

1929

Kenya

No.

13414

SUBJECT

CO 533/388

Consulate at Moga

Previous

15142/28

Subsequent

16103/30

1. ACTING GOVERNOR Conf. 45. 9 APRIL, 1929.  
Reports having sanctioned Mr. Selden's proceeding  
on leave in July. Is not prepared to support  
the view that post justifies cost of its retention  
but if not, it is possible that Major A.T. Miles  
may return to the post.

Mr. Allen

A somewhat similar proposal has recently  
been put forward by the Governor of Somaliland  
that the Consulates at present maintained at  
Jigjiga and Harrah should be abolished, largely in  
the interests of economy. We are at present  
awaiting the views of the Foreign Office in regard  
to this.

? The first action seems to be to refer  
this despatch to the Foreign Office asking for an  
expression of their views on what the Acting  
Governor proposes. They may have received by now  
the views of Mr. Dunbar from Addis Ababa.

*Three*  
11/5/29

Mr. Bottomley had some conversation with  
Sir E. Grigg about this, and it is recorded below  
No. 11 on 15142/28.

After speaking to you I submit for conso.  
a draft of a letter to Sir E. Grigg to be signed by  
Mr. Bottomley.

*Bottomley*

*31/5/29*

*11/5/29*

*[Copy placed - file  
of Miles 5237/28]*

*2. to ...*

*3. P.T.O.*

PROVED UNDER STATUTE

Major E.A.T. Dutton (S.O.) 12 June 29  
his Lt. Grigg would like opportunity  
of discussing with Mr. Bottomley at a  
time when Mr. Hall, can be present.

4. Old Telegram Conf. 12 15 June  
Helen sails 3 August requires as to bills  
returning. no other relief possible copy  
being sent to the charge d'affaires under  
date

This was discussed yesterday  
with Mr. E. Grigg.  
As to Onaji, it was generally  
agreed that the Consulate was  
doing very useful work at  
present as action required.

As to beqa I was felt  
that the consulate was to  
retained provisionally &  
Mr. E. Grigg said that he  
is in major order as to  
his returning to beqa.

of going back as  
to the Government  
at a ~~short~~ short interval  
from 20th to 25th he was  
referred to Mr. E. Grigg  
as indicated in the view  
that beqa was to be better  
to have an officer ~~in~~ in  
at 20, 5 October - of  
the necessity of being made  
at 1st of Sunday at 20.

Abela - but it was pointed out 3  
that other British consulates in  
Abyssinia did useful work  
without the trials - Monday success  
course for special mission.

D. H. Bevill consul  
- All Parsons

19.6.29  
19 June 29

5. Feb 15 for

Copies of Nos. 5 & 7  
attached to file  
of Major Miles  
copy in  
for 1929

147  
19.6.29  
24  
Lt. Edward Gigg  
(in copies 4, 5 & 6)  
was well.

8. Note of interview with Mr. E. Grigg as  
to major bills proceeding to beqa as usual  
if found necessary.

Original of 1929 in major order file 1234

Mr. Parsons

Nothing to be done till 10.10.29

Mr. Gigg

Not in this file - but in  
8237 SA - not will be needed  
60002 - as visible acct

has a file  
by No. 1  
on the 16  
H.H.

G.P.T.O.

19.7.29  
ad mce

17. circulation  
with Mr. Seldon

9 Foreign Office 3 July 1929  
The copy sent from Mr. Chang d'Affaires,  
Addis Ababa, agrees with CO decision

10 O'Leary Telegram 15 July 1929  
Thinks best course will be to continue the  
redeployment of Administrative officers, in  
event extra loads will be required.  
Will be necessary to close Consulate Mr.  
Seldon's departure

The position on the Mogale Consulate  
is now as follows:-

Kenya Govt. consider it unnecessary  
to station the consulate either for  
political or admin<sup>n</sup> reasons, there  
being a Govt. station with 2  
ad<sup>n</sup> offices 50-60 miles away  
at Mogale.

Mr. Seldon at Addis Ababa  
agrees that Mogale consulate  
is no longer required

CO in discussion with Sir G. Gigg  
took the view that the consulate  
had been useful in the  
of trade & should be retained,  
temporarily at 1000/- rate, until  
settled for the future of the U.K.P.  
is finally determined

20. Despite views of Mr. Gigg  
at Addis Ababa, agree with  
CO views.

~~There is no objection to the~~ 4

apart from the q<sup>n</sup> whether or  
not the consulate can be retained,  
there is the difficulty of personnel  
The major problem is to  
give up a D.C. duty to assume  
duty at Mogale, the post  
must be kept vacant,  
when Mr. Seldon comes on  
leave - in fact it must be  
vacant at this moment

I am rather coming round  
to the view that we could do  
without the post provided  
that Mogale is retained  
as an admin<sup>n</sup> station.

He promised a further  
to deal in Mr. Gigg's case  
case No 10 had better be  
reconsidered.

Yours faithfully  
R. P. S. Wilson

[There will probably be a  
'pool' of extra staff. In the  
case we need not worry about  
the additional staff.]

Sir S. Wilson  
As Sir S. Gigg may mention this to you,  
and also in view of the conflict of opinion, I need



send this on. A good Council of  
Praga can see a valuable influence  
in a good Abyssinian journal and  
in the old newspaper which (in  
best circumstances) is a good  
sample, which journal.

W.C.B.  
19.7.29

St. A.  
ata

19.7.29

11 Tel. to Dely. (ho 10 in hand) - 22 July 1929

to Mr. G. B. G. G. G. G. G. G.  
(info 10 4 11)

13 to Mr. G. B. G. G. G. G. G.  
1929

Nothing received from previous.

14 to Mr. G. B. G. G. G. G. G. G.  
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At Clifton

Concurs with the views expressed by H.E.M.'s  
Minister at Addis Ababa and the Senior Commr. of  
the N.F.P. that it is advisable to retain a  
Consulate in Southern Abyssinia for the present,  
and suggests that the Consulate be re-established  
at a point further East, in the Libin area.

Mr. M. G. G.

The reference to the views of H.M.O  
Munroe at Addis Ababa is odd as  
in the event to No. 1 Mr. Dunbar  
expressed the view that a Consulate  
was not necessary there, as F.O  
are on the side of Addis, so  
the point is not of great importance

An account of a  
Kew's was they  
was making up  
to the British  
Exp

The proposal to alter the location  
of an consulate is a new one. The  
idea has mentioned is presumably  
as seen as shown in my letters and  
the accompanying map do not see  
how we can usefully examine here  
on the west side as to a site  
and we shall have to see  
the suggestion of the F.O. on  
communication to the Government  
then a way of the map and  
circle are to see how we  
to the minister's opinion  
Dunbar was

Send a & o.  
add to F.O.  
as well  
with the  
+ Clifton  
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It is really desirable to  
retain a consulate in the Libin  
area since the Libin area  
should not have a consulate

In view of Major Miles's recent  
serious illness, it would appear  
to be very doubtful whether he  
would ever be fit for life in  
Southern Abyssinia. But? this  
point can wait for the  
moment

Ch. Cliffe

Apparently there has been no one at  
Mega since Dr. Seldan came away.

It would simply sound best to  
ask for their views  
they may be unwilling to  
change or  
more a little to the Abyssinians  
for I would not begin by  
asking them to do so!

Ch. Cliffe  
2/2/30

to F.O. (w/c 14) Coms  
of Murray -- S.O.

Trs statement on account of the Mega  
Consulate for interpreter's services -  
29 - 6 - 11.

Mr. Massey

He submitted, after opening 6/29

Ch. Cliffe

23/1/30

Thanks

Edm. Massey

28/1/30

at once

18 Col Sir F. S. A. Buller (F.O.)  
(w/c 17) such in orig)

S.O. 27 JAN 1930

Sir, F. G. A. Setler, s/o. . . . . 6th, Feb 30.

~~DESTROYED UNDER STATUTE~~  
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should be sent  
to G.D.

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part of  
(Edm. Massey)

12/2/30

see 2/2/30

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dealing with the Ethiopian  
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ask for such news  
daily may be unwise &  
change of  
course or  
policy to the Abyssinians  
but I will not begin to  
recommend to do so!

Quack

all

2/30

To: (w/c 14) Cons  
Murray - S.O.

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Foreign Office. .... 31st. Dec. 29.

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yes if no response on all  
dealing with the other claim -  
Rome - 2/19 P. 30

Quack

22/30

Quack 2/20  
advance

Go - within 2 days  
later on 20-30 of the  
- 14/2

Mr. Eastwood

? remind F.O. re 116.15  
re

W. Neeldam  
29/3/20

They are probably referring to  
Add. A.

B. U. 1<sup>st</sup> June

Notes

G. Eastwood

29/3/20

(X/8344/440/501)

RECEIVED  
30/12/1929  
COL. OFFICE

Foreign Office, S.W.1.

31st December 1929.

Sir,

I am directed by the Secretary of State to transmit to you, to be laid before the Secretary of State for the Colonies, the annexed Statement, supported as far as possible by Vouchers, of Sums paid by this Office for Services chargeable to the Votes administered by your Department; and I am to request that the necessary directions may be given for the transfer of the Sum of

£28.15.2.      twenty eight pounds fifteen shillings and two pence to the Credit of the Vote for Diplomatic and Consular Services (Diplomatic) at the Office of His Majesty's Paymaster-General

I am,

Your obedient Servant,

G. A. Barker.

The Under-Secretary of State,  
Colonial Office.

STATION	Service.	Amount.	Observations
September Quarter 1929.			
Addis Ababa	Advance	9.6.11	
Rome	Publications	<u>19.8. 3</u>	Voucher annexed
		28.15.2.	<i>hys</i> 60.50 <i>hys</i>

C. O.

18 X 15717/29  
KENYA

Mr. Clegg 23.1.30.

Mr. Mackay 23/1/30 f

Mr. Balfour

Sir J. Shackleton

Sir G. Grindle

Permt. U.S. of S.

Partly U.S. of S.

Secretary of State



27 January 1930.

**DRAFT.**

for my ✓ 1/5 ✓ 1/10 ✓

My dear Butler,

May I trouble you

Sir F. G. A. Butler,

K. C. M. & C. B.

with the enclosed

Foreign Office

claim which you sent

us in respect of the

expenses of the Mega

Committee?

How F.O. 31/12/29 ✓ (original)  
Enclosure ✓

We have never before

received a similar

claim <sup>here</sup> and we have,

of course no means

of checking it <sup>at this end</sup>

All we could possibly

do would be to send

it out to the Kenya

Government <sup>for their share</sup> and this

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from F.O. 31.12.29 ✓  
E. H. ...  
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C. O.

Mr. Chappin 13.1.30  
Mr. Murray 13.1.30  
Mr.

- Mr. Bottomley.
- Sir J. Shuckburgh.
- Sir G. Grindle.
- Permt. U.S. of S.
- Parly. U.S. of S.
- Secretary of State.

~~Copy~~

13 January 1930

DRAFT. s.o. for Mr. Murray

J. Murray Esq. C.A.G.

My dear Murray

We are sending you  
officially a copy of  
a despatch from Kenya  
dated the 14th November  
about the question of  
returning a Consulate  
in Southern Abyssinia  
You will see that  
in the first part  
of that despatch the  
Govt says that the  
concessions with the  
view expressed by  
the British Ministry  
Minister at Addis

25/11

C. Q.

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Mr. Bottomley

Sir J. Shackbury

Sir G. Grindle

Permt. U.S. of S.

Permt. U.S. of S.

Secretary of State

**DRAFT.**

confounding the Minister's  
 views with those of  
 your office & I do not  
 think the principle of  
 any great importance,  
 I was asked to  
 but I thought it  
 best in my explanation  
 not to mention  
 to prevent our team being  
 puzzled you by his few  
 remark.

Yours sincerely

Signed) E. G. MAOHTIG.

C. O.

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Mr. Mackay 13/1/35

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and  
No. 1 on 16/6/35

18 January 1935

DRAFT.

The U.S. of S.  
Foreign Office.

Sir,  
In reference to the  
letter from this Dept.  
No. 13 of the 25th July last,  
I am at the pleasure  
to you, to be laid before  
Mr Secretary Henderson,  
the enc copy of a  
desp. from the Gov. of  
Kings, dated the 14th  
November, 1929, regarding  
the admission of an H.M.S.  
Consulate in London  
Abyssinia.

~~From Gov. 14/11/29~~

2. Lord Pakenfield will

2/17/35



KENYA

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GOVERNMENT HOUSE

NAIROBI

KENYA

No. 698

14 November, 1929.

RECEIVED  
COL. OFFICE

My Lord,

(No. 11.)

With reference to correspondence terminating with Your Lordship's telegram dated the 22nd July, 1929, regarding the position of the Mega Consulate, I have the honour to inform Your Lordship that I have now had an opportunity of examining the question and concur with the views expressed both by His Britannic Majesty's Minister at Addis Ababa and the Senior Commissioner of the Northern Frontier Province that it is advisable to retain a Consulate in Southern Abyssinia at least for the present.

am  
F.O. 15 JUN 1930  
no.

2. Mr. Hemsted however is not satisfied, and I am inclined to agree with him, that Mega is an entirely suitable spot for the Consulate and suggests that it be re-established at a point further East, i.e., in the Libin Area of Southern Abyssinia north of the Dawa river. I shall be glad if representations to this effect may be made to the Ethiopian Government, and if I may be informed in due course in the event of their agreement in principle, whether there is any likelihood

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE LORD PASSFIELD, P.C.,  
SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES,  
DOWNING STREET,  
LONDON. S.W.1

likelihood of suitable accommodation being obtainable in that area.

5. I am sending a copy of this despatch to His Britannic Majesty's Minister at Aden.

I have the honour to be,

My Lord,

Your Lordship's most obedient, humble servant,

*Edward Gigg*

GOVERNOR.

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Mr.

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Mr. Bottomley *19.7.29*

Sir E. Harding

Sir J. Shacklough

Sir G. Grenville

Sir C. Davis

+ ~~Sir S. Wilson~~

Mr. Osmby-Gore

Lord Lunsd.

Mr. Amery

*22.7.29*

*[Handwritten signature]*

*(2)*

**DRAFT.**

Lieut Col. Sir Edmund Glegg  
Kemp memo etc etc

*To Mr. Amery 15.7.28*  
*(10)*

*To Mr. Amery 22.7.28*  
*178 Amery*

*96 in 2217*  
*2a*

*To Mr. Bottomley*  
*signature - 25<sup>th</sup> July*  
*Do not rely upon 22<sup>nd</sup> July*

*[Handwritten signature]*

*I sent you on the 19<sup>th</sup> June*  
*a copy of the rel. in*  
*fracth about*  
*the Mega calculate;*  
*and on the 2<sup>nd</sup> July*  
*Dutton sent me a*  
*note on the subject.*  
*~~the position of~~*  
*~~Articles in the matter~~*

*I now enclose*  
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*further rel. for*

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W G BOTTOMLEY

Mr. ~~Adet~~ 27.7.29  
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 Sir J. Shuckburgh  
 Sir G. Grenville  
 Sir C. Davis  
 Sir S. Wilson  
 Mr. Ormsby-Gore.  
 Lord Lugard  
 Mr. Amery.

Code sent X. 15717/29 Kenya  
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DRAFT. Code tel.

Governor  
 Nairobi

Copy of (10) letters  
 to 70. LF ref. (4).

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16/11

Mr. A. J. ... X. 15717/24 Kenya

X Mr. Bottomley 19.7.24

Sir E. Harding

Sir J. Shackburgh

Sir G. Grindie

Sir C. Davis

Sir S. Wilson

Mr. Ormsby-Gore

Lord Lovat

Mr. Amery

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DRAFT. Code tel.

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 Nairobi

Copy of (10) ...  
 to F.O. LF ref. (9)

Code sent  
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re. examine the matter in  
the light of latest information  
as to position on boundary  
and then to submit  
recommendations as to  
attention of post and  
if it is to be retained  
who should undertake

The duties of intermediate no  
action will be taken as to  
additional cadet

seen

16 JUL 1929  
COL. OFFICE

Telegram from the O.A.C. of Kenya to the Secretary of State  
for the Colonies.

Dated 15th July, 1929.

(Received Colonial Office 4.53 p.m. 15th July, 1929.)

90. 8231/50  
No 5  
Copy to 15/7/29  
6.4

No. 207 15th July Your despatch 13th June No. 446 and  
your telegram 19th June. If Miles definitely unable to  
resume his Consular appointment and it is desired to  
retain Consulate for the time being only best course will be to  
continue secondment of Administrative Officer. Existing  
staff does not allow for this and in such event should be  
glad if one additional cadet to those asked for in my  
despatch 22nd May No. 303, 1929 could be selected. It  
will be necessary in the meantime to close Consulate from  
the date of Seldon's departure.

In any further communication on this subject, please quote

No. K 7565/6593/201  
and address,

not to any person by name

but to--

"The Under-Secretary of State,"  
Foreign Office,  
London, S.W. 1.

RECEIVED  
- 5 JUL 1929  
COL. OFFICE

Foreign Office

S.W. 1.

3rd July, 1929.

Sir,

*not*

With reference to your letter No. 15717/29 of the 19th ultimo regarding the question of the retention of the Consular post at Mege, I am directed by Mr. Secretary Henderson to transmit herewith for the information of the Secretary of State for the Colonies, a copy of despatch No. 114 from His Majesty's Chargé d'Affaires at Addis Ababa.

2. I am to state that Mr. Henderson agrees with the decision arrived at by the Colonial Office after consulting Sir A. Grigg, notwithstanding the opinion expressed by Mr. Dunbar that the retention of the Consular post at Mege is no longer necessary.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

*[Handwritten Signature]*

The Under-Secretary of State,  
Colonial Office.

*ansd. 25 July 29*

May 7th, 1908.

No. 114.

Sir,

I have the honour to state that I have received from the Acting Governor of Kenya a copy of a despatch (number and date omitted in the copy) which he has addressed to the Secretary of State for the Colonies relative to the continued maintenance of a consular officer at Hoga.

2. After careful consideration of the views expressed in Sir Joseph Barth's despatch I share his opinion that the retention of a consulate at Hoga is no longer necessary. The prospective stationing of two administrative officers at Moyale should make adequate provision for dealing there with the questions hitherto dealt with at Hoga, and the position will be still further improved if an Abyssinian vice consul appointed to Moyale not only reaches his post but stays there.

3. A copy of this despatch is being forwarded to Nairobi.

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

Sir,

Your most obedient,

humble servant,

Signed: F. DUNBAR

The Right Honourable

Sir Austen Chamberlain, K.G., M.P.

etc., etc., etc.

May 7th, 1929.

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- Lord [unclear]
- Mr. Amery 30/6/29

For the [unclear] signature

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**DRAFT.**

Lieut Colonel  
 Sir Edward Grigg,  
 Camp near [unclear]  
 of [unclear]

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My dear Grigg,

When you called on  
 the 15<sup>th</sup>. We discussed  
 the 2<sup>nd</sup> of [unclear], as to  
 wh. I wrote to you on the  
 6<sup>th</sup>. I now enclose  
 a copy of [unclear]'s [unclear].  
 of the 15<sup>th</sup>, wh. I showed  
 you and a copy of  
 the reply wh. has been  
 sent. I also  
 enclose a copy of an  
 official letter wh. has  
 been sent to the [unclear].

As to [unclear],  
I [unclear]

From [unclear] 15. 6. 29  
 To [unclear] 19. 6. 29  
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 you feel, before writer shall  
 allowed to go to Meza; and  
 if after seeing him you  
 come to the conclusion provisionally  
 that he is fit to take on the Meza  
 job again, we will arrange for  
 the next medical exam. at four expense  
 & in that case the job will  
 be renewed for the year.

Yours sincerely  
 (Sgd.) W. C. Bottomley.

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From Mr. Deet 19. 6. 29  
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Received 19. 6. 29  
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Sir,  
 19 June 1929  
 With ref. to your letter of 12. 10. 28  
 of the 12. 10. 28 & Council of the T.O.  
 I am etc. to advise you  
 you, for the ref. of Mr. Deet  
 Anderson, the enclosed copy  
 of a Rep. from the O.S.  
 of duty regarding the  
 complete re-organization in  
 Southern Albania.

(2) The matter has been  
 discussed in the T.O.  
 with Mr. Deet & Mr. Gagg, the  
 Gov. of Albania who is not  
 as a Council of the T.O.

so as to advise you, as a Council of the T.O.

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~~the~~ of the British Trade  
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*Coded sent  
2.30 p.m. 19/6/29*

19 June 29 re conf. telegram

of 15 June No. 173

matter has been

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**DRAFT.** Code telegram

*James  
Hairston*

*15/6/29  
Copy to Mr. Bottomley & Grigg*

has been made for MILES  
to return with C.R.I.C.C.  
as aide de camp but  
question of his assuming  
duty as consul is not  
subject to his physical  
fitness is being considered  
I will telegraph further

Seldon

RECEIVED  
17 JUN 1929  
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Telegram from the Officer Administering the Govern-  
ment of Kenya to the Secretary of State for the  
Colonies. Dated 15th June, 1929.

(Received Colonial Office 1.17 p.m. 15th June, 1929.)

Confidential No.173 15th June. My  
despatch of 9th April Confidential No.45. Seldon  
sails from Mombasa 3rd August. Grateful for  
information as to whether Miles returning for duty  
as H.B.M. Consul at Mega pending decision as  
to retention of Consulate. No other relief  
available. I am sending copy of this telegram  
to H.B.M. Charge d'Affaires at Addis Ababa.

Our tel. 19 June 1929  
copy to the Secy & B.igg

Mr. Allen 31/5

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*Answer No. 3*

Oto. for Mr. Bortonley's sig.

Downing Street,

6 June, 1929.

Dear Grigg.

I enclose a copy of a *confidential* despatch from Barth in which he raises the question of the retention of the Consulate at Mega.

I also enclose a copy of your despatch No.534 of the 28th of September, 1928, in which you said that you proposed to defer discussion of future arrangements regarding the Mega and Maji Consulates pending the completion of negotiations with the Ethiopian Government regarding the boundary question.

The boundary question has not advanced, but you will

remember

**DRAFT.** *Copy: 1 minute*

LIEUTENANT-COLONEL  
SIR EDWARD GRIGG, K.C.M.G., K.C.V.O.,  
D.S.O., M.C.

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Fr. A/Gov. Kenya No.45 Conf.  
9th Apl. '29  
(No.1)

Fr. Gov. Kenya No.534 28th Sept. '28  
(No.10 of 15142/28)



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*Answer to 3/1/29*

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D.S.O., M.C.

*Gold Bonds + 3/1/29*

Fr. A/Gov. Kenya No. 45 Conf.  
9th Apl. '29  
(No. 11)

Fr. Gov. Kenya No. 534 28th Sept. '28  
(No. 10 of 15142/28)

Remember that we recently had some  
discussion <sup>last evening</sup> about the Consulate at Mega,  
when I suggested that it served to prevent  
raids, and I understood you to say that  
if that were actually the case, you  
would be well content to retain it.

We propose to send Barth's  
despatch to the F.O. asking for their  
observations when they receive the  
views of the Charge d'Affaires at  
Addis Ababa, to whom Barth has sent a  
copy of his despatch direct. But  
before we do this, I shall be glad to  
know whether you confirm my recollection  
of what passed at our talk

As to Kulas, I understand  
that if you have definitely  
arranged for him to remain  
well in your hands at Camp  
for the time being -

[See memo  
of 20.1.28  
copy in  
X. 15762/28]

KENYA

No. 476

CONFIDENTIAL



GOVERNMENT HOUSE,  
NAIROBI  
KENYA

RECEIVED  
8 MAY 1929  
COL. OFFICE

April, 1929.

Sir,

With reference to my despatch No.417 dated the 20th July, 1928, relative to the appointment of Mr.A.A.Seldon, District Officer, as Acting Consul at Mega, I have the honour to inform you that I have provisionally sanctioned Mr.Seldon's proceeding on privilege leave on the 18th July, 1929, by which date he will have completed 30 months residential service in the Colony.

2. The question arises as to the advisability of retaining the Consulate at Mega. You are aware that the Elected Members of Legislative Council in the Select Committee on Estimates for 1929 pressed for the abolition of that post and I believe that it was Sir Edward Grigg's intention to discuss this matter with you personally, see correspondence terminating with his despatch No.534 of the 28th September, 1928.

3. From paragraph 2 of my telegram No.53 Confidential of the 25th February you will observe that it is proposed to station two Administrative Officers at Moyale in future.

In addition I am advised that the retention of the Consulate is unnecessary and I am not prepared to support the view that the Mega Consulate, situated some 60 miles from the Kenya Administrative Station

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE

LIEUTENANT COLONEL L.C.M.S.AMERY, F.C., M.P.,  
SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES,  
DOWNING STREET, LONDON S.W.

*copy to Sir E. Grigg*

*copy to Sir A. Seldon*

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4. I am forwarding a copy of this despatch to His Britannic Majesty's Chargé d'Affaires at Addis Ababa.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient, humble servant,



ACTING GOVERNOR.

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Your most obedient, humble servant,

A. H. M. GOVERNOR.

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