 27/10/28

W.M.

25.10.28

W.M.

W.M.

but bitterly  
On this matter we act readily  
as a channel of commu-  
only. It is not clear  
from our files that the  
Silvertown is still desisting  
to go back to work but  
if the Gov has another  
fall we must assume  
that there is good reason  
to pursue the matter

all Richardson  
25.10.28

Mr Edgewood  
be given material that  
you like, but do not say anything

dated 29.10.28

18 To Mrs. Silvertown 29.10.28

19 To Gov. 800-17 Ann. - 29.10.28

1 NOV 1928

20 Gibson & Alden 31 Oct. 1928  
notes to be put into communication with  
Mr W.C. Nuggard, KC in connection with  
Mrs Silvertown's return to Kenya

copy to the letter files Silvertown  
copy to the letter files Silvertown  
matter is not to be sent to  
Silvertown's return to Kenya

interference with the Director & the Col. &  
that in the cases he does not care  
but my receipt papers need to be sent  
The Director should be written  
secret - Mr Allen (26.10.28) 5  
silvertown  
D/11/28  
silvertown  
referred

I suppose that is what you  
will wish to do - what I saw to do  
the other day, when we were discussing this  
I think if there is a free person the Gov  
are taking a very large hand. One of our  
arrangements to the Gov. to pay the least  
A.B. of 11

Having over the letter of 29.10.28  
Mrs Silvertown's case as  
"alternative" to the action  
proposed by Mr Allen

all Richardson

[Mr Nuggard has seen all the  
cases - ~~silvertown~~ he himself we are  
have advised the Governor to take  
the action we are taking.  
Mr Nuggard says we feel that  
he is in a position to see  
the Silvertown on the subject, as  
being most of Kenya he is  
functioning in the Gov. being  
being] all  
As Mr Allen papers  
last 2.11.28



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To Gibson & Weldon  
(20. cust. w copy of 18)

3 NOV 1928

22

Governor Seligman 3 Nov 1928

States telegram received from Mrs. Seligman  
regarding her free pardon. Is advising  
her to get into touch with C.O.

~~has been advised to write~~

~~has been advised to write~~

But in spite of the letter to her I  
d am afraid is not finished  
with it

3 parts

written

5/11/28

Clearly no action required  
unless you think it desirable  
to inf. Gov. by telegraph 17/11  
17 & 22. That personal letter  
was sent to Mrs. Seligman  
on 19. Persons as is X of  
the TP. (No 18)

Acceptance

5/11/28

That necessary. He will get the copy  
before the effect of his reference  
after to us has been H

Putty used.

5/11/28

written

KA

21 To Gibson & Weldon  
(20 Aug. as copy of 18)

3 NOV 1928

22 Governor Seligman 3 Nov 1928

State telegram received from Mrs. Silverthorn  
regarding her free pardon. Is advising  
her to get into touch with C.O.

~~XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~  
~~XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~  
But in spite of the letter to her I  
I am afraid were not finished  
with it

? put

written

5/11/28

Clearly No action required  
unless you think it desirable  
to inf. Gov. by telegraph ref.  
17 & 22 with personal letter  
was sent to Mrs. Silverthorn  
on 24 October as is X of  
the 70. (No. 18)

acknowledgment

5/11/28

Not necessary. He will get the info  
before the effect of his reference  
after to us has come to

Putty used

5-11-28

written

KA

9  
22  
1507/28K  
TELEGRAM from the Governor of Kenya to the Secretary of State for the Colonies.

(Dated 3rd November. Received Colonial Office 9.30 a.m. 3rd November, 1928.)

294. 3rd November.

*h. M.* My telegram of 20th October

Following telegram has been received from Mrs. Silverthorne Paris "My frat pardon has been granted signed by the President 5th October". I am advising Mrs. Silverthorne to get into touch with the Colonial Office on the subject.

X 15077/28 Kemp

- Mr. Entwood 3/10
- Mr. Brown 7/11
- Mr. Mansfield
- Mr. Bottomley
- Mr. P. Harpell
- Mr. J. Smith
- Mr. C. Grenell
- Mr. C. Davis
- Mr. S. Wilson
- Mr. O. G. G. G.
- Lord Lovat
- Mr. Amery

NOV

3 Nov 1928

Gentlemen

**DRAFT**

Dear Sirs

I am in touch with the rest of the letter of Mr B.

of the 31st Oct. regarding

the case of Mrs. Sitwell and

to be made from the date of 24th Oct

2 copies of the letter of the 24th Oct.

Mr. Mansfield

Mr. Brown

Mr. O. G. G. G.

Mr. C. Davis

Mr. S. Wilson

Mr. P. Harpell

Mr. J. Smith

Mr. C. Grenell

29/10/28  
to Mr. Sitwell  
29/10/28

that, even in the event of her recovery, a free pardon be granted to the late Mr. P. Harpell.

What Mr. S. W. Moore and wife

are doing to the

to a term to the colony

matter is, in fact, in which

the S. W. Moore and wife

to interpret any the discussion

of the Edward God, etc.,

to the end of, he does not

consider that any useful purpose

it be served by the discussion

which he has just suggested.

I am  
Yours truly,  
Chas. L. Breckinridge

~~What Mr. S. has written is not~~

~~correct in any case the~~

~~to be taken to the contrary the~~

matter is not one in which

the S. of S. can feel disposed

to interfere with the decision

of the Editorial Staff, & if

there is any one who does not

entirely share any useful purpose

it is to be served by the discussion

which ~~is~~ you suggest.

I am

Yours  
Chas. L. B. Freeston

GIBSON & WELDON  
SOLICITORS

11  
20

27, CHANCERY LANE

LONDON  
W.C.2

RECEIVED  
COLLECTIVE

31st October 1928

RECEIVED  
31st OCT 1928

to Mrs. Silverthorne, 15077/9.

You will recollect that we had some correspondence with you with regard to this matter in March of this year. We now hear from Mrs. Silverthorne that a first pardon was granted to her on the 5th October by the French Authorities, and no doubt she is anxious now to obtain facilities for return to Kenya Colony. We understand that the Attorney-General, Mr. W. C. Huggard, K.C. is at present in England, and we should very much like to see him and, if necessary, a representative of the Colonial Office, and discuss the position and, if necessary, we would arrange for Mr. Schwartz of the Firm of Messrs. Shapley & Schwartz of Nairobi, our Professional Clients, to be present at such interview, as he is now in England.

May we ask as a preliminary step, that you will be good enough to put us into communication with Mr. Huggard?

We are, Sir,

Your obedient Servants,

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

*Handwritten signature*

*3 NOV 1928*  
*Handwritten notes and scribbles*

200/128 4/10/28  
31 OCT 1928  
1/10/28

Mr. Noel 22/10/28

Mr. Bouldley 29/10/28  
Sir E. Harding

Sir J. Shuckburgh

Sir G. Grandt

Sir G. Danks

Sir S. Williams

Mr. Ormsby-Gore

Lord Lonsdale

Mr. Amey L.P.

Sir

19/10/28

DRAFT Kenya No. 800

Gen Gugg

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No. 273 of the 20th October relative to the enclosure of the draft certificate for Kenya under the Immigration Restriction Ordinance

To Mr. Silverthorn  
77/10/28

(2) I enclose for you enclosed a copy of a letter which has been sent by my Personal



Secretary. U. S. Department of Education  
at the address in Paris  
given in your letter.



(Signed) L. S. AMERY.

Secretary to the Administration  
at the address in Paris  
given in your letter

(Signed) L. S. AMERY

13  
20th October, 1928

Dear Private Secretary,

I write to ask whether you could be so good as to have the enclosed envelope more fully addressed than it is at present and have it despatched to its destination. We have no trace of the address of Messrs Morgan and Company.

The letter in the envelope relates to the question of permission being granted to the former Countess de Janzi to settle in Kenya. You have had correspondence with the Foreign Office on this subject, your reference being despatch No. 523 of the 24th March (223/4/1928).

Yours sincerely

A 9

The Private Secretary  
to His Excellency  
The British Ambassador,  
Paris.

COPY.

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From EGYPT

Decypher. Lord Lloyd. (Cairo)

April 26th 1928.

D. 2.10 p.m. April 26th 1928.

R. 2.50 p.m. April 26th 1928.

No. 239.

Khartoum telegrams Nos. 84 and 85.

Please see your despatch No. 924.

Whilst entry of purely British forces into Sudan territory is calculated to provoke comment here I consider nevertheless that permission should be accorded since

1. Request is clearly reasonable in view of Sudan government's inability to take action themselves.
2. No rectification of frontier or permanent occupation is involved.
3. Sphere of operations is so remote that action taken is unlikely to become known here.

I would not propose to make any communication to Egyptian government beforehand. Grant of permission can easily be justified should necessity arise.

Do you concur?

Addressed to Foreign Office No. 239, repeated to Khartoum.

COPY.

(J 1377/119/1)

TO EGYPT.

Code telegram to Lord Lloyd (Cairo).

Foreign Office, 30th April, 1928. 1.45 p.m.

No. 193. (R).

Your telegrams Nos. 237 to 239 (action by Kenya government in south-east corner of Sudan).

I concur. Please ask Sudan government to keep His Majesty's Legation at Addis Ababa informed.

In any further communication on this subject, please quote  
No. *104/1928*  
and address *not any person by name, but to—*  
"The Under-Secretary of State," Foreign Office, London, S.W. 1.

*See all 159*

THE Under-Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs presents his  
compliments to *the Under Secretary of State for*  
*the Colonies* and, by direction of the Secretary of State,  
transmits herewith copy of the under-mentioned paper.

Foreign Office,  
*9th February, 1928*

RECEIVED  
11 FEB 1928  
COLONIES

Reference to previous correspondence

Foreign Office letter

No. *9* of *25th/104/1* of *15th October, 1927.*  
Description of Enclosure.

*10254/27*

No. *10254/27*

Name and Date.	Subject.
<i>High Commissioner at Cairo No. 80 of 28th Jan</i>	<i>Situation on Sudan-Kenya Uganda frontier</i>

*Copy sent to / enclosures 6*

*For Kenya / Copy*

*10254/27*

Similar letter sent to

*10254/1928/125 (5)*

No. 60.  
(7693/60).

THE RESIDENCY,  
CAIRO.  
28th January 1928.

Sir,

With reference to Mr. Henderson's despatch No. 608 of September 28th, relative to the situation on the Sudan-Kenya-Uganda frontier, I have the honour to transmit to you herewith a copy of a despatch from the Governor-General of the Sudan informing me that Kapseta has been finally selected as the most suitable place for both the administrative and military headquarters in the Toposa area.

I have the honour to be,  
With the highest respect,

Sir,

Your most obedient, humble servant,

(Signed) LLOYD

HIGH COMMISSIONER.

The Right Honourable  
Sir Austen Chamberlain, K.O.,

— 2122 — 2122 — 2122 —

KHARTOUM,

21st January 1928.

b1  
END

My Lord,

I have the honour to refer to Mr. Davidson's despatch No. 158 of 20th September 1927 relating to the situation on the Sudan-Kenya-Uganda frontier, and to inform Your Lordship that Kapoeta has been finally selected as the most suitable place for both the administrative and military headquarters in the Kapoeta area.

2. Your Lordship will recollect that at the Conference, held at the Foreign Office on 30th July 1925 to discuss this question, the Sudan Government undertook to consider the possibility of moving Sudan Defence Force troops into the neighbourhood of IOLLEH (30 miles East of Kapoeta) in order to cover that part of the Kapoeta area.

Under the present distribution of troops it will not be possible for a post to be stationed at IOLLEH but periodical patrols will be sent out from Kapoeta, which should secure the effect desired.

I have the honour to be,

My Lord,

Your Lordship's most obedient, humble servant,

J. R. Maffey  
GOVERNOR-GENERAL OF THE SUDAN.

His Excellency,  
His Majesty's High Commissioner  
for Egypt and the Sudan,  
The British Legation,  
Cairo.



KHARTOUM,

21st January 1928.

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END

My Lord,

I have the honour to refer to Mr. Davidson's despatch No. 158 of 20th September 1927 relating to the situation on the Sudan-Kenya-Uganda frontier, and to inform Your Lordship that Kapoeta has been finally selected as the most suitable place for both the administrative and military headquarters in the Tpoosa Area.

3. Your Lordship will recollect that at the Conference, held at the Foreign Office on 30th July 1925 to discuss this question, the Sudan Government undertook to consider the possibility of moving Sudan Defence Force troops into the neighbourhood of IOLLEI (50 miles East of Kapoeta) in order to cover that part of the Tpoosa Arch.

Under the present distribution of troops it will not be possible for a post to be stationed at IOLLEI but periodical patrols will be sent out from Kapoeta, which should secure the effect desired.

I have the honour to be,

My Lord,

Your Lordship's most obedient, humble servant,

*J. C. Maffey*  
GOVERNOR-GENERAL OF THE SUDAN.

His Excellency,  
His Majesty's High Commissioner  
for Egypt and the Sudan.

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