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at subsequent PaperSITUATION ON THE S. ABYSSINIAN FRONTIER
DEATH OF CAPT AYLMER.

Trs copy of telegraphic correspondence with
Adis Ababa re the compensation to be demanded from the
Abyssinian Govt.

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The Under-Secretary of State
Foreign Office,
London.



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The Under-Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs presents
his compliments to the Under-Secretary of State for the
Colonies, and, by direction of the Secretary of
State, transmits herewith copies of the ~~unpublished papers~~
telegraphic correspondence with the Minister at Adis-
ababa respecting the ~~recent~~ ^{15th} ~~arrangement~~ ^{15th} ~~of~~ ^{15th}
Foreign Office.

15th
July 1913.

Reference to previous letter:

The text of the letter of today's date is as follows:

Description of Inclosure.

Name and Date.

Subject.

Telegram from Mr. Shipper, H.M. Consul,
Adisababa, 15th June 4.

Telegram to Mr. Shipper,
15th June 9.

Death of Captain in Abyssinia
in the East Africa Protectorate.

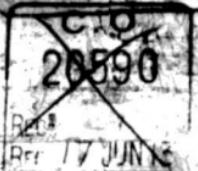
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Paraphrase) Telegram from Mr. Thesiger (Addis Ababa).

To Foreign Office, Date June 4th, 1913.

No. 13



Death of Captain Aylmer.

I would beg that I may be authorized to insist on the following points being accepted without delay or discussion:

(1) Frontier should be rectified according to the map referred to in your despatch No. 74 of August 3rd, 1911; (2) 300,000 dollars should be paid to Captain Aylmer's family; (3) not less than ten of the guilty band should be executed, half at Moyale, half here. I have ordered the Abyssinian Government to send an expedition without delay to capture or destroy all bands of hunters on the frontier, the men guilty of Captain Aylmer's death to be held at my disposal. The responsible chiefs will receive instructions at once in these terms. I have informed the Abyssinian Government that I reserve the question of compensation for the present.

Sent to East Africa.

(Paraphrase) of Telegram to Mr. Theaiger (Addis Ababa)

Foreign Office, June 9th, 1913.

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Your telegram No. 13 of June 4th.

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Captain Aylmer's murder.

We have at present received no particulars and cannot come to a final decision as to compensation until we have. With regard to the acceptance of our terms without delay or discussion you must bear in mind the extreme difficulty of enforcing it if the Abyssinians prove obdurate and that is therefore inadvisable to exclude all discussion. Meanwhile you may demand in general terms the punishment of the guilty persons and the rectification of the frontier as you propose and add that further instructions will be sent you as to other terms. You should base your demand for rectification on the necessity of being able to patrol the frontier, as shown by Captain Aylmer's murder.