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

Dated 12th February, 1926.

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