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FROM
GOVERNOR GRIGG.

DATE
21st November 1925

FOR CIRCULATION -
Mr.
Mr. *[Signature]*
-last of 18
De Shockey
Secretary of State.

RAILWAY DEVELOPMENT IN E.A.

(Tel from Govt Grigg and Cowers.) Refer to Item VI of Conference Agenda - Rly Communication. Defining areas in Kenya, Uganda, and E.T. wherein contemplated development may become competitive. Instead of complementary. Agreement vital to allocation of £10,000,000 loan. Suggest two large Railway Basins, ignoring inter-colonial problems, as basis. Tail work to other projects.

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Previous Paper

MINUTES

Govt 51354 K

I - not full able to...
and recommendations of...
Commission between Madangha &
Isakhi-Arushi

One tel. to Govt. Kenya...
To go. Temporary...

As regards Lake Victoria & the
Tabora-Mwanza corridor, my
impression has been that the
policy regarding the development of the
expansion, being...

- (a) He expected a traffic to be established at my - Kisumu, so that the line would carry more traffic.
- (b) He anticipated heavy use would be made on the Uganda Railway as he would have...

Subsequent Paper

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It is expected that he would work the
Kwana-Mukoba tracks more
thoroughly in conjunction with the lines
system than he has done and
would benefit the.

It may be changed, but would
be better because he has had to
increase his local electric services
and possibly to meet a heavy
demand for the Kwana-Mukoba
tracks. It is a line to the
Kwana-Mukoba tracks.

So far in the Governor Conference
is concerned, in so far as (why has
not Tanganyika had the Chinese?)

As regards the £10,000,000 loan for the
Government is whether the £10,000,000
should be used on the Victoria-Nyanza
line which the full Government has
been told that would be a loss
for the line is to be used mainly for
Tanganyika.

It is not clear it has been suggested
that the Tabora-Lake will be a useful
alternative route for
traffic but having an alternative

at Kalambo, I am little in fact
satisfied J. Good Mobility
28 x 125

now in 53191, 53382 and TW (Cromley) for
notes attached to the latter paper.

In view of the undertaking given to the
Chambers of Commerce, Home of Commerce, etc. I presume
there is no need to discuss the question of
any work on the Tabora-Nyanza railway
at all. However, TW (Cromley) may have been
suggested by Sir Humphrey, together with memorandum
and very prompt attention.

which the Uganda cotton, and his experience
of the African intergovernmental relations has led
to the fact of form for the Tabora-Lake line which
was not a work has proved to be a
failure. The other thing is a considerable section
of the route, especially the two miles from
the path 240 miles apart, is essentially a
- there gaps are left in the line.

Construction of the line is designed by
through hundreds of miles long from other part
Tanganyika in Olumbe and Pothohu the
Govt can just show abolition of this kind of
Government are probably enough to buy them. I think
that the sound system is to arrange non-competitive
lines (e.g. on a single line which, incidentally, would
give a 20% advantage to Kalambo), the advantage
emphatically in speed, safety, and general efficiency
and to even have to take to an engine.

I submit draft Kalambo for

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Telegram from the Governor of Kenya to the Secretary
of State for the Colonies. Dated 21st November
(Received Colonial Office 12.25 p.m. 22nd November, 1925)

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21st November Your telegram of 20th November
Agenda Governors Conference Item VI Railway
communication. After full discussion with the General
Manager Uganda Railway we consider that there is real
danger that the contemplated development in the near
future of the Uganda Tanganyika railway system may
become competitive instead of complimentary. Areas
where this danger seems to imperil are services on the
Victoria Lake trade of Bukoba and Mwanza areas trade of
Moshi and Arusha. The last named must gravely affect
the proposed re-allocation of Tanga Railway. Sound
agreement on these questions between Territories
concerned is vital to the proper allocation of the
proposed 10,000,000 Loan. We desire to urge that two big
railway basins should be defined so as to prevent
competition and waste of capital namely the Northern
system based on Victoria Lake and Kilindini bounded on the
South by the Southern boundary of Bukoba Mwanza Arusha
Moshi Usambara and Tanga Districts and Secondly Southern
system based on Lake Tanganyika Lake Nyasa and
Dar-es-Salaam including trade of Southern Congo. We
urgently desire (to) new reconnaissance of railway
connection between Mwanza and Moshi-Arusha District
believing that German Survey cannot be accepted as
conclusive. We are very strongly of opinion that unless
the question of railway development is considered
independently of the present purely artificial and
fortuitous intercolonial frontier we shall find ourselves
committed to intercolonial controversy on railway rates
and railway development similar to those which so greatly
prejudiced

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1919 telegram from the Governor of Kenya to the Secretary of State for the Colonies, dated 10th October 1919. The original is in the possession of the Secretary of State for the Colonies.

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produced and retarded development in South Africa. We are communicating copies of this telegram to the Governors of Tanganyika, Nyasaland and Northern Rhodesia.

Govt of India
5-25-27/2

and Code sent

Dear Mr. [Name]

- (1) Govern
- (2) Govern

(2) your telegram of 27 November
following telegram has been
sent to Governors of Kenya beyond

Received by
M... 3052/2

(1) and (2) there can be no question
of delaying completion of Tabora
Nairobi line which is regarded
as most important ~~by~~
interest here. Connection between

See
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the only way in which we could not
conclude necessarily for railway now
under consideration. In no case
for railway. But for goods with
the same rate as in unloading
case of improper competition
should of course be kept at present
level. It is at present
subsidised see no advantage in leaving
railway losses, as it is preferable
to merely to arrange non-competitive
rates leaving trade to take the
natural course.

(1) only} report to Governor of Uganda
(2) only} ends