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DATE
21st NOVEMBER 1921

Mr.
Mr.
Mr. Bennett
Sir H. Lambert
Sir H. Reed / 14 / 21 / 21
Mr. [unclear]

ABYSSINIA
[unclear]

Enclosure copy of despatch from [unclear] suggesting lines of

Mr. Mackenzie
Mr. Hattonley

I do not think
Sandford is but I guess
with some commercial
There is and
sound sense in what
think he makes out
that we are not
Abyssinia and
For us to take
without exciting
France and
desire whether
at all
the governing
the Abyssinian problem.

the enclosure to the Governor of Kenya and the O.A.G. of Somaliland and ask for their observations; and tell the Foreign Office that we have done so.

[Handwritten signature]

Colonel Sandford was, I believe, connected with the Abyssian Corporation, or possibly with the Fanti Syndicate, a body which preceded the

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concerned, but we do not want to
 Governments to advise us as to what
 of His Majesty's Government should
 Abyssinia generally. Thus, it does not
 that the Foreign Office have sent a copy
 letter to the Sudan Government for their
 Really the matter is one for the
 Foreign Office to consider themselves in the
 that instance, and it is rather remarkable
 question of this magnitude, i.e. the future
 British policy ^(W. & A.) of Abyssinia should be simply
 referred by them to us in an L.F. for observation
 finally, as the whole matter ^{largely} turns upon
 relations with France and Italy, I should
 prefer to reply that before considering the matter
 the Secretary of State would be glad to have the
 views of the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs
 on the question.

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(Add & suggest that in
 first instance the views of the
 Secy. of State for Foreign Affairs
 should be obtained

13.12.21

Mr. Sandford was one of the party who
 accompanied Sir R. Lyard to Abyssinia
 on behalf of the Government. He is described as
 having intimate knowledge of the country.

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the Colonies, and, by directing of the Secretary of State
transmits herewith copies of the under-mentioned
observations as the Secretary of State
may desire to offer.

Foreign Office,
London, 1911.

Reference to...

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London 2...
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Should be sent to War Office