

1925

KENYA

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C. O.
20909
9 MAY 25

FROM
FOREIGN OFFICE

DATE
8th May 1925.

TO
Mr. *D. [unclear]*
Tr.
Mr.
Inst. U.S. of S.
W. S. [unclear]
Per U.S. of S.
Part U.S. of S. 11-5-25 *copy*
Secretary of State.

JURALAND BOUNDARY DELIMITATION.

Copy of translation of Note Verbale from Italian Govt suggesting date of session be fixed at once, and observing that the French formula for delimitation of the Italian - British Frontier is acceptable, with the one addition now stated.

Previous Paper
P.O. 11720
Ad.

MINUTES
within.

TEL. Sp. Chan. 11 May 25
Further tel. to Gen. Com. 14 May 25
Answered - 14 May 25
copy of copy to be sent 13 May 25
To D.D.O. of Gen. Office. Slon. 15 May 25

In the Secy's minutes:-
(1) Agree
(2) ? Telegraph to say that the
Italians want to see the map
1st June: that S. G. would like
to meet them if possible: but
that if it is quite impossible
we will try to get "June" fixed
as far as immediate reply.
It to be marked "Priority"

Subsequent Paper
P.O. 11811

(3) I have telephoned to
Col. Whitebrough (and
he advised that we
should submit the 6 proposals

1. Personnel of Commission

The Italian Section is to consist of 3 principal officers and two or three assistants. On our side there is Lt. Col. King and his topographer, and a political officer and medical officer with a small escort for the survey part of the Commission, with probably additional personnel (at least a civil surveyor) for the Civil Commission which sits at Madras in June and July. Probably the U.S. Glenday (Admⁿ Officer) will be the political officer associated with Col. King ~~but~~ but we do not know the name of the medical officer.

On 20/19/25 King and della Penna write for the names of the British Commission within power.

I let D. C. G. find names of Italian Commissioners and will keep for ^(by list) names of British personnel. refer to his let on 5/24/25

May 1st and the Italian proposal means that cession will ~~be~~ take place on June 1st if we agree.

The local Gov^t did not suggest actually a month, but only the "fullest possible notice". On the other hand, the notice they will get will be rather less than 3 weeks, under the Italian proposal, and this seems hardly enough to meet their request. The delay is not our fault, and perhaps (assuming that we can get a tel off today) it would be enough to agree to the date June 11th (or if our tel. is not sent off today, one month from ~~today~~ date of sending) We could at the same time send our letter to the F.O. telling them that SFS has agreed to this date & that OAG has been indicated accordingly.

[The SFS had representations made personally to him in Rome, and the above suggestion may have to be modified in the light of any assurance then given]

a further reply on this point.

(There is located the "point" in question
by a pencilled arrow on the annexed map.)

gyl.

11.5.25.

In any further communication
on this subject please quote

No. *C. 6144/1803/22.*

and address
not to any person's name

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

C. O.
20909
9 MAY 25

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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,

May 9th, 1925.

Reference to previous communication *W.O.*

Colonial Office letter no. 15149/25
of April 8th

Description of Enclosure

Name and Date.

Subject.

Hon. Ambassador,
Rome.

Delimitation of
island boundary

no. 364. May 4.

Similar letter sent to

364.

HIS Majesty's Representative at Rome presents his compliments to the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, and has the honour to transmit herewith copy of the under-mentioned paper:

British Embassy

Rome

4th May, 1925

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Reference to previous despatch

~~xxx~~ Foreign Office No. 487 (C 4977/1803/25) of April 13th, 1925.

Description *Fucosuta.*

Name and Date

Subject

Translation of Note
Verbale from Italian
Government.

1st May, 1925.

Delimitation of the Jubaland
boundary.

TRANSLATION.

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NOTE VERBALE.

The Royal Ministry for Foreign Affairs have the honour to acknowledge receipt of Note Verbale No. 137 of the 17th April, in which His Britannic Majesty's Embassy informed that the British Government consented to the transfer of the Jubaland territory taking place without awaiting a settlement of the question arising from articles 7 and 10 of the Convention, provided that previous notice of at least one month of the date of cession were given to the Governor of Kenya.

In taking note of the above and in begging His Britannic Majesty's Embassy to be so good as to convey to their Government the thanks of the Royal Government for the favourable disposition displayed, the Royal Ministry for Foreign Affairs have the honour to observe that in such circumstances it would be desirable to fix the date of the cession at once, having also in mind that the exchange of the ratifications of the Convention of the 1st July 1924 must not soon take place. Timely instructions to the effect desired by His Britannic Majesty's Government can thus be given to the Italian High Commissioner for Jubaland.

In begging His Britannic Majesty's Embassy to be so good as to report in the view of their Government on the matter and to assist them with their intentions the Royal Ministry for Foreign Affairs state that the Italian.....

Italian section of the Mixed Commission for the Delimitation of the Boundaries is composed of Lieut.-Colonel of the Engineers Cav. Giovanni Dotto, Major Tedesco-Zummarano, Colonial Counsellor Cav. Antonio Scarpa, besides two or three operators.

Furthermore as regards the fresh formula proposed by the British Government for the frontier between Italian and English territories (in explanation of the expression "boundary between the provinces of Tassaland and Jubaland") the Royal Ministry for Foreign Affairs consider that it can be accepted with one single addition.

It appears in fact to the Royal Ministry for Foreign Affairs that the formula in question does not sufficiently identify the point where the south-easterly line, departing from the junction of the meridian in question with the parallel of latitude south $3^{\circ} 5'$ should terminate. This point, however, was perfectly identified in the formula proposed by the Royal Ministry for Foreign Affairs in their Note No. 2100/100 of March 10th 1925.

Therefore the phrase of the British formula ("to a point due north of the point on the coast...") could thus be modified: "by to a point situated south six kilometres north of the point on the coast...".

Rome.

1st May, 1925.

del 11.5.25

D. Stanley 11.5.25 etc

F.O. 20909/25 Kenya

- Bushey.
- Shuckburgh.
- Davis.
- Grindle.
- Masterton Smith.
- Winsby-Gore.
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PRIORITY

Not urgent

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May 11. My tel. 17 April

Italian Govt. wish to take over.

on June 1st should

be glad to agree if

possible or quite

impossible will endeavour

to arrange for June 11

instead. Reply 1 over

unc
wicketly

- Mr. Deak 12.5.25
- Mr. Bolton
- Mr. Strachan
- Sir J. Shackleton
- Sir G. Davis
- Sir G. Grinnell
- Sir J. MacLinton Smith
- Ormsby-Gore
- Amery

Codes & Lists
6.50 pm
11th May '25

FO 20906/25 Kenya

Gen

DRAFT. Code Tel

Memo
Nairobi

Sir

11th May Jubaland

Following are names of Italian
Boundary Commission

Lt. Colonel Dotto (Engineers)

Major Tedesco-Zammarano

Counsellor Scarpa with

two or three operators @ Telepath

names of British personnel
see your telegrams 2nd February
(No 4) in addition to Kems @

~~SECRET~~

With ref. to memorandum

15147

enclosed in my report 34657

"April forward papers

has been sent to Sir [unclear]

Send 4.5.25.

Bottomley, 11.5.25

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FO. 20709/25 Kenya.

- Sirchesy.
- J. Shuckburgh.
- Sir C. Davis.
- Sir G. Gribble.
- I. MacLerton Smith.
- Ormsby-Gore.
- Amery.

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DRAFT.

12 May

U. S. G. P.,
Foreign Office.

SIR,

copy to
for 450 - 12/5/25
of 52/5/25

I am etc. back, the receipt
 of your letter No C. 6104/1803/22
 of the 7 of May, No C. 6109/1803/22
 of the 7 of May, and C. 6144/1803/22
 of the 8 of May, on the subject
 of the cession of Jubaland to
 Italy and the delimitation
 of the new boundary
 between British and Italian
 Territory in East Africa.

In the Amery notes
 the names of the 2 members
 of the Italian section of the

X
 enc. aff. SRS
 has seen for note
 D. 17.0.25
 Also 7 copies of 20719, and
 20709, with copy of this aff.
 done. All ref. let. herewith
 WWS

Boundary Commission,

as for which are given in

the enclosure to your letter of the 9th of May

regard to the enquiry in para. 2 of the Italian

Ambassador's letter of the 2nd of May, regarding the

British personnel members of the British Section, I am

to invite Mr Chamberlain's attention to the last para

of my letter from this Dept^t No 15149/25 of the 8th of April,

in which it was stated that Lt Col L.N.F. King, O.B.E., R.E.

~~the senior~~ would be the senior British

Commissioner Lt Col King and the Sergeant C.W.R. Folier,

R.E., who accompanied him on his previous tour, sailed

should state the Italian Section may be expected to be available for the assembly of the Commission.

20719/25

for Novibara on the 8th of April

2. The names of the

other members of the

British Section will be

communicated to ^{Mr Chamberlain}

as soon as possible, on

the receipt of the recommendation

of the As. Governor of Kenya.

With regard to the

~~date on which the census of~~

~~Jubaland should take place,~~

a telegram has been sent

to the As. Governor asking

whether he has any objection

to the census taking place

on the 1st of June

proposal of the Italian

Gov^t that the census of

the territory in question should

take place one month

after date of ratification

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- Sturges
- J. Shackleton
- C. Davis
- G. Grindle
- J. Masterton Smith
- Ormsby-Gore
- Amery

DRAFT.

Sir,

of the Anglo-Italian
Treaty of the 15th July, 1924,

Mr Amery understands
that ~~the Treaty was~~
~~formal~~ the exchange of
ratifications of the Treaty
~~was~~ took place on the
1st of May ~~1924~~, and the
As. Gov. has accordingly
been asked ~~to~~ ~~cooperate~~
to reply immediately by
telegram whether he has
any objection to the date of
transfer being fixed for the 1st
of June. ^{The let^r adds that if the As. Gov.} ~~if~~ further letter will
be sent on this point as soon
as the As. Governor's let^r is
received.

in order to agree to the date
arrange as endeavours will
made to obtain the As.
of the Italian auth.
to concur taking to
on June 11th

5. Mr Amery notes
from the final paragraph
of the Italian Gov^t's Note
of the 1st of May
that they desire ~~to~~ ~~modify~~

20909

- Strachey.
- J. Shackburgh.
- Davis.
- G. Grindle.
- J. Masterton Smith.
- Armby-Gore.
- Amery.

15749/25

DRAFT.

SIR,

modify the formula
suggested, in the memorandum
enclosed with the letter from
his Det^y of the 8th of April,
in explanation of the expression
"boundary between the provinces
of Jubaland and Danaland"
which occurs in Article I
of the Treaty of the 15th of
July, 1924. Mr Amery
has no objection to the adoption
of the expression "10 a point
situated about six kilometres
north of the point on the coast",
in substitution for "15 a point
due north of the point on the
coast", which was suggested
by the Italian Gov^t; and
he presumes that the
necessary exchange of Notes
on this point will now take
place.

(Signed) W. O. BOTTOMLEY.

See 4.5.25.
Boston 14/5

FO 20909/25 Kewra

- Straachy
- J. Shuckburgh
- C. Davis
- J. Grindle
- J. Musterton Smith
- Ormsby-Gore
- Amery

C. O.
14 MAY
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~~JAC~~

DRAFT. 3 pm.

15 May 1925

Sir,

The U.S.G. for the C.O.s. presents his compliments to the Director of Military Operations and Intelligence and, with reference to the communication from his Dep't of the 1st of April, is pleased to transmit to him, for his information, an extract from a letter which was addressed to the F.O. on the 8th of April together with the memorandum enclosed with that letter, on the subject of the formula to be adopted for the definition of the description

14169/25
(3 pm)

for letter C.O. to F.O.
8 April. (12100/25)
2 paras) 15/5/25
to save trouble (Narrow)
1 per Note Verbr. on 20909/25
(cont 3 paras)
F.O. 12 May 20909/25

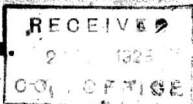
of the expression "boundary
between the provinces of Jubaland
and Danaland", which occurs in
Article I of the ^{Anglo-Italian} Treaty of the 15th July,
1924, ~~between~~ relating to the
cession of Jubaland.

An extract from a Note
Verbale of the Italian Gov^t, dated
the 1st of May, 1925, is also
enclosed, together with a copy
of the letter from the Colonial
Office to the Foreign Office, No 20900/25,
of the 12 of May, from which it
will be observed that the S of S
has agreed to the ^{modification} addition suggested
by the Italian Gov^t to the formula
in question, which was originally
framed in consultation with the
Directorate of Military Operations
and Intelligence -

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and Intelligence.

M.I.4/c/75.



The Director of Military Operations and Intelligence presents his compliments to the Under Secretary of State for the Colonies, and begs to acknowledge the receipt of his letter of the 15th May, 1925, on the subject of the delimitation of the Jubaland boundary, together with the enclosures which accompanied that letter.

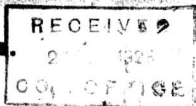
War Office,
Whitehall, S.W.1.
20th May, 1925.

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W. H. Allen
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M.I.4/c/75.



The Director of Military Operations and Intelligence presents his compliments to the Under Secretary of State for the Colonies, and begs to acknowledge the receipt of his letter of the 18th May, 1925, on the subject of the delimitation of the sub-land boundary, together with the enclosures which accompanied that letter.

War Office,
 Whitehall, S.W.1.
 8th May, 1925.

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R. W. Allen
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W. J. 27

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21 MAY 1925
COL. OFFICE

The Director of Military Operations and Intelligence presents his compliments to the Under Secretary of State for the Colonies, and begs to acknowledge the receipt of his letter of the 15th May, 1925, on the subject of the delimitation of the Jubaland boundary, together with the enclosures which accompanied that letter.

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War Office,
Whitehall, S.W.1.
20th May, 1925.

G.A.P.

*Dr. W. Allen
? Attach or return*

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