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GOVERNMENT HOUSE
NAIROBI,
BRITISH EAST AFRICA.

EAST AFRICA PROTECTORATE.

No. 417.

May 30th, 1913

Sir,

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I have the honour to refer to my despatch No. 407 of the 28th of May respecting the proposed Customs Tariff Amendment Ordinance.

2. The Bill, as I have already reported, has not yet passed its third reading, and it has been represented to me that the opportunity might be taken of adding Acetic Acid to the list of articles exempted from import duty.

3. It is estimated that nearly one quarter of the cost of production of Ceara rubber is due to the amount of this acid used. Ceara rubber is in itself a low value commodity, and if it is to continue as an industry in this Protectorate its

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its production must be made as inexpensive
as possible.

I am of opinion therefore that the
addition of Acetic Acid to the list of free
imports might with propriety be made and I
should be glad to receive your sanction to
this proposal.

5. I may add that the Governmen
Uganda have expressed concurrence with views
on the matter.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your humble, obedient servant,

Henry Bejard.

GOVERNOR.

3 Jul 1913

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I have etc to ackn. the rec^t of

your despatch No. 417 of the 30th July

in which you suggest that
I may, ~~in pursuance of a proposal~~

to add Article 101 and ~~to~~
be added to the
list of articles exempted

from import duty, under
the ^{new} Customs Tariff Amendment
Ordinance.

2. Before ^{coming to any decision} considering this

proposal I should prefer

to receive an estimate of the
loss of revenue which

would result ~~and~~ from
the exemption. I should be

glad to know also what
then are any other imported

articles required in the
subba or other industries

in which revenue is

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W. C. Balfour, Secy. Genl.

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- Mr. Darnley 27-13
- Mr. Bostromley 27-13
- Sir G. ...
- Sir H. ...
- Sir J. Anderson.
- Lord Emmott.
- Mr. Harcourt.

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