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TO BE ADDRESSED TO THE
OROWN AGENTS FOR THE GOLONIES,
THE ABOVE REFERENCE AND THE
DATE OF THIS LETTER BEING QUOTED.

TELEGRAMS, "CROWN, LONDON." TELEPHONE 1632 VICTORIA.



LONDON, S. W.

16th April, 1912.

Sir,

I have the honour to transmit for the information of the Secretary of State a copy of a letter from the Magadi Soda Company, covering a copy of a communication from the Postmaster General at Nairobi respecting the Company's right to construct telegraph lines along the Magadi Railway.

2. From clause 26 of the Company's contract for the construction of the Railway it appears to us that the Company is entitled to construct such telegraph and telephone lines as may be necessary for the purposes of the Railway, without requiring any further licence, or paying a fee. I have to request the Secretary of State's instructions as to the reply we should make to the Company.

I have the honour to be.

Sir,

Your obedient Se tvant,

Under Secretary of State, &c. &c.,

Colonial Office .

for Crown Agents.

The Magadi Soda Co, Ltd., to Crown Agents.

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Shell House

25 & 27 Bishopsgate, London, E.C.

11th April 1912

Gentlemen,

We beg to enclose copy of a letter which was received by our Resident Engineer from the Postmaster General at Nairobi through the intermediary of the Manager of the Uganda Railway, in which the Postmaster says that we must obtain a license from the Government for the construction of the telegraph lines along the Magadi Railway, and further that a fee will be payable for such license. We presume that when writing this letter the Postmaster General was not cognisant of Clause 26 of our Contract with you, dated 30th April 1911, and we should feel much obliged if you would kindly send at your earliest convenience the necessary instructions to the Protectorate to put this point right.

We are &c

Sd) The Magadi Soda Company Ltd.

General Marager's Office.

Nairobi.

No. 1818/210

12th March 1912



The following is forwarded to Mr T.A.Ross, Resident APR 12
Engineer, Magadi Railway, for information.

Signed) H.A.F.Currie,

Manager, Uganda Railway.

Copy of letter No.2483/11 dated the 9th March 1912

From - the Postmaster General, Nairobi.

To - the Hon. the Manager, Uganda Railway, Nairobi.

With reference to the communication which the Superintendent of Telegraphs is to-day addressing to you regarding the specification for the construction of the Telegraph line along the Magadi Pailway, I shall be obliged if you will be so kind as to intimate to the Resident Engineer of the Magadi Company that it will be necessary for him to obtain a licence from the Government in accordance with the laws in force.

2. The general terms of the license and the amount of fee payable will be considered in conjunction with the Honourable the Crown Advocate and communicated in due course

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