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LEAVE PAY EXCHANGE BENEFIT

1920

30th April

Last previous Paper.

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Trans further correspondence requesting an account of local commitments. Comments on unsatisfactory position arising from

*Mr Bottsby**Mr Brewster for comment  
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It is curious that Mr. Bottsby said a difficulty in executing the direction given to him, as by now the temptation to take wages, I do not see why a man should be led to incur more debts or to chance that part of his wages may well be issued at the lower rate if (as he is offering to do) he knew that the scale of it would be issued at that rate.

Subsequent Paper.

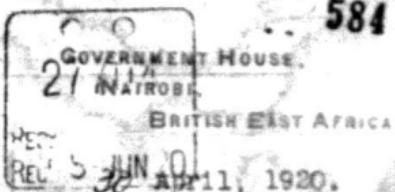
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AFRICA PROTECTORATE

No. 80

CONFIDENTIAL

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My Lord,

*Govt 12753*  
*Govt 25086*  
Mr. Watson 4. 20  
Major Gray 4. 20.  
Mr. Jones 4. 20

In continuation of my despatches Nos. 25 and 69 Confidential of January 28th and the 17th instant, respectively I have the honour to submit for Your Lordship's consideration certain further applications for the payment of leave salary locally to meet commitments in the Protectorate.

*Govt 12753*  
2. In this connection I attach letters from Mr. Watson, Major Gray and Mr. Jones. Their cases will probably be governed by Your Lordship's decision in regard to Mr. Kirkham's application vide paragraph 6 of my Confidential despatch No. 25 above mentioned.

3. Mr. Adams, Forester, has also applied for payment of salary locally with particular reference to a refund of Rs.50 which he has to make in respect of his wife's passage. I am of opinion that this is a genuine commitment and have approved of the payment of so much of his salary as is required to meet it at the rate of Rs.15 to the £.

RIGHT HONOURABLE

VISCOUNT MILNER, P.C., G.C.B., G.C.M.G., &c. &c.,  
SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES,

DOWNING STREET,

25086  
4. Mr. Bunbury, to whom reference was made in paragraph 2 of my Confidential despatch No. 69 of the 17th instant, has now withdrawn his application and no further action is therefore required in his case.

5. Before leaving the subject of commitments I may perhaps be permitted to refer to another aspect of the question on which I have not previously touched. The present arrangements appear to be a direct inducement to extravagance. An officer will be encouraged to run up bills locally before going on leave if he knows that his salary for the purpose of the repayment of his debts will be appreciated 50% while he is absent. I trust that Your Lordship will not think that I am labouring this point, but I must admit that the whole position is in my view far from satisfactory.

I have the honour to be,  
Your Lordship's  
humble, obedient servant,



ACTING GOVERNOR.

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INCLOSURE

Copy  
Despatch No. 80 of 30/4/1920

The Treasury,  
P. O. Box No. 65,  
Nairobi, 12th April 1920.

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No. 279/N.18a/77.

Sir,

With reference to Secretariat Circular No. 7 dated 10th February 1920 I have the honour to request that His Excellency the Governor will be good enough to approve of my salary being paid in full in the Protectorate at Rs.15 to the £ to meet local commitments while I am on leave.

2. My reason for this request is that I obtained a farm in the Irawadi last year under the Ex-Soldier Settlement Scheme and have appointed as Manager an ex-soldier who has now arrived in the country and is ready to commence farming operations. I anticipate that the heavy initial outlay together with the Manager's salary will be in excess of my whole salary during the time I am absent on leave.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

sd/ P. C. M. Watson,  
Asst. Treasurer.  
No. 279/N.18a/77a.  
Hon. Ag. C.S.

Forwarded in reference to my No. 291/F/14 dated the 3rd ultime on your S. 2375/80 dated the 28th Ultime. In this case there appears to be an indefinite commitment which must be met while this applicant is on leave.

sd/ H. H. Fushton,  
for Treasurer.  
13.4.20.

Mr. the Chief Secretary,  
Sir,  
the Hon'ble The Treasurer.

INCLOSURE

No. 111.  
AIS/2/172.

File No. 80/1/344-19<sup>th</sup>

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Office of the Chief Native Commissioner,  
Nairobi, 15th April, 1920.

Sir,

Payment in the Protectorate of Officers  
Salaries on leave. Secretariat Circular.  
No. 7 of 10/2/20.

I have the honour to request that Re.300/- per month  
of my salary be paid locally during my absence on leave.

2. This sum is required to pay the salary of the Manager  
of my farm which I recently obtained His Excellency's approval  
to take up. My Manager has been on the farm for 7 months  
and is paid Re.300/- per month.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

R. A. W. Gray

PRINCIPAL INSPECTOR OF LANDS

Hon'ble Ag. C.S.

Passed to you  
by - John Ellsworth,

Ex. N.C. 16/4/20.

Hon. Acting Chief Secretary

through the Hon. Chief Native Commissioner

Nairobi.

13th April, 1920.

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The Director,

Trig. & Tape Survey Dept.

NAIROBI.

Sir,

I have the honour to request that His Excellency's approval may be obtained for the sum of £5 per week to be paid in the Protectorate as part of my salary during my leave in England.

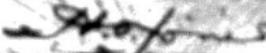
The sum is required to meet the cost of my local commitments on my house and property.

I certify that the above sum truly represents the cost of maintenance of the property and interest on capital.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

  
Major General J. W. Johnson

Major General J. W. Johnson  
Senior Surveyor.

Trig. & Tape Survey Department.

No. TS 3119

II. Trig. & Tape Survey Dept.

Nairobi, 13th April, 1920.

The Hon: The Chief Secretary,

Or the Hon: The Treasurer

The above application is forwarded and recommended.

  
Mr. H. G. St. John

Director,

Trig. & Tape Survey Department.

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