

Mr. Sturt

When the Committee start they will at once want to know the existing state of the law in each of the colonies or will what they have to deal, beginning with West Africa.

There are 8 members, & they will all want copies of the laws, I expect - not to mention a spare copy for the Secretary.

I think you ought to find out what we can supply from the library - probably not enough copies - & then write to all the Colonies concerned (ref. despatch on $\frac{11.44C}{36767}$) & ask

for ... copies of the laws & registers in force affecting the ownership & transfer of land, to be sent (if available) as soon as possible for the use of the Committee. (and in receipt add "and any other printed papers which might be useful to the Committee in view of their terms of reference") We ought to be beforehand with this.

C.S.
Jan 25/24

Re Shaker

I should like to hear about this. Efforts to get A.C.P. Committee in the first place.

S.M.
27/12

dd. h. to EA Coms etc.

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Other printed papers which might be useful to the Committee in view of their terms of reference

Sir R. Lambert

African Land Committee.

C. O.
37984

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It has been pointed out that the recently constituted African Land Committee might possibly be embarrassed in their consideration of the matters included in their terms of reference if any of the West or East African Governments concerned should pass legislation affecting the transfer of rights over land, or take any measures affecting land (e.g. in connection with native reserves, concessions, etc.) which might possibly conflict with the recommendations which they will eventually make, or which might, without their knowledge, modify the existing situation of land questions in the dependencies concerned.

This difficulty will, I suggest, be met if, (while the Committee is in being,) the Departments concerned would make a careful note of the point, and (should any such action be reported to be in contemplation, or to have been actually taken in any of the Dependencies) if the Departments concerned will consider whether it is necessary that steps should be taken to suspend local action, and whether the matter should be referred to the Committee.

A.
August 7th, 1924.

ask a West African Dept. to see - And the former

Should also bear in mind the
possibility of a similar difficulty arising
on the Africa Committee. The Secretary
should pay special attention to this point
(Mushinski's report)

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9 Sept 1924.

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With ref to my desp

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M 1/3 of the 14th August

regarding the tree which

- Mr. Scott 4/9
- Mr. Bottomley 4.9.24
- Mr. Shackel 8/9/24
- Sir G. Davis.
- Sir G. Grindle.
- Sir H. Read.
- Sir J. Masterton Smith.
- Mr. Ormsby-Gore.
- Duke of Devonshire.

I have set up to consider

land questions in West &

East Africa, I have etc

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for the tree to have before them

copies of the Laws & Regs at

present in force which affect

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the ownership or transfer of land,
together with copies of any printed
maps which might be useful to them
in view of their terms of reference.

2. I should be glad therefore
if you would send home as early
as possible for the use of the Com-
mission ten copies of such documents as
will be of use in this connection,
if you would send a similar
number of copies of any Proclamations,
Regulations etc which may from
time to time be issued by your
Administration in regard to land questions.

3. Should ten copies of the
documents not be available for this
purpose a smaller number (say six)

should be sent.

for the Secretary of State

(Signed) ARNOLD

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Downing Street,
27 August, 1924.

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Mr. Gent 8.24.

Mr. *Strathey* 27/8

- Mr.
- Sir C. Davis.
- Sir G. Grindle.
- Sir H. Read.
- Sir J. Masterton Smith.
- Lord Arnold.
- Mr. Thomas.

for case

Sir,

With reference to my despatch $\frac{N}{3}$ of the (1, 2 & 3) ^{12th} August ^{18th} August regarding the Committee I have set up to consider land questions in West and East Africa, I have, etc., to inform you that I am advised that it is desirable for the Committee to have before them copies of the Laws and Regulations at present in force which affect the ownership or transfer of land, together with copies of any printed papers which might be useful to them in view of their terms of reference.

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if you would send home, as early as possible for the use of the Committee, ten copies of such documents as would be

of use in this connection, & if you could send a smaller number of ~~have, etc.~~

Copies of any ~~Regulations~~ Proclamations

etc, which may from time to time be issued by your Govt in regard to land questions.

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(for the Secretary of State)
(Signed, ARNOLD)