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Governor 360
Held

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CLAIM AGAINST SIR PERCY GIRAUD
FOR RENT OF GOVERNMENT HOUSE FURNITURE

Submits revised account with observations.

1995
3605
29 Sept
7 Nov
Sir P. Giraud
1913
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Mr. Harris
I understand that the p.p. are
with you, with a N'land paper.

H. J. R.
10/27/13

Mr. Plead

Yes - here they are with 17602 N'land
The reports look rather ^{complicated} ~~inconclusive~~
~~frustratingly~~ ^{unpleasant} I imagine Sir P. Giraud will not be very
pleased at finding his appeal ~~has~~ ^{is} ~~been~~ ⁱⁿ
an unpleasur. claim - re. ~~re~~ ^{re} ~~him~~ ^{him}.

C.H.
24 June 1913

See Macgregor
in Botany.

The chief point which the Governor submits for consideration

The Committee
and for decision is whether bedrooms for the accommodation
of officials should be to be subject to the charge of 5 per
cent or not.

The S.C.A. has apparently been asked for his opinion
in this case, and he said that the charge should not be
levied, but it has already been decided, as
has the comptroller's point out in his account of the
5th February 1913 - $\frac{4}{3200/1000}$, that the 5%
charge should be paid on all bedrooms (incl. Ceylon $\frac{15700}{97}$)
as this is the general ruling which has been
adopted upon I do not see that there is any objection
to introducing any variation in this practice, and
the Percy Commission should be asked to lay
down a ruling to conform to this default?

In forwarding the accounts account to the Percy
Commission we can give them the substance of what
the Commission says in reply to his queries in 3258.

but
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The charge for kitchen premises and outside should
be retained. It is in accordance with C.A. 289.

S.C.A.
Mr. H. J. Just

I agree

(The bills are in reply)

So do I, but I read this through
S.C.A. owing to the divergence of views.

See desk on Gov/15700/07 Ceylon
15.7.13

Secretary

My opinion (referred to in para. 6 of this report)
was communicated to his Auditor in Nov.
1912 and was based upon his decision in
his report to the Gov. of Hong Kong in 3203/12.
That decision however has since been reversed
in his report to the Gov. of S. Africa in a 1703/13.
I do not question his "general ruling"

[Signature]
7/17

Sir J. Fiddes
Sir H. Just

The Hong Kong precedent (3303/10/11)
seemed to go upon the fact that there
were certain bedrooms which could be
proved to be for public guests only.
The Ceylon case showed no such line
of demarcation. Where there are
such bedrooms they should be treated
as reception rooms but the exemption
should be very carefully scrutinised
in each case. The presumption
will always be against it.

about 15.7.13
P. H. J. 15.7.13
C. H. 11/17/13

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REC'D
GOVERNMENT HOUSE
NAIROBI
JUN 15
BRITISH EAST AFRICA

EAST AFRICA PROTECTORATE.

May 13th, 1913.

No. 360.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your despatch No. 126 of the 15th of February respecting the amount due by Sir Percy Girouard on account of rent of furniture in Government House during his term of office as Governor of this Protectorate, and in accordance with your instructions to offer my observations on the points raised by him.

Yours
3885

Accounts
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2. The attic bedrooms were first brought into use in August 1910. The accounts have been amended and at the same time amplified to show more clearly the dates from which the charges are made. The rooms above the office were occupied by the Aide-de-Camp and Private Secretary from the 1st of April 1910.

3. The charges for kitchen furniture and utensils

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE

LEWIS HARCOURT, P.C., M.P.,

SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES,

DOWNING STREET,

LONDON, S.W.

utensils have not been deleted as, it has been the usual practice in the past to include them, and the articles in question are required every day for the personal use of the Governor and his suite.

4. The furniture of the boudoir is not shown separately as this room is merely a portion of the upper hall cut off by a partition.

5. The Groom's cottage was originally erected for and occupied for a short time by Sir Percy's coachman, but as no information is available as to the date on which his services terminated the charge has been withdrawn.

6. I transmit herewith two accounts, one based on the ruling given in paragraph 3 of your despatch and the other on the opinion of the Director of Colonial Audit that bedrooms reserved for the accommodation of official visitors are not to be charged for, and I would suggest that one of the accounts with its relative ruling be withdrawn on a final interpretation of Colonial Office Regulation 389 being arrived at.

7. I am taking steps to effect the introduction of an annual payment for these charges.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your humble, obedient servant,

H. Cairns, Brevet.

GOVERNOR.

Bill of Government House Furniture.

Bill No. 1 based on the opinion of the Director Colonial Audit.

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	5% from Aug. 27 to 15 Sept. 1909.	5% from Sept. 16 1909 to 31 March 1910.	5% from April 1 1910 to 31 July 1910.	5% from April 1 1910 to 31 March 1911.	5% from Aug. 1 1910 to 31 March 1911.	5% from April 1 1911 to 31 March 1912.	5% from April 1 1912 to 7 Aug. 1912.
Excellency's Bedroom	623	947		922		833	1037
Girouard's "	1327	2109		2066		2350	2649
Room No. 1 & Bathroom	1045	997	950				
2 " 1st floor.	957	910	867				
3 " "	2120	2301					
4 " "	690	686					
Private Secretary's Bedroom				409		623	591
Secretary's Bedroom & Bathroom				481		457	480
C. & P. S.'s Sitting Room				670		728	692
Private Sitting Room				623		592	562
Servants Bedroom No. 1					578	550	521
" " 2					300	285	333
Chairs	357	340		315		450	556
Utensils	132	164		178		172	181
Carpet, Cutlery & Plate	1406	1459		1526		1617	1703
Library	478	510		540		924	973
	317	487		490		400	485
	290	310		268		1216	1280

S U M M A R Y.

13.37
301.98
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30.37
426.90
29.23
562.85
<u>212.99</u>
<u>1577.69</u> <u>2108.3.7</u>

9762	11190	1817	8618	878	11257	12053
20 days @ 5%	197 days @ 5%	122 days @ 5%	1 year @ 5%	245 days @ 5%	1 year @ 5%	129 days @ 5%
13.37	301.98	30.37	426.90	29.23	562.85	212.99

Dr. TO THE WEST AFRICA PROTECTORATE.

In Dec. 1914 No. 360 of 1914 37497

Re: Government House Furniture.

Bill of Sale of State Building (copies attached).

	From Aug. 27 to 16 Sept. 1909.	From Sept. 16 1909 to 31 March 1917.	From April 1 1910 to 31 March 1912.	From April 1 1910 to 31 March 1912.	From April 1 1911 to 31 Aug. 7 1912.
His Excellency's Bedroom	625 ✓	947 ✓	989 ✓	833 ✓	1037 ✓
Lady Girouard's "	1327 ✓	2109 ✓	2056 ✓	2360 ✓	2649 ✓
Bedroom No. 1 & Bathroom	1048 ✓	997 ✓	980 ✓	908 ✓	863 ✓
" " 2 " 1st Floor.	957 ✓	910 ✓	867 ✓	826 ✓	785 ✓
" " 3 " "	2180 ✓	2301 ✓	2122 ✓	2084 ✓	1980 ✓
" " 4 " "	690 ✓	656 ✓	623 ✓	592 ✓	562 ✓
Private Secretary's Bedroom			409 ✓	623 ✓	591 ✓
D.C.'s Bedroom & Bathroom			461 ✓	457 ✓	480 ✓
D.C. & P.S.'s Sitting Room			670 ✓	728 ✓	692 ✓
Public Bedroom No. 1				580 ✓	531 ✓
" " 2				285 ✓	333 ✓
" " 3				285 ✓	316 ✓
" " 4				324 ✓	343 ✓
" " 5				365 ✓	388 ✓
" Bathroom				32 ✓	28 ✓
Room's Cottage in Ground					
Bed for Guests Bedroom No. 1				319 ✓	303 ✓
" " 2				321 ✓	306 ✓
Kitchens	387 ✓	340 ✓	318 ✓	450 ✓	536 ✓
" Utensils.	152 ✓	164 ✓	178 ✓	172 ✓	181 ✓
Silver, Cutlery & Plates	1406 ✓	1489 ✓	1528 ✓	1617 ✓	1703 ✓
Stockery	476 ✓	510 ✓	545 ✓	924 ✓	973 ✓
Cass	517 ✓	487 ✓	450 ✓	460 ✓	485 ✓
Wash	290 ✓	316 ✓	268 ✓	1215 ✓	1280 ✓

Extension above H.P.'s Office.

SUMMARY.

13.37	
301.98	
627.15	
86.41	
836.06	
<u>306.84</u>	
<u>2171.80</u>	<u>2144.15.9</u>

9762	11290	12543	20	1721	17364
20 days @ 21	197 days @ 21	Year @ 21	20	Year @ 21	129 days @ 21
13.37	301.98	627.15	86.41	836.06	306.84

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C. D.
R. I. B. J. L.
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DRAFT.

Sir E. P. C. Girouard, K.C.M.G., D.S.O., R.F.,

21 July 1913.

MINUTE.

Mr. Sturgeson 26.7.13

Mr. Bottomley 17.7.13

Sir G. Piddes. 17.7.13

Sir H. Just.

Sir J. Anderson.

Lord Emmott.

Mr. Harcourt.

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1913

Sir,

With reference to the letter from the department of the 15th February 1913, regarding the charges made for prosecutions of members in Government House, Nairobi, during your term of office as Governor of the East Africa Protectorate, I am directed by the Secretary Harcourt to inform you that he duly communicated to the Governor the points raised in your letter of the 29th January last.

Copy sent 7 Mar 1913

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2. The Governor has now submitted

an amended account which has
been computed in accordance
with the existing regulation on

the subject, and I am to
transmit to you this statement

which has been prepared in
such a way as to show as
clearly as possible the date from
which the charges for each
item have been made.

3. With regard to the specific
queries which you have raised,
I am to state that the Governor
has furnished the following
information.

The attic bedrooms were first
brought into use in August 1910.

The rooms above the office
were occupied by the Aide-de-Camp
and Private Secretary from the
1st April, 1910.

The charges for kitchen furniture

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and entered in the books
of the account. It has
the practice in the past to levy
such charges, and the articles
in question are required
for the personal use of the
Governor and his suite. I
am to add that this charge is
strictly in accordance with
Colonial Regulation No. 389.

The furniture of the bedroom
has not been separately shown
as this room is merely a portion
of the upper hall cut off by a
partition.

The groom's cottage appears
to have been erected for, and
to have been ~~used~~ occupied by
your coachman, but, as no
information is available as to
the date on which his services
terminated, the charge has been

The information about
provided will show
to confirm to state
the various changes in the
account.

Yours etc

(Hendri) H. J. READ
for the Government of State

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Draft
Sir E.P.C. Gironard,
Kemb, D.C.

29 Sept. 1913

Answer 29/9/13

Sir,
With reference to
I am to enquire

W.H. 29/9/13
Saturday 29.9.13

whether, in view of the letter
from this Office of the 21st of
July, you accept the claim
made by the Govt. of the East
on account of rent of
furniture in Govt. House
in respect of the period during
which you administered the
Protectorate.

Copy for Capt 7 Nov 1913

(Hendri) H. J. READ
for the Government of State