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ESTATE OF ELATE A.A. TALBOT.

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Note - This enquiry was referred to the CO Secretary by Crown Agents to whom it is addressed. The Agents are being informed that it will be dealt with here.

Re: Talbot

Mr. Bottomley

Mr. Fielden brought this to me last night, and asked that an early reply might be sent.

We know nothing of the circumstances of Mr. Talbot's death, and are therefore unable to say whether his estate comes under the scope of Article 18 of 1915 - Death Duties (Killed in War).

So I am the writer, sending you a copy of Article 18 of 1915

Subsequent Paper:

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E. S. FREELAND,

H. H. PATTERSON,

L. L. SHEPHERD.

15, OAKHILL, VIC. LONDON.

TELEPHONE: VICTORIA 3205.

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this we did last month by cable, but we have now received a cablegram from Messrs. Allen & Hamilton, telling us that the Government refuses remission of the death Duties, which now amount to Rs. 22,100.

The cablegram contains no explanation of the reason for the refusal on the part of the Government to remit any part of the death Duties, and we shall be much obliged if you will be so good as to inform us what the actual position is, in British East Africa, in regard to the payment of death Duties on Estates, there, belonging to a person, who, like Mr. Talbot, died whilst on Active Service.

Is there not some local legislation such as that existing here, in the form of the Death Duties (Killed in War) Act 1914?

We shall esteem it a favour if you can let us have an early answer to this letter, so that we may be in a position to reply to Messrs. Allen & Hamilton's cablegram, which arrived on the 6th inst., and,

We are, Sir,

Your obedient servants

Nicholas Pattem (Freelance)

The Crown Agent to the Colonies.

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16th April 1920

Gentlemen,

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Nicholson, Patterson & Ireland.

Your letter of the 8th of April,
regarding the estate of the late Mr.

A.H. Talbot, as to ^{state} inform you

that he has no information
regarding the circumstances of ^{his death} his
death and is therefore unable

to say whether the estate comes
within the scope of the S.A.P.

Order No 18 of 1915 - Death
Duties (1915 - 1919).

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Mr. Jewell 15.4.20
of Bottomley 15 f

- Mr. Grindle.
- Sir H. Lumbert.
- Sir H. Read.
- Sir G. Fiddes.
- Col. Amery.
- Lord Milner.

of that Order & of The Estate Duty
Order No 17 of 1918, for proposal as
return to this Dept, as to suggest
that, in the circumstances, you should
communicate direct with the
Chief Secretary, Nairobi, on the subject.

L.G.

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46 QUEEN ANNES GATE,
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Sir,
Estate of the late Lieut. Arthur Aston Talbot.
South Wales Borderers.
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We beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 18th inst., with its enclosures, and, as the War Office have recently issued to the Commissioners of Inland Revenue here the requisite statement as regards the circumstance of Mr. Talbot's death with a view to the remission of Death Duties leviable in respect of his Property in this Country, we are to-day, writing to the Secretary of the War Office begging that he will be so good as to forward to your Department a similar statement in order that you may - if you would be so good - advise us as to the steps to be taken to obtain a remission of the Death Duties leviable in British East Africa.

Meanwhile, we venture to retain the Documents which accompanied your letter, and hope that, when you have heard from the War Office, you will be so good as

The Under Secretary
of State,
Colonial Office

to advise us further in the matter, as to communicate with the Chief Secretary at Nairobi would involve a very considerable delay.

We are, Sir,

Your obedient servants,

Nicholas Patterson & Freeman

The Under Secretary of State,
Colonial Office,
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5th May 1920
COLONIAL OFFICE

Sir,

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We venture to refer to our letter to you of
the 19th ulto. and we shall be much obliged if you will
kindly let us know whether you have yet heard from the
WAR Office in connection with this matter.

We are, Sir,

Your obedient servants,

W. L. Shepherd & E. Freeland

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The Under Secretary of State,
Colonial Office,
S. W. 1.