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The 12th August 1910.

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His Excellency

The Under Secretary of State,

Colonial Office

Downing Street,

London S. W.

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Sir,

Ref 23860/1910 dated 8th August 1910.

We beg to acknowledge and to thank you for your favour dated 8th inst..

We quite agree with your statement that the Kibwezi land was originally applied for by Mr. Huebner in order to work the Sannseviers fibre. After having received the land and closer investigations having been made later on as to the stock of fibre available it was found that there were only certain small fibre patches which did not guarantee enough material to build the factory there. In consequence he started growing rubber at Kibwezi and built the fibre factory at Voi where the Government granted him 35 squaremiles of fibre land. For the cultivation of the rubber however on the Kibwezi land and the further enlarging of the fibre mill at Voi he required more substantial means than he had at his disposal in those days, and for this purpose he floated our company, the managing director of which he has been since the year 1906.

During this time we have been cutting fibre leaves at the rate of about 20 tons at an average per day, and our supply is at present almost exhausted. Foreseeing this calamity we have about

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machinery which we have bought would be absolutely useless, we are placed in a position which offers very little chance for success.

We beg to mention that the last 2 years have been more or less experimental ones for us and have been exceedingly expensive, so much so that the Government on investigation agreed to waive the export duties.

The Afro-American Fibre Co. not having been able to find any profit, have closed their works and sold them at a great loss to some Mombasa firm. We also hear that the Cullinan Fibre Co. have also closed and that the Masongoleni Fibre and Industrial Co. are going to close soon. So according to all appearance there is very little prospect in working the Sansseviera Fibre and according to our opinion this undertaking can only pay if there are ample funds on hand in order to employ the latest and best labour saving machinery.

We hope that by having acquired the best machinery in the market we shall now be able to make the decortication of the Sansseviera fibre a paying business. There are still thousands of squaremiles of this fibre which would however remain untouched unless this industry is being helped on through this most difficult stage of its experiments.

We therefore hope that you will kindly see your way to consider your decision and to let us have the 50 squaremiles which we have applied for. We believe that the British East Africa Government will fully recommend our application, as same has several times

times been inspecting our concession and has always been satisfied with the way in which we were helping to develop the country.

Should you require any further explanations please let us know, and, if necessary, our Mr. Huebner will be glad to see you personally in your Office.

Trusting to receive an early and favourable reply, we are

Sir,

Yours faithfully,  
Deutsch-Englische Ostafrika-Kompagnie,  
Gesellschaft mit beschränkter Haftung.

*Arthur Huebner*

RIED, KRUPP  
 G. M. B. H. (AG)  
 MASCHINENFABRIK  
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Magdeburg, Buckau, den July 29th. 1910.

gramm-Adresse:  
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R. F. P. H a e b n e r Engl.,  
 Director of Deutsch-Englische Ost-  
 afrika-Kompagnie, G.m.b.H.,

c/o. Hotel Cecil,  
 Strand, London E.C.

no 43552.

In der Antwort gef. anzugeben.

Betreff: Fibre Extracting Plant.

Dear Sir,

We beg to acknowledge the receipt of your favour of yesterday, and at your request we have pleasure of certifying that you have bought from us some little time ago a complete fibre desorticating plant consisting of a New-Corona fibre extracting machine, a crusher, necessary shafting and girder-work for same for the total amount of Marks 21750,- cif Bombay.

This machinery is nearly ready now and will be shipped in about 3 or 4 weeks to your Fibre Factory at Voi, British East Africa.

Yours faithfully

Fried. Krupp A.G. Maschinenwerk

*H. Hauer & K. Krupp*

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RIED KRUPP  
 G. M. B. H. U. S. A. I.  
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Magdeburg Buckau, den July 29th. 1910.

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no 43558

in der Antwort gef. anzugeben

Betreffe: Fibre Extracting Plant.

Dear Sir,

We beg to acknowledge the receipt of your favour of yesterday, and at your request we have pleasure of certifying that you have bought from us some little time ago a complete fibre decorticating plant consisting of a New-Corona fibre extracting machine, a crusher, necessary shafting and girder-work for same for the total amount of Marks 21750,- cif Mombasa.

This machinery is nearly ready now and will be shipped in about 3 or 4 weeks to your Fibre Factory at Voi, British East Africa.

Yours faithfully

Fried. Krupp A. S. Gruenowwerk

*H. H. H. H. H.*

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*Im W. 5.2.10*

Cronstein & Koppel Arthur Koppel  
Aktiengesellschaft

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Royal Oak

Berlin NW 5 den 29. Juli 1910

Postfach 23 46

Herrn.

Deutsch Englische Ost-Afrika-Comp.

Berlin N.W. 9  
Richstr. 6.

Dear Sirs,

On your request we herewith have pleasure in certifying to you that you have bought from us  
10000 mtr of track,  
4000 sleepers to complete 8000 mtr of track supplied previously,  
and further  
rolling stock (locomotives, waggons &c), total amount of these orders, being

M. 45000,-

(forty-five thousand Marks.)

The above goods have been delivered to your Fibre Factory at Voi, British East Africa.

We are

Yours truly

Arthur Koppel

*Arthur Koppel*

**R. WOLF · MAGDEBURG-BUCKAU**F1. **FILIALE BERLIN****MASCHINENFABRIK**

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FABRIK BERLIN

Berlin W 8, Friedrichstraße 58

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Fernsprecher Amt I Nr. 7999

**Dear Sirs,**

On your request we herewith have the  
 pleasure of certifying to you that you have bought from us  
 3 steam engines of 124 h.p. total capacity and to the value  
 of Mark 12000.- delivered free Mombasa. We are instructed  
 to deliver these engines to your Fibre-Factory at Voi,  
 British East Africa.

We are,

dear Sirs,

Yours very truly

