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Sir,

The Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury have had before Them Mr. Lambert's letter of the 2nd instant (29656/1912), transmitting a copy of a despatch from the Officer Administering the Government of the East Africa Protect ate recommending the addition of a five-cent piece to the subsidiary coinage of East Africa.

In reply I am to request you to inform the Secretary of State for the Colonies that My Lords concur in the adoption of the course suggested and They are authorising the Master of the Mint to prepare the necessary dies. Owing to the pressure of other work it will not be possible for the Mint to undertake this coinage, and I am to suggest that the Crown Agents for the Colonies should place the order with a private firm.

With regard to the last paragraph of Mr. Bowring's despatch I am to state that the Deputy Master of the Mint is unable to concur in the suggestion therein made for the following reasons:

Any form of hole other than the circular is objectionable. The triangle is probably the worst form of perforation owing to the great difficulty of avoiding fracture of the perforating punch. Any departure from the present form of perforation would involve a change in

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he Under Secretary of State, Colonial Office. the design on the coins and the manufacture of various new tools."

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Your obedient Servant,

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