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LAND ON MOMBASA ISLAND

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Last previous Paper.

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States Govt Land on the island available for public purposes is insufficient for requirements in near future. Sends letter from Mr Hobley on the subject. Has sanctioned purchase of certain land provided cost does not exceed £980. Trusts expdre will be sanctioned and approval given to rest of scheme being carried out out of accumulated balances. Requests reply by telegram.

Stc. for comm a tel: approving action already taken - + a letter to Treas^r asking for sanction to carry out the rest of the scheme.

*at once
to J. K.
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*Ansod let 24 March
Copy files and 26 March
Inward Secy. Copy above sent. 31 March 1913*

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15th February 1933.

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Mr.

I have the honor to report that in the course of my recent visit to Malindi it struck me very forcibly that the Government land in the Island available for public purposes was insufficient for the requirements which we have every reason to anticipate in the near future.

I accordingly instructed the Provincial Commissioner to go carefully into the matter and as a result of his investigations he has addressed the enclosed letter to me.

Mr. Ebbay has dealt very fully with the various sites which we either need at present or expect to require before long and I quite agree with him that any delay in acquiring them will involve a large increased expenditure, for there is no doubt that, as he says, the price of land will rise very considerably in the course of the next few months.

I have therefore considered his purchasing at once the land marked (a) (b) and (c) in his schedule, together with any property he can buy in the immediate vicinity of the Native Hospital, providing that the total cost does not exceed £200.

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THE SECRETARY
TO THE GOVERNMENT, N.A.S.
MINISTRY OF HEALTH FOR THE COLONIES,
DOWNING STREET, LONDON, S.W.

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- (g) Our agent (Mr. Anderson) who is in close touch with these matters gets on fairly shortly and if things can be obtained and certain purchases can be made before he goes, great money will be obtained. That is because even though eight months have gone it is no doubt that values will be still obtained. There is no other officer here with sufficient experience to be entrusted with delicate negotiations of this nature.
- (h) Statements of sites are frequently being obtained through Mr. Anderson and in the interests of economy I desire to be placed in a position to quickly accept, after careful review into the hands of my next officer, when the time is opportune by another person.
- (i) In order that Anderson may be satisfied that the operations will only be safe for such purposes as are really necessary, I will have prepared a preliminary list of sites which are desirable for the study of the team.

3. Other papers:-

Approved by Special Govt. Agent	Approved: [Signature] Special Agent
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(a)	Rs.	-
(b)	Rs.	2100
(c)	Rs.	-

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Can such be found on present Govt. land. Approx: Cost.

- (a) **Police Quarters.**
A plot of about 10 acres near the ... Yes.
- (c) **Slaughter Houses.**
Present site very inadequate, too small and too lanned in by native property ... No. \$250
- (f) **Fish Market.**
... No. \$200.
- (g) **Market.**
An area of land must be acquired if necessary, by compulsory acquisition ... No. \$300
- (h) **Continuation of the Main Road as a 100 ft. road as far as the Eleanoni Ferry ...** No. \$2000
- (i) **The conversion of the Mahua Road from a gravel track to a dirt road which will cover up a portion of the island which is very undeveloped and will form an important source of approach into the town. A great improvement of the road supply of the town comes in from ... and the proposed road will facilitate this, as the Main Road extension will accommodate the traffic from Eleanoni and the North.** No. \$1500
- (j) **The formation of a native location in the vicinity of the Eleanoni side of the island, in an ... to provide for the large number of ... which will be ... as the harbor extension ... and the ... for the ... of Eleanoni.** No. \$1500

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(c) **Explosive Factory Site.**

I would not propose that these
could be situated on the island at
all

(p) **Petroleum Stores.**

These should be on Railway land
on a site which will not interfere
with pier extension.

Yes.

(q) **Public Baths.**

This is an important item but
no great area is needed.

No.

£200

(r) **Government Employees in Mombasa.**

It is very necessary that an area
should be acquired in the native
quarter where Government Government
native employees could be located.

No.

£200

(s)

Other work will undoubtedly
arise in connection with the drainage
of the island and it is the opinion
of the Government that it is the
policy of the Government to do as this
work is to proceed to discuss the
question.

Total £200.

I verbally discussed the general question with His
Excellency upon his recent visit to Mombasa and he agreed
that early action was advisable and I believe suggested
that Mr Taylor and myself should go into the question
confidentially.

I have therefore thought it advisable to submit
general views for His Excellency's information and as a
basis for discussion and I would add that I shall be
extremely glad to obtain the assistance of Mr Taylor's
experience on this matter.

Mr Taylor will be in Mombasa about the 14th instant
and if His Excellency so desires I shall be at his
disposal

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The Sec. to the Treasury

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(Confidential)

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J. Anderson

is directed by Mr. Sec. Harcourt
Jain etc to transmit to

you for the concern of the
Liaison of the Treasury, the
Commissioner

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accompanying copy of a
dip. * from the Governor of

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the East enclosing a
memorandum by Mr

C. W. Hosley, Provincial
Commissioner of the Seyidie

Province, relating to the
purchase of land by

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by the Govt. on Manabasa Island.
A copy of a secret disp. to the
Governor on this subject, which
indicates Mr. Harcourt's views on
the matter, is also enclosed.

2. The Governor has ~~already~~ been
informed by telegraph that the
action already taken in
authorising the purchase of the
land marked (c) (4) and (7)
in Mr. Hobley's schedule,
together with any property which
he can buy in the immediate
vicinity of the Native Hospital,
provided that the total cost does
not exceed £980, is approved.

3. I am now to request you
to move ^{the} ~~the~~ ^{relationships} ~~relationships~~ to sanction the immediate
purchase of the other pieces
of land required by the Govt.
on Manabasa Island
as shown in Mr. Hobley's
schedule. It will be seen

that, so far as an estimate
of the cost can be framed,
the

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the purchase of this extra
land will involve an
expenditure of between 552
£6000 + £7000. There
can be no doubt in Mr.
Harcourt's opinion that
the matter should be
taken up without delay,
as the value of land in
the island is rapidly
rising & to postpone the
acquisition of sites required
by the Govt will only lead
to a heavier expenditure
later on.

4. As to the source
from which the expⁿ sh^d
be met, Mr. Harcourt
considers that this is a
case in which the
surplus balances of the p^{ts}

It should be drawn upon
It has already been
necessary to cut out of the
Est. for 1913-14 a large number
of important items in order
to bring the expⁿ for the year
within the limits recognised
under the half-half
principle, & it is feared
that to reduce further the
approved expⁿ would lead
to serious embarrassment.

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T. H.'s views as regards the
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at this time he fore-
casted, but that if
he finds it impracticable
to find the money in
this way he should
be permitted to draw
on the surplus balances.
In any event, Mr. H.
would propose to fix the
~~maximum~~ expⁿ at a
maximum of £2000,
exclusive of the
expⁿ already approved
on items (e) (f) and
(g) & c. At the same
time he considers it
desirable to ~~add~~ ^{add}
that in a matter of this
kind it is

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MINUTE.

- Mr.
- Mr.
- Sir G. Fiddes.
- Sir H. Just.
- Sir J. Anderson,
- Lord Emmott.
- Mr. Harcourt.

and difficult to estimate
 with accuracy the
 sum required that
 he must reserve to
 himself the right
 to approach their lordships
 again, if ~~the~~ circum-
 stances show that
 further expⁿ is absolutely
 necessary. The Governor
 is, however, fully aware
 of the need for keeping down
 the expⁿ on this ^{as on} other
 services, and his H. is satis-
 fied that he will do all that
 is possible to effect the
 purchase of the land at
 the lowest figure obtainable.
 I am to request that
 an early reply may be
 sent to this letter in order
 that visits may be sent ^{to} ~~to~~
 the Governor without delay.

I am etc

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DRAFT. Telegram
 Governor
 Nairobi

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24 March 1902

- MINUTE.
- Mr. Allen 21/3/13
 - Mr. Bottomley 22
 - Mr. Reid 24
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 - Sir H. Just.
 - Sir J. Anderson.
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 - Mr. Harcourt.

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