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RE. 26 SEP 23

FROM
GOVERNOR
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DATE

25TH SEPTEMBER 1923

OR CIRCULATION :-

Mr.
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Inst. U.S. of S.

Li. H. Head
27/15/23

SUBJECT

- (A) EXECUTIVE COUNCIL . INDIAN REPRESENTATIVE
- (B) LEGVE COUNCIL ORDCE1919. INDIANS & ARABS

(A) Reports refusal of Mr Varma & Mr Malik to accept nomination and that he cannot make nomination at present.

(B) Is considering draft Bill amending and inviting suggestions as to Indian Congress and Arab constituencies. Draft will be posted at once.

Is taking action on other points in C.O. desp. of 9th Aug. General feeling as to Command paper quite satisfactory.

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Secretary of State

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If the Governor can't make an Indian nomination to Ex. Co. then, for the time, an adj. of it. Mr Varma's admission that they must wait for instructions from India is eloquent: it means definitely that an Indian Ex. Council would not be an independent adviser of the Governor.

On the points we can only wait.

[We advised to J.C. a copy of our long despatch on 36978. Later we must say. Re-reported, but I should find time to have further word made for 24506, about the Ex. Council. Decision in a fortnight or other.]

6.10.27.9.23.

Previous Paper
24506 / Commission to Sec. Ex. Council

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Legve Ex. Council

Subsequent Paper

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ON THIS SIDE.

Sir J. Maitland-Smith.

I think that it wd
be better to send the
I.O. at once a copy of
our desps. to Kenya on
36978 (N 125 of 9 Aug.
+ a copy of our desps. to
Lyons (N 57 of 9.2.4)
on the same paper together
with a copy of the I.O.

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

Dated 25th September.

(Received Colonial Office 11.25 p.m., 25th September 1923)

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279 25th September. Your despatch 5th June

Confidential Indian Member of the Executive Council. I have interviewed Varma Member of the Indian delegation to London and cordially invited his co-operation. He declined to accept nomination to fill up the vacancy and states view strongly held by local Indians is that no Indian will accept seat on the Executive Council or assist in implementing the decision in command paper until local Indian Congress receives instructions from India on the attitude it is to adopt. Before my return Bowring invited Malik temporary Indian Member of the Legislative Council to sit on the Executive Council but I received a reply exactly similar to that of Varma. I understand that this is the case and in the circumstances I cannot make nomination to fill the vacancy. I am considering in Executive Council draft bill amending Legislative Council Ordinance of 1919 and I am inviting suggestions as to qualifications and arrangements for constituency occupied by Indian Congress and Arabs. The substance of these will be telegraphed to you as soon as ascertained. Draft Bill will be posted to you at once. I am taking action on the remaining points of your despatch of 9th August. The general feeling in the Colony as to command paper is quite satisfactory.

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4 October 1923.

Ms of S.
to

Sir,

I am to transmit to you,

for the info of Viscount Peel,
copies of despatches to the
Offs of Kenya & Uganda
& of a tel. from the
of Kenya, relative to the
Indian question in Kenya.

MINUTE.

Mr. Burt Sept 29
Mr. Pothmley 29/9

- Mr.
- Sir C. Davis
- Sir G. Grenville
- Sir H. Ross
- Sir J. Mackenzie Smith
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(Signed) H. J. READ