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MEDICAL, SANITARY, ETC. STAFF, 1926.

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Secretary of State.

Lack of housing accommodation compels reduction of appointments hitherto contemplated. Describes measures for expediting building. Meantime supply as stated in his tel of 8th Octr, No 452, is maximum possible for 1926. Unmarried candidates strongly preferred for the present.

Previous Paper

*Gen. 456086*

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*One would have thought that a elementary a question as that of quarters would have been looked into before the recommendations in 35677/25 were sent.*

*A statement of the selections made, + how the arrangements fit in with the local Govt's requirements, is attached within. I do not see that we can alter the arrangements to suit the Kenya Govt. They have had the circ. d. of 20th June showing at what*

Subsequent Paper

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

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Dated 26th November, 1925.

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(Received Colonial Office 7.0.p.m. 26th November, 1925)

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555 26th November Your telegram of 13th October Absolute  
 lack of housing accommodation has compelled reduction of  
 the number of new medical appointments to be made in 1926.  
 I am taking special measures with the aid of Hoogterp and  
 increased Public Works Department Staff to expedite the  
 building programme and intend to provide with minimum delay  
 for the programme of medical development indicated in  
 Kenya despatch of 1st July No. 823. In the meantime the  
 supply required in my telegram of 8th November No. 452 must  
 be regarded as the maximum possible next year. In view of  
 the acute housing difficulty unmarried recruits strongly  
 preferred for the present. Where married men are selected  
 they should be warned that proper accommodation for ladies  
 is not yet available in the majority of stations and asked  
 to leave their wives at home for a few months while adequate  
 houses are being built.

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medical establishment in Kenya

being approved. The result is

that ten candidates have  
been selected towards next

year's establishment, of whom  
two will sail in December or  
January, and one in March.

Five of the remainder are  
attending the course at the  
London School of Tropical  
Medicine and Hygiene which  
ends in February, and the

other two are attending the  
course at the Liverpool School

of Tropical Medicine which ends  
in March. These officers will

therefore in the ordinary course  
sail in March and April  
respectively. I presume that

Edinburgh.  
Dir.  
Grade.  
Mason Smith.  
and more.

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You will be able to arrange for  
the accommodation of these  
officers, and I do not  
propose to consider the question

of re-allocating any of them  
to one of the other E African  
Dependencies.

3. On the basis given in  
your telegrams Nos. 452 &  
453 of the 8th & 9th of Oct.

there remain eight vacancies  
for medical & sanitation officers  
to be filled during the  
latter half of next year.

These will be divided between  
candidates attending the  
course at Liverpool which  
begins in January & ends

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in July, & those attending  
 the course at London which  
 begins in March & ends in  
 July or August, as may be  
 found convenient. You will  
 appreciate that the dates of  
 new Medical Officers,  
 which ~~candidates~~ became  
 available depend, on the  
 arrangements at the Schools  
 of Tropical Medicine, as  
 explained in my circular dated  
 10th of June, & that  
 it will probably not be  
 possible, in the circumstances,  
 to adhere strictly to the programme  
 which you have indicated as  
 being most convenient to the  
 Govt. of Kenya.

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4 ~~Dear Sir~~ Your wishes  
 as to the selection of unmarried  
 officers will be borne in mind,  
 and will be  
 met as far as possible. Any  
 married candidates who may  
 be selected in the future will  
 be warned as you suggest; but  
 three of the candidates mentioned  
 in para. 2 above have already  
 notified their intention of being  
 accompanied by their wives. They  
 will be informed that if possible  
 they should go out alone in the  
 first instance; but they can  
 hardly be required to do so,  
 as

as under the published  
regulations supplied to them  
when they ~~accept~~ were offered  
employment no special  
permission is required.

5. I regret that it should  
be necessary to postpone the full  
realisation of the proposals of  
the Director of Medical &  
Sanitary Services for an  
extension of medical work in  
Kenya. I agree that the  
rate of progress must depend  
upon the speed with which  
accommodation for the new  
staff can be provided: but  
I suggest that this aspect of  
the matter should have received  
consideration before Mr. Durbam's  
dispatch of the 1st of July was sent.

Shackburgh,  
Dunlop,  
W. H. G.  
Merton Smith,  
Gore.

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6. Arrangements for the  
selection of the <sup>new</sup> sanitary,  
nursing and other staff

required will be put in

hand as soon as the  
Estimates for 1926 have  
been approved.

(Signed) I. S. AMERY.

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- Mr. Cliffe 3.xii.25.
- Mr. J. J. ... 3/12
- Mr. Strategy
- Mr. J. Shuckburgh
- Mr. C. Davis
- Mr. G. Grindle
- Mr. Masterton Smith
- Mr. Ormsby-Gore
- Mr. Amery

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5. December 1925

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- Donnison Esq., MRCS, LRCP  
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Wimbledon E. 11. pc
- Gopall Esq., MRCS, LRCP  
Dingwall Road  
Croydon. pc
- Curman Esq., MRCS, LRCP  
Mineral Water Hospital  
B. pc

- Sir
- With reference to
1. the letter from this Office of the 29<sup>th</sup> of October,
  2. ~~your recent call at this Office~~  
~~of November~~
  3. the letter from this Office of the 4<sup>th</sup> of November,

I am so to inform you that the Governor of Kenya has reported by telegram that at present proper accommodation for ladies is not available in the majority of stations. It would accordingly be



Mrs Donison } to wait  
Mrs Gopall } in England,  
Mrs Calman } prior to

joining you, for a few  
months, by which time it  
is hoped adequate  
accommodation will have  
been provided.

W. C. BOTTOMLEY,