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Arab labour for Coast plantations

Concurs on proposal that for the convenience
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Mr. Bramley

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of date 15th of February 7th. (3563/1913)

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It is requested that in any further communication on this subject, the undermentioned letter and number may be quoted, and the reply addressed to—

The Under Secretary of State for India.

India Office,
Whitehall,
London, S.W.

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INDIA OFFICE,

WHITEHALL,

LONDON, S.W.

14th February 1913.



Sir,

With reference to your letter of the 7th February 1913, No. 3563, as to the recruitment of Arab coolies for work in British East Africa, I am directed to inform you that the Marquess of Crewe concurs in Mr. Secretary Harcourt's proposal to instruct the Governor of the East Africa Protectorate to communicate direct with the Resident at Aden on points of detail connected with the terms of engagement. His Lordship is requesting the Government of India, if they see no objection, to give the necessary instructions to the Resident at Aden.

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I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

J. W. Hollermont

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The Under Secretary of State,
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Mr. Harcourt

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I have the honor to present
an estimate of my expense 22810⁰⁰
of February 7th 1913, & add to
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recruitment of local soldiers for
work in British East Africa.

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Arab labour for East

Enclosed letter from Sir to Gen. Courtney enclosing
copy from Political Resident, Aden regarding
application made by Compt. Commissioner of Egypt
for certain permission for engagement of labour on their
people

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The Under Secretary of State for India presents his compliments to the Under-Secretary of State for the Colonies and forwards for his information copy of an enclosure received in a letter from the Government of India dated 22 May 1913 relative to Arab labour for British East Africa.

India Office,

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Political Department.

Bombay Castle, 25th April 1913.

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C. C. Watson, require,

Secretary to Government,

Bombay

to

The Secretary to the Government of India,

Foreign Department.

Mr.

With reference to the endorsement from the Government of India in the Foreign Department No. 22-D., dated the 19th February 1913, I am directed to forward, for the information of the Government of India, a copy of a letter from the Political Resident, Aden, No. V/126, dated the 9th April 1913, regarding the appointment of Messrs. Cowasji Dinsshaw and Brothers as the agents of certain planters in British East Africa to engage Arab labourers.

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I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

A. K. Douglas.

for Secretary to Government.

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A.D.S. RESIDENCY,

The 9th April 1913.

Major-General Sir James A. Bell, K.C.V.O.,
Political Resident, Izen,

To

Sultan Sir Ahmed Radhi, K.C.S.I.,
The Abdali.

A.G.

I write to inform you, a friend, that Messrs. Cowasji Dinshaw and brothers have been appointed agents by certain planters in British East Africa to engage Arab labourers for work on Coast plantations on the following terms:-

Maximum Wage. Rs. 15/- per month.

Food. Supplied by the employer or money in lieu thereof.

Contract. For one year. Repatriation at the end of the term at the option of the labourer and at the employer's expense.

Work. Clearing bush, planting Sisal or cutting leaves, also work in connection with their factories, handling trucks, working cranes etc.

Housing

housing. Provided by employers, who undertake to give
the Arab separate quarters and not to mix them with the
other labourers. Labourers may take their families with
them at the employers' expense, and may settle on the
land. The employers will find work for the women and
children when possible, at the rate of wages current in
the locality.

In the event of slackness or insubordination, any
labourer may be dismissed without notice and returned
to Aden at the employers' expense.

23. At present the planters wish to take only about
25 men as an experiment and we have informed Messrs.
Cawasji Dimshaw and Brothers that we have no objection
to their arranging with your Highness to recruit these
men outside the limits of our settlement. The scheme
which the planters have in view eventually and which has
been approved by His Majesty's Government is to take Arab
labourers on a much larger scale on the contract for
sufficient duration to ensure an adequate return in labour
for the money they shall have to spend in taking the
labourers to the Coast of British East Africa. Repatriation
at the employers' expense will be optional to the labourers.

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at the end of the stipulated time. If the labourers are disposed to settle permanently and take their families, the employers will provide them with land for cultivation. They will also find employment as far as possible on the estates for women and children.

3. We write to you all the details of the scheme as we do not wish the men to leave your country without your consent. It is possible men will come from other tribes and be recruited at Nakej. We shall be glad if you will give this information to the Chiefs concerned when necessity arises.

A. Bell

Major-General

Political Resident, Aden.