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The position will require close examination by the Colonial Government and its Land Department, but subject to such examination and consideration by my Executive Council, I suggest this brief and tentative proposal for your consideration. If you agree, may I assume that you will communicate with the Company?

I have the honour to be,

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Your obedient Servant.

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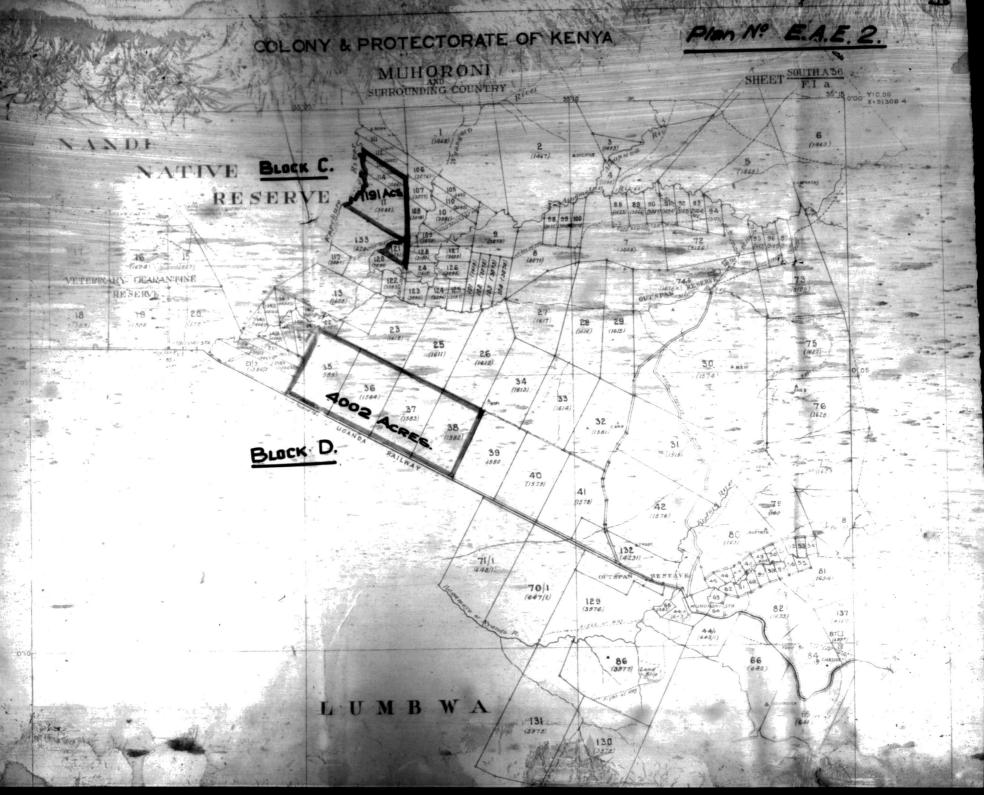
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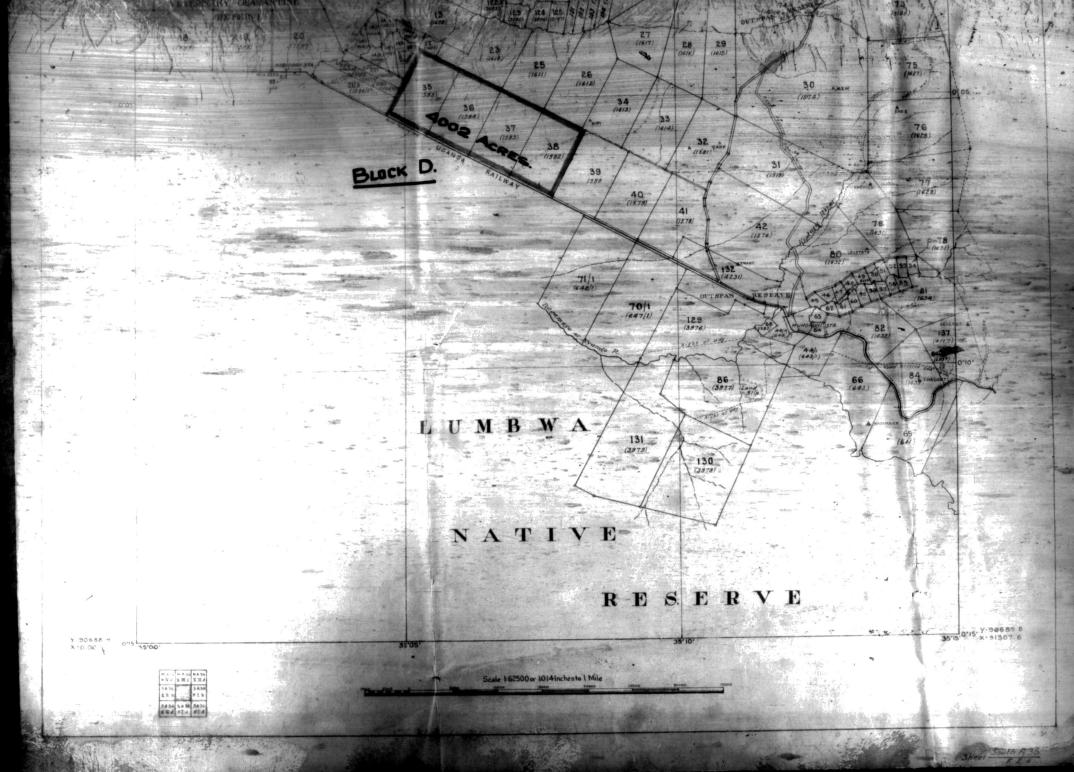
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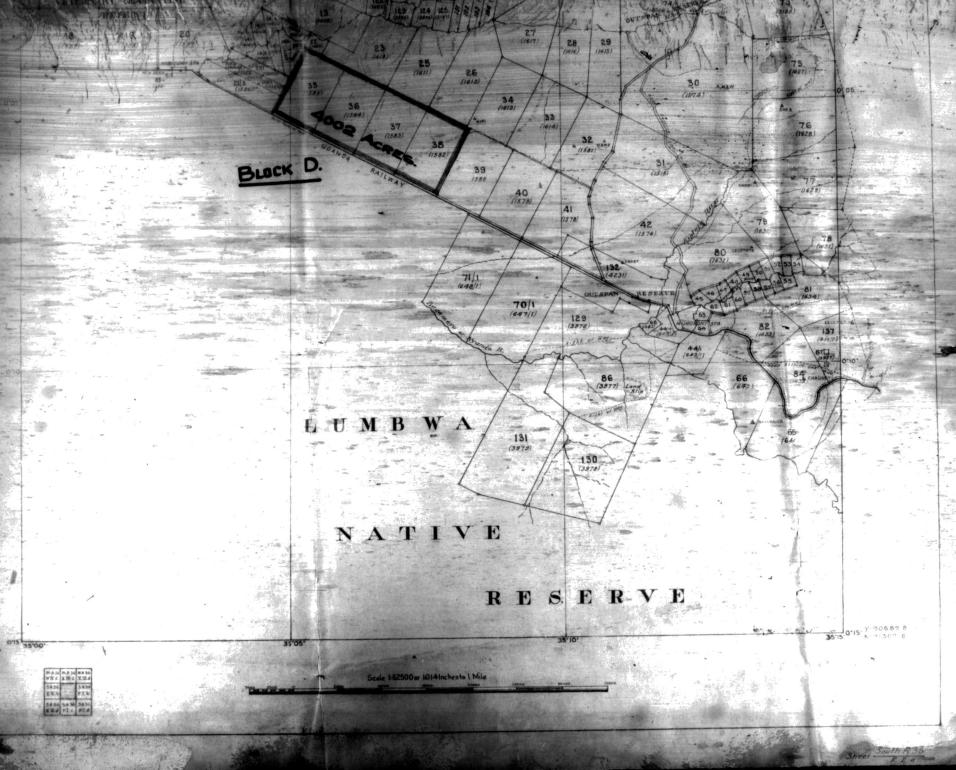
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