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with those charged by certain  
 other lines, ~~and~~ even when  
 allowance is made for the  
 confidential rebate granted to  
 the Govt., and urged that,  
 in the interests of the Govt.  
 and if opponents themselves,  
~~an~~ an effort should be  
 made to improve matters.

3. At a result of these representations  
 the whole question has been  
 fully considered in consultation  
 with the C.A. for the C. It  
 became clear at an early stage  
 that, if the confidential  
 agreement with the Conference  
 Lines were to be abrogated,  
 there

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 Masterton Smith.  
 Mansel Gore.

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there was no prospect of  
 the requirements of the Govt.  
 being satisfactorily met by  
 the foreign companies which  
 provide services to E. Africa.  
 The result would be that  
 the Govt. would still have  
 to rely in the main upon  
 the Conference Lines for  
 officials' passages, and would  
 have lost the advantage  
 of the confidential rebate at  
 present granted.

4. The C.A. were accordingly  
 instructed to make ~~an~~  
 representations to the Conference  
 Lines, with a view to  
 obtaining

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Mr.  
Mrs.  
Mr. Strachey.  
Sir J. Shackburgh.  
Sir C. Davis.  
Sir G. Grindle.  
Sir J. Masteron Smith.  
Mr. Ormsby-Gore.  
Mr. Amery.

should be booked by another line.

5. With regard to (i), you have already been informed

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in my desk No. 297 of the

27<sup>th</sup> of March that the British India Co. have

decided to run a four-weekly

service until the end of the present year. With regard

to (ii), the companies have

plainly expressed themselves as unable to consider a

reduction in rates unless an adequate subsidy is paid from

Govt. funds. I do not propose

obtaining an improvement in the services provided by these lines without a disturbance of the existing agreement. The particular points which they were asked to approach the Companies were:-

- (i) The provision of a more frequent and regular service;
- (ii) A reduction in fares;
- (iii) An improvement in the accommodation provided;
- (iv) A general attitude of recognition of any suggestions made to the Companies or verbally of the S. of P. that it is for the convenience either of the Govt. or of the office concerned that any individual offers passage

to pursue this suggestion. I regret  
that it has not been possible  
to make any progress with  
regard to (iii) and (iv).

In para 6 of his despatch  
under reference Sir Robert  
Congdon drew attention to  
the additional <sup>expense caused</sup> ~~cost~~ to Govt.  
of ~~officers~~ by officers travelling  
by the all-sea route, and  
pointed out that the extra time  
involved on the double journey  
is roughly 14 days (counting  
as additional leave) in each  
case. I recognise the force of  
this argument and have  
decided, in future to adopt  
the following arrangements:

(a) Homeward passage

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The all-sea route will remain  
the "normal route" for the  
purpose of family passage  
allowance, and officers will  
be permitted to travel by this  
route if they wish. Any officer  
may, however, if he so desires  
disembark at Marseilles, and  
if he does so the full cost  
of his own fare from Marseilles  
to London will be paid by  
the Govt.; but the Govt.  
will retain, in the case  
of an officer whose passage  
had been booked by the  
all-sea route, any sum  
recovered from the shipping  
company in respect of  
the unused portion of the  
officer's

officer's own ticket. No allowance  
for the transport of baggage  
across France will be payable,  
as heavy baggage can come on  
to England in the steamer.

(b) Outward passages. It has  
been arranged that, commencing  
with the steamer due to leave  
London on the 11th of June, the  
British India (but not the  
Union Castle) steamers will  
call at Marseilles on the  
outward voyage. Officers who  
desire to embark upon these  
steamers at Marseilles will  
be allowed to do so, but  
they will be responsible for  
the additional cost of the  
tickets

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Mr. I. Masterton Smith  
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tickets and for any incidental  
expenses involved, and they  
will be regarded, for the  
purpose of extension of leave,  
and carrying forward leave,  
as if they had joined the  
steamer at London; and  
the dates on which the  
steamers leave London  
will alone be taken into  
consideration in determining  
the steamer by which  
an officer returning from  
leave should travel.  
The ~~arrangement~~ with  
regard to passage arrange-  
ments will be arranged  
accordingly.  
(For the Secretary of State)  
W. ORMSBY-GORE

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- M. Jeffries
- M. Annie
- M. Strackey
- J. Shuckburgh.
- C. Davis.
- Grindle.
- Masterton Smith.
- Wmsby-Gore.
- Amery.

11/5/25  
 16/6/25

E. A.



*[Handwritten signature]*

15 May

1925

DRAFT.

Sir Gentlemen

(15489  
 16217)

I am in to ack. the receipt  
 of your letters No. M/S.A. 275  
 of the 2nd. & 7th of April, and  
 to inform you that the results  
 of your ~~negotiations~~ negotiations with  
 the Union Castle Mail Steamship  
 Co. & the British India Steam  
 Navigation Co. regarding the  
 passenger service between England  
 and E. Africa are noted.

4 Dfts.  
 enc. as to  
 message memo.

The S. G. has decided  
 that

that the following arrangements should be adopted in future with regard to the embarkation and disembarkation of at Marseilles of officials serving in Kenya, Uganda, Zanzibar and the T.T. :-

(a) Homeward passages.

The all-sea route will remain the 'normal route' for the purpose of family passage allowance, and officers will be permitted to travel by this route if they wish. Any officer may, however, if he so desires, disembark at Marseilles, and if he does so the full cost of

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- Mr J. Shuckburgh
- Mr G. Davis
- Mr Frindley
- Mr Huxtable Smith
- Mr Crosby-Gore
- Mr G. G. G.

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his own fare from Marseilles to London will be paid by the Govt. ; but the Govt. will retain, in the case of an officer whose passage had been booked by the all-sea route, any sum recovered from the shipping Company in respect of the unused portion of the officer's own ticket. No allowance for the transport of baggage across France will be payable, as heavy baggage can come on to England in the steamer

(6) Outward passages.

When the steamer by which the officer is to travel calls at Marseilles, the officer will be permitted to join it at that port if he so desires. He will however be responsible for the additional cost of the ticket, & for any incidental expenses involved, and he will be regarded, for the purpose of extension of leave, or carrying forward leave, as if he had joined the steamer at London. The date on which the steamer leaves London will also be taken into account in determining the steamer by which an officer returning from leave should travel.

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Mr. Wallaker 20.6  
Mr. Downie 1/5  
Mr. Stinchey  
Sir J. Shuckburgh  
Sir C. Davis  
Mr. P. Grindle  
Mr. W. H. Smith  
Mr. Urquhart  
Mr. Amey

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Mr. Asquith  
Mr. Baring

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Sir  
I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 25th of Decr, 1923, and to inform you that representations have been made by the C.A. for the Col. to the Shipping Companies in London & to the Union Castle Steamship Company & the British India Steam Navigation Company with a view to obtaining improved conditions of service for officials between England & East Africa.

2. The results of the negotiations are shown in the enclosed copy of a despatch which I have recently addressed to the Acting Gov. of Kenya.

C.A. 15689/25

L. Dyke

Copy of which is enclosed herewith  
for your information

I have re

(Signed) L. S. AMERY

C.A. 19489/25  
6-11  
Mr. Whitehead 2000  
Mr. Jeffries 4/5  
Mr. Dornie 1/3/25  
Mr. Brackley  
Mr. Shuckburgh  
Mr. Dent  
Mr. Grindle  
Mr. Masterlon Smith  
Mr. Ramsby Gore  
Mr. Cary

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copy to D.A.G. ✓  
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D.A.G. ✓  
Aug ✓

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Sir  
I have re. to ~~acknowledge~~ refer to  
6<sup>th</sup> of May 1924  
21<sup>st</sup> of April 1924  
Conf. despatch of the

and to inform you that the  
Penny Agents on the Colonies &  
recently made representations to the  
British India  
Union Castle (Steamship Co. & the  
British Steam Navigation Co.)  
with a view to ~~obtaining~~ obtaining  
improved conditions in connection with  
the ~~passage~~ ~~of~~ ~~passengers~~ ~~between~~ ~~England~~ ~~and~~ ~~East~~ ~~Africa~~

copy to Africa  
5/8/25

(13152/25)

As you have already  
been informed in my despatch  
No. 158 of the 25<sup>th</sup> of March 1924  
No. 108

The British India Co. have

decided to give a four-weekly  
service until the end of the  
present year. Further results

of ~~the~~ negotiations are shown  
in ~~the~~ a despatch ~~which~~

~~is~~ enclosed to the Acting  
Governor of Kenya, ~~and~~ a copy of which  
~~is~~ enclosed in some  
copies of this despatch for your  
information.

I have

(Signed) L. S. AMERY

- M. <sup>4.5</sup> ~~Sturges~~ 25/6
- M. <sup>4.5</sup> ~~99~~ 1/5
- M. <sup>4.5</sup> ~~100~~ 1/5
- M. ~~Stacey~~
- M. ~~Stuckburgh~~
- M. ~~Davis~~
- M. ~~Grindle~~
- M. ~~Masterion-Smith~~
- M. ~~Ormsby-Gore~~
- M. ~~Amery~~

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Dear Sir  
to Com.  
to H.C.

13/8/25

Sir

(1) With refer. to my despatch No. 50 of  
the 27<sup>th</sup> of March I have

~~to H.C.~~

~~I have~~

not send  
to the Colonies - it  
only, compare them

to inform you that the C.A.  
for the Colonies have recently  
been in negotiation with the  
African Coastal Steamship Co.  
and the British India Steam

I agree

Navigators Co with a view  
to obtaining improved conditions in  
connection with the provision of  
passenger services to  
and East Africa.

A.S. Kenya 27/1/25  
15/8/25

The result of these negotiations  
is shown in the a despatch  
which

to the Acting Sec. & Keene, and  
enclose a copy of this despatch  
in some copies.

I have it.

(Signed) L. S. AMERY