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Booker, Ltd.

Date  
1912

Time

Previous Paper.

PAYMENT OF CUSTOMS DUTY  
ALTERATION OF INVOICES

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Case

W. Butler

I should say that there were considerable difficulties in allowing conditions in a memorandum for how to be made ready. But I can't say for what, and therefore written says that a particular communication will be sent at a time and of course upon MS. 226.

W. Read

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June 22.

at midday  
P. G. R.  
P. M. II

Subsequent Paper

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H. H. Hooker Limited

TELEGRAM: HOOHERIA, LONDON  
TELEPHONE: 4621 CENTRAL

CODES USED:  
HIS MAJESTY'S POST OFFICE  
GENERAL  
SUB-PRIVATE CODES

D.W.

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IN REPLY PLEASE QUOTE

C. O.

83, Martins Lane

Cannon Street,

London, E.C.

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20th June, 1912.

The Under Secretary of State  
for the Colonies.

WHITEHALL, S.W.

Sir,

May we be allowed to put before you the following correspondence between our Mombasa House and the Chief of Customs at Mombasa.

The final answer received from the Mombasa Customs has necessitated bringing this matter before you, as it is a considerable hindrance to business, where a firm having its own Branch in East Africa, cannot be allowed to make an obvious correction in an invoice from the home office before paying duty.

We shall be glad to hear whether it is possible that some improved regulations affecting this matter will be possible.

We are, Sir,

Yours faithfully,

For and on behalf of:-

W. H. HOOKER LTD

ENCLOSURE, 4.

MR. RAFF

(1) COPY OF LETTER FROM W.H. HODGES LTD. NEBRASKA

to

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ASSISTANT CHIEF OF CUSTOMS

May 21st, 1912.

Dear Sir,

We shall be obliged if you will kindly allow  
Messrs. Townson Boulton & Sons to pay duty on the amount  
of \$265.7., and not on \$275.5. This is a difference of \$9.  
our London Office having paid us over by chartering  
buying com. instead of \$26.

Thanking you in anticipation,

Yours faithfully

(signed) J. Graham Dawson (Local Manager)

(1) ALBERT DE BRUYN H. S. REPLY LETTER TO HOME

RE:

REPLY TO YOUR TELEGRAM

ALBERT DE BRUYN

VALUABLES WHICH WERE TO BE SHIPPED ON  
SHIPS OF THE COAST GUARD ARE NOT HELD AS CUSTOMS "PRIZES"  
BUT TO OVERCOME A CERTAIN .R.R. CHARGE FOR ONE .T.S. 3200.  
IT IS PROPOSED TO WRITE TO THEM AND TELL THEM  
NOT TO TROUBLE ME OVER PRIZES  
WHICH THEY ARE NOT HOLDING.

YESTERDAY

UNQUOTE (REDACTED)

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C. O.

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TO C.O. L.M.S.

VERBAL REPLY BY ASSISTANT CHIEF OF CUSTOMS,

NOMBASA, to Letter of the 21st May.

"I am sorry but I cannot make any difference in

charges made by your home office."

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## LETTER FROM NOMBASA OFFICE TO CHIEF OF CUSTOMS.

May 22nd, 1912.

Dear Sir,

Owing to an error, a customer of ours here was charged 5% Buying commission in place of  $2\frac{1}{2}\%$ . The difference has been allowed him, and a memo. was handed him addressed to the Customs asking them to accept payment of duty on the corrected amount. This, it has not been possible for you to allow.

As you are doubtless aware, certain merchants of this town are extremely adverse to paying more than the exact amount due. We are quite willing to pay the merchant the amount of duty he has paid in excess, but for future guidance we shall be glad to know if it is an understood thing that you cannot recognise any errors in invoices from our Home firm.

Your kind attention to this matter, at your convenience would be esteemed.

Yours faithfully,

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LETTER FROM CHIEF OF CUSTOMS TO MOMBASA OFFICER

1912. May 22.

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Dear Sirs  
We beg you to remember a letter of ours of 21st of  
November last. As to coal, we request you furnish us 20 bags each  
bag containing 100 lbs each bag. Same is now paid. And we will need  
and expect to receive 20 bags each bag. And we will be  
able to supply all our coal needs from our own  
stocks and will not require more than 10 bags per month.

Yours

Very truly yours, Yours very truly yours  
John W. Major, Chief of Customs  
and Collector of Revenue, Mombasa, Kenya  
Colonial Secretary to the Governor of Kenya  
and Agent for the British Government in  
Kenya for the collection of customs and  
excise taxes and other revenues.

Yours

John W. Major, Chief of Customs and Collector of Revenue  
Mombasa, Kenya

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LETTER FROM CHIEF OF CUSTOMS TO MOMBASA OFFICER

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Mombasa, 23rd May, 1912.

Sir

I am in receipt of your letter of this day's  
date and in reply thereto I beg to inform you that I  
cannot permit any alteration on invoices to be made  
locally for Customs purposes.

I am, Sir.

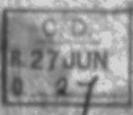
Your obedient Servant,

(Signed) F.W. Major

Chief of Customs.

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Mr. Hooke 27

Mr. Baddeley 27

Mr. Fiddes.

Sir H. Jud.

Sir J. Anderson.

Lord Emmett.

Mr. Harcourt.

I have the honor  
to communicate to you, for  
your concurrence & report, the  
responsiveness with  
acc. copy of ~~letter~~, which  
~~and~~ was sent from Messrs  
W.H. Hooper, Ltd., re. to  
the alterations of money  
in their receipt  
~~and~~ in the ~~letter~~ <sup>re</sup> ~~copy~~

~~W.H. Hooper, Ltd.~~  
to W.H. Hooper 28 June  
of receipt

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28 June 18

Dear Mr. Hooker A.A.

Enclosed

Letter 27 f.

gentlemen

I am to ask

the recd. of your letter of the  
20th inst. resp. the alterationof a condition of envoys  
on the receipt C.R.P.  
~~and~~ in the order of post  
~~at hand~~and, to inform you  
he finds it necessary  
that further communication  
to consult  
will be addressed~~To whom~~

so as a report has been

sent to the O.A.B. of

the ~~Emp~~ to Postmaster

in the matter.

~~making a long story~~

J. A. Jones

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J. A.

C. J.

2. a further letter  
will