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Sabaland development scheme

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at previous Paper.

Notes that Mr. Argyropoulos cannot produce any lease or agreement to lease for Sabaland. Sends list of members of Sabaland

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Walford

In view of this I think we might ask the Govt by telegraph, with ref. to Govt 17580, what will be the rent per acre of Mr. Argyropoulos's holdings when the land is producing, & what is the term of his lease, adding that Mr. Walford asks for the information on the whole. I would not ask Mr. Walford to pay the cost of the telegram (see 14702).

Note Mr. Shelphord's name in the list

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d. Shareholders.

↳ submit a draft telegram.

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TELEGRAMS
"HINKER" LONDON
TELEPHONE
41 5300 LONDON WALL



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12, GREAT ST. HELENS,
LONDON, E.C.

23rd June, 1910.

Sir,

Replying to your letter 18708/1910, I beg to inform you that Mr. Argyropoulos cannot produce any lease, or agreement to lease the property in Jubaland, as no documents have, as yet, been handed to him by the Land Office at Nairobi. Mr. Nesbitt (who is also working with me in this matter) owns small plots of land in Gobwen, Kismayu and Sireni, and although he has occupied the land for some years and erected constructions thereon at the two before mentioned places, he is in exactly the same position. It appears that the Land Office in Nairobi have hitherto taken an extraordinary long time to survey the land and hand over any title deeds.

Mr. Argyropoulos has heard unofficially that the rent when the land is producing, would be three annas per acre, but it is more important that I should know this from an official source, also the length of lease, stated to be 99 years.

The absence of official documents required by my Solicitors places my Syndicate in a very difficult position for the formation of a Company. We are losing valuable time, especially so long as Mr. Argyropoulos is here, any planting on his concessions must remain in abeyance. We are also unable to take over, organise and improve the steamship service on the Jubaland, to which I believe, H. M. Government attach some importance.

I enclose a list of the members of our Syndicate.

I am, Sir,

Yours faithfully,

J.N.W. SYNDICATE, LTD.

S. Spaldford

The Under Secretary of State,

COLONIAL OFFICE, S.W.

Director

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J. N. W. SYNDICATE, LTD.,

Capital £3,000

LIST OF SHAREHOLDERS.

	<u>SHARES.</u>
REINBURGA SYNDICATE, LTD., 84, Bishopsgate St, E.C.	500
NEWELL George William Director of Bank of British West Africa 23, Billiter St, E.C.	250
NESBITT George James (Messrs. A & W. Nesbitt) 10, Fenchurch Avenue, E. C.	250
WALFORD G. P. 50, Courtfield Gardens, South Kensington	300
FURER Otto R. 84, Bishopsgate St, E.C.	200
BURGOYNE Peter Bond 5, Dowgate Hill, E.C.	250
HOLMES Samuel Henry Shalam House, Anlaby Road, Hull.	250
DUMN James Director Messrs. Vickers, Sons & Maxim 32, Victoria St, Westminster	100
MATTHEWS, WRIGHTSON & CO., 55/56, Bishopsgate St, Within, E. C. & LLOYDS	100
VOULES FRANCIS MINCHIN, 84, Bishopsgate St, Within, E.C.	100
OWENS Thomas George Chief Constructor, Messrs. Vickers Sons & Maxim 32, Victoria St, S.W.	100
GRIFFITHS Mrs. J. Norton 3, West Halkin St, Belgrave Square, W.	100
SHELFORD Frederick (Messrs. Baker & Shelford) 1, Victoria St, S. W.	100
COFFIN John Thomas c/o Messrs. Vickers Sons & Maxim 32, Victoria St, S.W.	100
FRANCO CANADIAN AGENCY of LONDON LTD Norfolk House, Laurence Poutney	100

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LIST OF SHAREHOLDERS in J. N. W. SYNDICATE (continued)

	<u>SHARES.</u>
DUFORT John Charles 25, Queens Gate, S.W.	50
BLUCHER von Wahlstatt, Count Gebhard, Lebrecht 56, Courtfield Gardens, S.W.	50
SMITH James Walker 88, Bishopsgate St, E.C. & Lloyds	50
SMITH Sydney Lea 88, Bishopsgate St, E.C. & Lloyds	50

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25 June

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Telegram

Governor

Nairobi

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Mr. Butler June 25

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Mr. Fiddes 25

Mr. Just

Mr. Cox

Sir C. Lucas.

Sir F. Hopwood.

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