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SUPPLEMENTARY ESTIMATE NO. 4 OF 1911-12

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Two copies with memo, of explanation, to Treasurer. States how expense can be met.

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*W. Butler*

*In also 20693*

*Of the total Expenditure, £77,889 included in this Estimate, £6000 is for Oil Fuel Distribution (to be met out of balances) £68,000 is in respect of other C. budgets Expenditure, leaving only £4789 ordinary Expenditure.*

*The items of this Expenditure are fully explained in the Treasurer's Memorandum, and he has shown how the whole can be met from savings*

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to send her no hesitation in reply  
to submitting the Supplemental Estimate  
to the Treasury. In draft of 25/9/3.

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June 1st 1912.

EAST AFRICA PROTECTORATE.

No. 376



Sir,

I have the honour to transmit herewith two copies of a Fourth Supplementary Estimate for the year 1911-12 as passed by the Legislative Council on the 27th ailing together with a Memorandum by the Treasurer giving full explanation of each item.

2. With the exception of items No. 19A "Oil Fuel Installation for Lake Steamers £6,000" and No. 31 "Special Expenditure for Magadi £66,600" the remaining expenditure viz: £4,789 can be met from savings.

3. The £6,000 for oil fuel installation has been sanctioned out of surplus balances - vide your despatch No. 16 of January 11th 1912 - and the £66,600 special expenditure for Magadi is covered by the special grant of £75,000.

4. There will be savings on the authorized total of expenditure to cover the amount of £900 - Item No. 19 - for carriage of mails.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your humble, obedient servant,

*W. Bevington*

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THE RIGHT HONOURABLE

ACTING GOVERNOR.

LEWIS HARCOURT, P.C., M.P.,

SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES,

DOWNING STREET, LONDON, S.W.

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Explanatory Notes on Fourth Supplementary Estimate  
for 1911-12.

Item 1. This sum is required for the Pokomo Wasee who are to assist in removing snags from the Tana River so that boat traffic may be improved. (To be met from equivalent savings on item Tribal Retainers).

Item 2. In the estimates for the year 1911-12 the vote for Local Travelling was reduced from £1800 to £700 the latter sum together with £67 included in the 3rd Supplementary Estimate (item 5) has proved insufficient, and £50 more is required. (To be met from equivalent savings on the vote for "Travelling Allowances").

Item 3. This represents pay of 10 Station hands for Port Durnford. The opening of Port Durnford will help in bringing the Biakaya Somalis, via a section of the Abdullahs and the Abd Waks, Sheikal &c. into contact with the coast and the administration. The tribes named are very backward, more so than any, with the exception of the most northerly ones- They are far removed from the Station- Lamu being their nearest. (To be met from Savings on Jubaland Provincial vote).

Item 4. The sum of £ 1,000 allowed for Local Travelling in the 1911-12 estimates did not include provision for the expenses of extra officers who were travelling in connection with the Masai Move, and £367 is required to meet the unforeseen expenditure. (To be met from General Savings).

Item 5. This amount is required to meet the expenditure necessitated by the appointment of a Magistrate and Labour Inspection Officer for the Magadi Railway, where a large number of labourers are employed, such as travelling expenses, office furniture and wages of an interpreter. It was considered absolutely necessary, for the sake of the labour, to have an officer on the spot. (To be met from General Savings).

Items 6 to 9. It has been found impossible to control the expenditure on these subheads on account of the complete breakdown of Camel transport service owing to Camel sickness. This is also the first year in which any attempt has been made to allocate the expenditure under subheads instead of having a lump vote as heretofore. Similar excesses are likely to arise until experience has been gained to estimate for them accurately. (To be met from savings on items of N.F.D. vote).

Item 10. The work of the Customs Department having increased rapidly and to a far greater extent than anticipated the temporary services of three 6th grade clerks (1 @ Rs.25 per mensem and 2 @ Rs.40 per mensem each) were engaged to cope with the work. Necessary provision has been inserted in draft estimates 1912-13. (To be met from savings on Customs Department Schedule).

Item 11. The provision of £700 for the cost of a Mooring Lighter was approved in Treasury letter No. 17306/10 of 28th September 1910 and that sum was inserted in the 1911-12 estimates. Accordingly an indent for £650 as the estimated cost was made out and sent to the Agent General in India for execution. Eventually the tender of Messrs Charles Brown & Co. for Rs.16,000/-

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was accepted exclusive of freight. After a considerable delay and correspondence arrangements were made for the conveyance of the lighter across from Bombay by the German East Africa Line s.s. "Koenig" as the professional opinion in Bombay was against the original proposal of sailing the vessel across. The freight will amount to Rs. 3,500/- (This unforeseen expenditure will be met from General Savings and was taken into account when the estimated surplus balance on 31st March 1912 was computed).

Item 12. This is required to meet cases in which the Government has had to pay law costs (High Court Civil Case No. 24 of 1910 Crown v/s D. Wolfe). (To be met from General Savings).

Item 13. The Education Board, considering the expenditure for tools and the consequent diminution of the available grant for Native Technical Education recommended that a portion of the grant in aid for Sons of Chiefs be re-allocated to the grant in aid for Native Technical Education to allow of a capitation grant of £5 per indentured pupil being paid as a grant towards technical education.

Item 14. The Education Board at their meetings of 18th, 19th and 20th March 1912 recommended that a payment of £150/- be made to the Superintendent Buxton High School Mombasa for services rendered to Indian Education, the amount being met from the unused vote of £457 allowed for Mombasa Division F. School.

Item 15. Provision made in the 1911-12 estimates proved inadequate due (1) to more passages paid for than anticipated (2) passage of Serjt. Major Boyce's wife sanctioned by Colonial Office despatch No. 61 King's African

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Rifles of 17th June 1911 (To be met from savings on Military Schedule).

Item 16. This represents estimated cost of replacing 199 aluminium water bottles issued to the 1st Battalion King's African Rifles by the Nyasaland Protectorate before proceeding to East Africa (To be met from General Savings).

Item 17. Provision was made for the payment of 4 language bonuses, whereas 6 bonuses were earned, and £100 is required to meet the increased expenditure. (To be met from General Savings).

Item 18. This is for the payment of salary to Mr. A. E. Linton of the Nairobi Municipality for the months of February and March 1912 at the rate of £200/- per annum, whose services were required in connection with the Assessment of Nairobi, required by the Secretary of State. (To be met from General Savings).

Item 19. This amount is required to provide for the payment of the mail matter despatched by non-contract steamers which have commenced running since the statistics of 1907 were taken, and on which basis the provision in estimates for 1911-12 was made e.g. the Union Castle and the Italian Line- The Union Castle Line started running to Europe via the Suez Canal after the estimates for 1911-12 were prepared. It is practically impossible to form any satisfactory estimate as to the quantity of the mail matter it may be necessary to despatch by non-contract steamers, owing to the manner in which the time tables of the different steamer lines are arranged. (To be met out of surplus balances).

Item 19a. This is probable expenditure upto 31st March 1912 in England on oil fuel installation for Lake Steamers. (C.O.D.V9 of 8th February 1912) To be met out of Surplus balances.

Item 20. Owing to the very dry season experienced during the year at Naivasha it was necessary to purchase a large quantity of artificial food to maintain the stock in good order. (To be met from savings on Agricultural Department Schedule).

Items 21 & 22. Due to more travelling undertaken by the Game Warden than anticipated when the estimates were prepared. He visited the Usain Gishu Plateau in connection with the damage done to farmers by game, and also the Setik and Loita Plains one of the most valuable shooting grounds in the Protectorate. A serious attempt has also been made to supervise the actions of shooting parties and in making sportsmen observe Game Regulations. The number of scouts had to be considerably increased and different class of men had to be engaged at a higher rate of pay. It may be mentioned that owing to these measures an increase of revenue has resulted. (To be met from General Savings).

Item 23. The cost of this work, which mainly consisted of alteration to existing building, - a class of work which it is very difficult to estimate for - (Reallocation to be met from savings on "Conversion of old gaol into Police lines Nairobi").

Item 24. This amount is required for the erection of permanent Cattle sheds at Nairobi for conducting numerous experiments in East Coast Fever. The shortage of accommodation, as well as the unsatisfactory state of the temporary bached building at present in use,



seriously militate against successful results. (Re-allocation : Agricultural Department Special Expenditure Diseases of Stock).

Item 25. This amount is required for additions to the Survey offices to provide accommodation for the Computing Staff. (Re-allocation from Survey Department Geodetical Branch, item Local Transport and Labour).

Item 26. Provision was made in the 1911-12 estimates (item 40 of Head 80) for the erection of Sheep and Cattle Dips at Lumbwa and Luivasha. The Dip at Luivasha is completed and the Chief Veterinary Officer now wishes the dip provided for at Lumbwa to be erected at Kilindini. To meet this a reallocation of £28 (saved on the dip at Lumbwa) has been made.

Item 27. This sum is the amount paid for about 6 acres of land facing the sea on the Shella side of Lamu. In 1909 an attempt was made to purchase land at this place but the Government was forestalled and purchase could not be effected. Since then the urgent necessity of acquiring land on which to build offices, Customs and Government residences has become more apparent. The value of land there as elsewhere, is on the increase, and the purchase, which it had previously been proposed to defer for a time, could not safely be delayed any longer. In view, moreover of the remarks made in Colonial Office despatch No. 80 of January 19th 1912 on the condition of Lamu it was judged of the utmost importance to let slip no opportunity of relieving the congestion existing in that township, more particularly as representations are constantly being made in this connection by the Medical Department. (The amount will be met from Savings on Public Works Vote-Extraordinary).

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**Items 28 & 29.** Owing to the absence on leave of the Recorder of Titles it was necessary for the Acting Recorder to travel between the Mombasa and Malindi offices a great deal more than was anticipated. Further he expects during the last 2 months of the financial year 1911-12 to work in the field. £67 is required for "Local Travelling" and £38 for "Travelling Allowances" (To be met from General Services).

**Item 30.** The necessary details of salary of Mr. W. H. MacSwery, computer, at the rate of £250/- per month from 30th December 1911 to 31st March 1912. (To be met from savings on Coast Land Settlement-Special Survey Expenditure vote).

**Item 31.** The details of this expenditure totalling £66,800 are as follows:-

Refridging	5,000
Locomotives	12,000
Boxies	2,500
Extensions to Locomotive Sheds	4,500
New plant	3,500
Buildings	9,600
Water supply	12,000
Braking Stock &c	2,500
Brake Vans	4,000
Tyer Tablet	4,000

This is covered by the Special Magadi Grant of £75,000.