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25 JUL

FROM
O. A. G. NOTLEY.

TO
SECRETARY

DATE

TEL. 19TH JULY.

FOR CIRCULATION:-

- Mr.
- Mr.
- Mr.
- Mr. Grindle
- Sir H. Lambert
- Sir H. Read 23/7/21
- Sir G. Fiddes 25
- Mr. Wood 27
- Mr. Churchill

SUBJECT

CUSTOMS

Recommends an ad valorem duty of 20% with modification stated. Uganda agrees to all ~~the~~ tentative proposal. Strongly recommends a option of a tariff change, Tanganyika. Asks for a decision as early as possible as special session of Leg. Csl will be necessary to pass motion. Repeated to Kinshasa and Uganda.

Previous Paper

MINUTES

YN
35846

29.7.21
28/60/21 Kenya
(copy)
T. T.
70, B.T., Do T., Balf Customs 1 Aug 21
Memo to S.H., B.T., B.T., Customs 5 Aug 21

Cypher Cell? to Kenya
Zanzibar
Mombasa
T. T.

Mr. Strachey
Sir H. Read

16. see minutes on 35846

then elaborate proposals are much more difficult to swallow in a hurry than an all-round temporary rate of 20%, but it is to be presumed that Uganda will raise objection to a high flat rate

On the other hand, if we lay down 15% all round, as Mr Strachey proposes in 35846, Kenya will not see

Subsequent Paper

C.O.

38160

clarified. As a matter of fact the effect of any increase on a sliding base is merely conjectural and the main point is to collect as much money as we can without having to raise the rate of property ourselves. To some extent it is necessary to have a margin to allow for a rise in the rate, which would require us to raise the rate to 15% if the rate is now 10%.

Resolution last year (12) have the best of explanations other than financial (shirts) untouched for the present and apply it all round (included in the 1940 account) for August 10th

1941

I agree. There is nothing here to make me change the views expressed on 35346.

C.S.
23/7

I agree - at the meeting be ample to say that 7.0 of the decision taken to send them the memo: referred to in Mr. Butterfield's minutes on 35340.

* J.R.
23/10/21

I don't agree. - We have tried to keep that the most and drastically in order to escape the temptation of when her first proposal to raise the rate. I think 20% is a reasonable figure & require that there be about 15% then she will have a right to say of things governing. It is all the fault of the Co. and you must get us a grant - and then the Trust will have to read us

I should much prefer to let the local firm put their own proposals before the local committee. We have can't estimate the effect on revenue, but we are entitled to suppose that the local people

can only be achieved this.

Tanganyika will have to
open out its lines as the
the interests of the present
and the future of Tanganyika, &
peace and stability.

Uganda is agreed
Nyasaland can act independently.

25.7

Mr Churchill

I agree with Sir (F. Kiddle -
so now does Mr. Northrup -
I should be happy to proceed.

U.K. Kenya & Uganda to
Lower ~~20%~~ tariff imposed in
the Highlands.

Tanganyika & Zanzibar

to be able to adopt the same.

Nyasaland (which
does not desire any increase)
to be able to raise its 10%
tariff to 15%, in order
to show necessary tariff has
been done all we can to
raise money.

Kenya & Uganda
to be able to discuss with the
Government. all this has been
discussing since they started.

27.7

Note on diff. bet. Kenya & Uganda
Mr. Davis to see Mr. Northrup
on action completed

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Rec
23 JUL 21

PARAPHRASE TELEGRAM

From the Officer Administering the Government of Kenya
to the Secretary of State for the Colonies.

Dated 19th July.
(Received Colonial Office 2.5 a.m. 22nd July 1921.)

19th July.

Your cypher telegram of 2nd June Custom Duties
 recommend on advice of Executive Council in view of
 financial position ad valorem duty of 30% with
 following modification as a temporary arrangement until
 specific custom duties can be fully considered one
 spirits no change two 30% ad valorem; playing cards
 beers wines tobacco cigars cigarettes pianos and
 records pianos gramophones jewelry perfumery clocks
third 10% free wheat flour and tea sugar fourth 10%
 building materials including timber wood iron and steel
 and scientific instruments petroleum kerosene oil
 liquid fuel paint turpentine five free but except
 except petrol (soap engraved pictures books papers
 should be in 10% Schedule. Export, 50%. It is
 committee to be appointed to consider new tariff
 will include specific custom duties to be
 introduced January 1st if possible. Uganda agrees to
 all above as tentative proposal. Strongly recommend
 adoption of similar changes simultaneously Tanganyika.
 Would be glad to be notified of your decision earliest
 possible as special session of Legislative Council
 be necessary to pass amending Ordinance. Repeated
 Zanzibar Uganda.

only 36719/21 change

and

DRAFT.

The Sec. Bd. of Trade
The Sec. Bd. of Customs & Excise
The Comptroller & C. of F.

1 Aug 1941.

MINUTE.

to

- Mr. Alder 30.7.41
- Mr. Holt 30.7.41
- Mr. ~~...~~
- Mr. ~~...~~

I am etc. to transmit to you

~~to you for~~

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- (1) for the inf. of the H^o of Trade
- (2) for the inf. of the H^o of Customs & Excise

- Mr. H. Read.
- Mr. Fiddes.
- Mr. Wood
- Mr. Churchill.

(3) for your inf.

a copy of a memorandum showing variations.

W. V. S.
~~...~~ minutes marked X

in Customs duties which
are to come into effect
in the E. African
dependencies as
from the 10th of August
1921.

(Signed) H. J. FEAB.

36/14/11 Kenya 23
Very urgent

10th Aug July 1921

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10th of 18.
Foreign Office

MINUTE.

- Mr. Clark 29/7/21
- Mr. Parkes 29/7/21
- Mr. Bostwick 29/7/21
- Mr. M. J. Stacey 29/7/21
- Mr. Orville.
- Sir H. Lambert
- Sir H. Ross
- Sir G. Piddes
- Mr. Wood
- Mr. Churchill.

10/5/21

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I am to refer to your
letter N^o 4 4133/182/60 of the 23rd
of June, and to transmit to you, for
the information of the Marquis Curzon
of Kedleston, a ~~copy of a telegram~~
~~referred~~ statement showing the
revised rates of customs duties
the adoption of wh. he is
authorized, to take effect from the

10th of August, in Kenya Colony &
the Uganda Protectorate
Protectorate, the T.T., and the

ord

Zanzibar + Nyasaland Protectorates

~~Protectorates of Uganda, Zanzibar and Nyasaland.~~

~~The Gov of the Nyasaland Prot has been~~

~~instructed to increase the rates in force~~

~~in that Protectorate from 0% to 10%~~

~~the increase to come into force on the~~

(2) In accordance with the request contained

in para 5 of your letter a memorandum
is ~~inclosed~~ ~~regarding~~ ~~the~~ ~~reasons~~

~~is~~ ~~inclosed~~ ~~regarding~~ ~~the~~ ~~reasons~~ for the

increase of the duties is enclosed.

(3) Mr Churchill drew to emphasis

the need for special care in the

wording of any notification to the

foreign Governments concerned, to avoid

giving any ground for the communication

being repudiated by them as an

undertaking that customs duties

generally or on particular articles

will not be increased without

them being first consulted.

(4) Mr Churchill understands that

the Belgian Govt are anxious to

increase their customs duties

DRAFT.

MINUTE.

Mr.

Mr.

Mr.

Mr. Orville.

Mr. H. Lambert.

Mr. H. Road.

Mr. G. Fiddes.

Mr. Wood.

Mr. Churchill.

in the Congo, and he would suggest
that the Marquis Curzon might consider
the desirability of communicating with
them in advance of the notification
sent to the other Powers so as to

enable them to take similar action
if they think fit, but as the new
rates are to come into force
on the 15th of August, it may
be thought that time does
not permit of this course.

(Signed) H. J. FOOTE.

~~Handwritten note~~
File 3148/23
Mr. Strachey
9/30/06

Memorandum regarding the Tariff increases
in the East African Dependencies.

The reasons which have rendered
it imperative to immediate increase

DRAFT.

MINUTE.

- Mr. Clerk
- Mr. Postle
- Mr. Gwynne
- Mr. Phelan
- Mr. ...
- Mr. ...
- Mr. ...
- Mr. ...
- Mr. ...

the Customs duties of the
various East African Dependencies
are to be, and in the
economic conditions arising out of a
war. In particular, the
for necessary work

My view

prepared
for

Compare with the various other Services

Statement of Tariff increases
authorized.

T (H) Kenya Colony :-

DRAFT.

~~Every~~ increase of ad valorem duty
to 20% with the following

modifications :-

A. Import Duties.

MINUTE.

- Mr. Clark 29/7
- Mr. Parkin 29/7
- Mr. Bottomley 29.7.21
- Mr. Stacey 29
- Mr. Irvine
- Mr. H. Lambert
- Mr. H. Road
- Mr. J. Piddis
- Mr. Wood
- Mr. Churchill

(1) spirits : no change from present
rates

(2) Playing cards, beer, wines, tobacco,
cigar, ^{granoplats} cigarettes, pianos & records

pianos, ~~franklin~~ jewellery,

perfumery, silks: 30% ad valorem.

(3) rice, wheat, flour & meal, sugar:
15% ad valorem

(4) building materials (excluding lime),

for wine

chemical surgical and scientific instruments,

kerosene, kerosene oil, liquid fuel, paints,

soap turpentine: 10% ad valorem.

(5) Free list unchanged, except

petrol, engraved pictures, photographs, which

are placed in ~~the~~ Schedule of articles

on wh. 10% ad valorem duty is paid.

~~the~~ ^{13 Export duty} ~~Export~~ Ivory: 30% ad valorem.

II. Uganda Protectorate, Zanzibar Protectorate

and the T.T. - ^{as now authorized for} Tariff ~~in~~ Kenya in

I above.

III. Nyasaland Protectorate; - ^{ad valorem} Rates at present

in that Protectorate
in force to be increased to 15% ad valorem.

Revised rates to take effect from the 10th of August 1921