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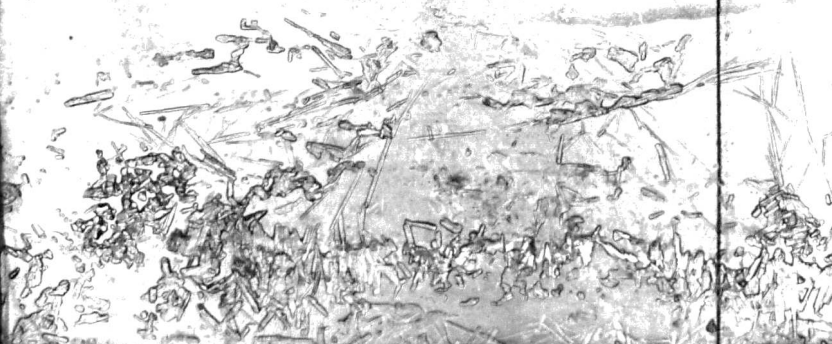
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GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
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BRITISH EAST AFRICA.

May 20th, 1913.



AFRICA PROTECTORATE.
CONFIDENTIAL NO. 58.

Sir,

In reply to your confidential despatch of 14th Feb, I have the honour to report as follows on the various instances of the above-mentioned Convention and the atmosphere of the Somali Jama Hersi.

A telegram dated February, 10th 1913 reached here on the 17th from the Commissioner Somaliland asking whether this Protectorate was prepared to receive the above-mentioned person at Wombasa. An affirmative reply was sent by Sir Percy Girouard and Jama Hersi subsequently arrived. By the same mail a letter was received from Mr. Byatt enclosing a warrant for his detention.

3. A house was accordingly taken for him

Despatched 10th 1913
Wombasa 17th 1913
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Wombasa 20th 1913
10th 1913

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THE RIGHT HONOURABLE
LEWIS HARGREAVES, P.C., M.P.,
SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES,

10, WHITEHALL, LONDON, S.W. 1.

him at Mombasa at the cost of the Somaliland Administration and the Provincial Commissioner was instructed to arrange for adequate police supervision. A copy of the memorandum embodying these instructions is attached.

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with the Governor of Uganda and
was sent to the Governor of Uganda with the
consent of the Commissioner Somaliland.

6. On his arrival there the legal advisers to the Uganda Government expressed the opinion that the papers which accompanied him did not constitute a sufficient authority for his detention and after further correspondence between the two Protectorates he was sent back to Mombasa on September 1st 1912.

7. The Attorney General had meanwhile been consulted as to the limits within which it was legally justifiable to restrict Jama Hersi's movements and he expressed his

opinion

opinion in a memorandum dated August 19th 1912,
a copy of which I attach. The Provincial Com-
missioner, Mombasa, and the Acting Com-
missioner, Berbera, and the Acting Com-
missioner, Zanzibar, are also informed.

On the 21st September 1912

... of this year
... which I attach, was
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... signed
... reporting his escape by
Italian steamer on the 4th for Kisumu. The
Acting Provincial Commissioner Jubaland was
immediately warned and he communicated forth-
with with Aden. The news was also cabled to
Berbera, but owing to the delay which had
already taken place and the faulty information
furnished it was too late to arrest the fugitive.

9- On the receipt of your despatch from
which I learnt that Jama Hersi had succeeded
in making good his escape and might cause
complications

Complications in Northern Semaliland I called upon the Provincial Commissioner and the Officer in charge of the Police Mombasa to furnish an explanation of their failure in the first place

to absolve the local officers concerned from responsibility for the consequences of their inaction I may perhaps be permitted to observe that this particular form of detention under supervision without the power to confine the person of the detenu is extremely difficult to carry out effectively, particularly in a busy seaport like Mombasa. In my opinion Jama Hersi ought to have been placed in an inland station at some distance from the Railway

I have the honour to be,

Your obedient servant

W. Lindsay Beckett

GOVERNOR.

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ENCLOSURE

March 24 1913

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MAR 24 1913

The Provincial Commissioner.

Mombasa.

Re Warrant for the arrest of Jama.

Let your attention of yesterday date.

The Honourable Crown Advocate advises that
it could not be backed by His Excellency
the Governor.

Will you please make arrangements for the
accommodation of the Somali Jama Hersi by
renting a house; the cost will be a charge
against the Somaliland Government.

You should also see that the Somali is
kept under proper Police supervision and for
this purpose will you kindly arrange with
the Police authorities.

W. J. Munson

For Chief Secretary.

W. J. Munson, Esq. Chief Office

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INCLOSURE No. 2

In Despatch No. 58 of May 30, 1913

Hon. Ag. Chief Secretary.

REPLY TO THE LETTER OF THE 17th INST. OF THE 17th INST.

REPLY

It is not to be allowed to leave Uganda he

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Secretary of State and has not been sought.

AIROBI.

9th August, 1913.

SU/ R. M. Combe

ATTORNEY GENERAL.

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In Reply, Please Refer to File No. 3

Office of the Commissioner of Police
New York City

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Very truly yours,
J. P. [REDACTED]
S. J. [REDACTED]
S. J. [REDACTED]

In Reply, Please Refer to File No. 3

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ENCLOSURE

In District No. 36

Department of the Interior

Office

Washington, D.C.

I hereby certify that the enclosed documents are true and correct copies of the original documents on file in the office of the Assistant Commissioner of the Department of the Interior, and that the same are being furnished to you for your information.

I have signed

the enclosed

W. D. H. [Signature]

Assistant Commissioner

In the absence of Principal Commissioner

Mombasa,

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May 9th, 1913.

No. 170/59/12

Mr. Kiri Bwala

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge your No. 124 of 29th ult. re the above person who was reported to me on the

2. The disappearance of this man was reported to me on the 5th February. I received the letter late in the day but as I was very busy clearing up my correspondence before proceeding to Shimoni on inspection duty I overlooked it.

I left for Shimoni at 5.30 a.m. on the 6th February per the steamer Kawish. When I reached Shimoni I remembered that I had issued no definite instructions and no D.C. had been given a change of D.C. on the 4th February I thought it possible that the D.C. might not have seen the report so I wrote to the D.C. Shimoni and told him to advise the Secretariat and Ag.P.C. Kisumu, this he did on the 10th. If a change of D.C. had not been coincident with the man's disappearance, and I had not happened to go to Shimoni just then the regrettable delay would not have occurred. I am not blaming the D.C. but the outgoing and incoming men were at the time fully engaged in handing over and receiving the books etc.

3. With regard to his escape I have made inquiries of the Superintendent of Police and am informed that this man previous to being sent to Uganda reported daily at the Police Station to receive his ration allowance. On his return from Uganda this arrangement was changed by the Ag.P.C. and his rations issued from his office.

4. In January last he petitioned Government with regard to

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... there is nothing to prove ... Somali was i
... at large ... making a passage by a passing steamer; for
... as I point ... in my letter No.21/80/11 of January 9th 1913
... to the Hon. Attorney General (copy enclosed) although the
... by sailing craft is fairly good there
... over the passengers ... steamer.

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

Sd/ C.W.Hobley.

Provincial Commissioner.

The Hon. Chief Secretary.

Nairobi.

Protector's Office,

May 22, 1915.

I have the honor to acknowledge your attention to the matter of the... (text is mostly obscured by ink blots)

It is noted to have been stated to show it would appear that the entire... (text is mostly obscured by ink blots)

The Hon. Attorney General,
Nairobi.

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of the unjust, of his departure and the question of
his return to the country. He last reported at the Police Station
on 2nd September 1912 and requested permission for an inter-
view with the R.C. and since that date apparently the
police has no information of his movements, but received
information about the beginning of February that he had left
the country. Information in my file as to why the prisoner
was released was obtained. A large steamer, some like the
one which was used to bring the political prisoners
to the coast, there is nothing to prevent any Somali who
at large is seeking a passage by a passing steamer; for
as I pointed out in my letter No. 21/80/11 of January 9th 1913
to the Hon. Attorney General (copy enclosed) although the
control over passengers by sailing craft is fairly good there
is no control over the passengers on a steamer.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

sd/ C.W. Hobley.

Provincial Commissioner.

The Hon. Chief Secretary.

Nairobi.

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Protectorial Commissioner's Office,

January 22, 1912.

I have the honor to receive your attention to the matter of vessels... which have been... the... that with... the... of...

It would be desirable to have a rule... that no natives should be allowed to ship or be shipped on any native vessel other than one registered as a port in this Protectorate. This is I think important as in the course of a year many unregistered dhows leave the ports for obscure parts on the Persian Gulf and coast of Aden, as the sailing of these has practically ceased on this coast there is nothing to prevent natives being conveyed on board and then being delivered at a port in Arabia and sold as slaves.

Yours faithfully,

The Hon. Attorney General,
Nairobi.

Under the present law, the power given under the present law is apparently not extended to regular steamers and there is nothing to prevent large number of natives being shipped as deck passengers to South West Africa, Southern and elsewhere, since control is not exercised in connection and I would be glad to be advised if any change is made and if so under what provisions.

I have in the meantime been in touch with the various shipping companies and will advise you as to any action taken.

Yours faithfully,
 J. H. H. H. H. H.

General Commissioner.

No. 2401/15/12.

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Office of the Commissioner of Police,

Mombasa,

5th June 1913.

SIR,

With reference to your D. 1215 dated 11-5-13 I have the honour to forward for your information a copy of a letter from the Hon. Mr. J. G. ...

The Hon. Mr. ... has been ... management ... daily ... the Supdt. of Police, Mombasa, ... of his absence ... of 3 days afterwards, ... concurrence with the ... Mombasa, as expressed in his number 170/59/12 of 9-5-13; I know of no means short of actual detention by which either an Asiatic or an African could be prevented effectively from leaving Mombasa.

etc
I have the honour to be,

Your obedient servant,

W. K. ...

Commissioner,

M.A. Police.

Chief Secretary,
Mombasa.

No. 110

Supt. of Police's Office,
Mombasa, East Africa

Handwritten scribble with a signature-like mark.

The Superintendent of Police,

To,

Mr. J. S. [Name illegible],
[Address illegible]

Mr. J. S. [Name illegible] of [Address illegible] [Address illegible] was on [Address illegible] was absent [Address illegible] at the Police Station and [Address illegible] he was afterwards [Address illegible] but returned here in September. The [Address illegible] for his [Address illegible] were then [Address illegible] by the [Address illegible] and he was paid monthly by [Address illegible] Commissioner. He kept [Address illegible] and [Address illegible] [Address illegible] the [Address illegible] on [Address illegible] the 1st February, he managed to get on [Address illegible] which sailed at day- [Address illegible] On the evening of the 4th we found [Address illegible] on the 5th I notified the [Address illegible]

Mr. Hersi went to Port Said and returned from there to Djibouti.

Had immediate action been taken, he would have been caught at Aden.

[Signature] R. W. B. Robertson-Rustace,
Superintendent of Police.

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ENCLOSURE ²⁰⁷

In despatch No. 58 of May 30th 1913

20th May 1913. 724

The Hon. the Secretary of State
Foreign Office.

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 14th inst. in relation to the case of the Hon. the Secretary of State, and in reply to inform you that the same has been referred to the proper authorities for their consideration. It is desired that you should be made fully aware of the fact that the Hon. the Secretary of State is not in a position to be held responsible for the delay in the settlement of the case, as the same is entirely dependent upon the action of the other authorities concerned. The delay so mentioned is attributed to the delay in the receipt of the necessary information, and it is therefore desired that you should be made fully aware of the fact that you were engaged on other duties. The delay so mentioned is attributed to the delay in the receipt of the necessary information, and it is therefore desired that you should be made fully aware of the fact that you were engaged on other duties. The delay so mentioned is attributed to the delay in the receipt of the necessary information, and it is therefore desired that you should be made fully aware of the fact that you were engaged on other duties.

M. G. G. Harding
Chief Secretary.

PUBLIC RECORD OFFICE, LONDON

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ENCLOSURE No 8

In Despatch No. 58 of May 30th 1913

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Nairobi,

May 29th 1913.

Confidential.

The Commissioner of Police,
Nairobi.

Letter No. 421/1913 of the 28th inst.
re: the escape of Mrs. Haral.

His Excellency desires that the officer in charge of the Police at Mombasa should be informed that he is in His Excellency's opinion responsible for the escape of the person above-mentioned and that he is deserving of censure for neglecting to arrange that the said person should be seen daily by a Police Officer. Had this procedure been followed the escape would have been known on the day following that on which it took place.

C. C. Bowring

Chief Secretary.

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