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Edward L. P.  
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Govt. House Furniture.

1913

17 Oct.

Last previous Paper.

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Declines payment in respect of any apartments not occupied by his family or for any periods during which he was absent from the Prot.

Mr. Harris

Mr. P. Simon

Address of the

Protector

Mr. G. Fiddis

with regard to Sir P. Simon's two objections.

- (1) Public and private apartments. He declines to pay for any rooms except those occupied by himself and family. It has been ruled (see minutes on 19228 and 2885) that C.R. Reg 389 must be interpreted as meaning that all bedrooms are to be charged for.
- (2) Sir Percy declines to pay for the period during which he was absent from the Prot. He is wrong again. Since C.R. Reg. 389 provides that the payment is to be regarded as a standing charge on the Governor's salary, and to payable by him so long as he draws salary.

We can only advise that above and say that the Govt. thinks that he will see his way to paying the acct without raising further objections — though I doubt whether expenditure will be any more. 74 8 22 10 13

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(1) The distinct ruling that all bedrooms must be charged for dates from 1907 (see ref. to 15000 minutes on 3257/2 + 19228/2). But it is clear that Sir P. Girouard will accept obligation only for what was before him in black & white at the date of his appt. and will cause difficulties even on that.

(2) Here the black & white is rather. The rule is to charge during absence has appeared with body of C.R. 389 since that 1908 W. list. [It was laid down in a 1902 circular]. It was therefore certainly before Sir P. G. when he was appointed.

If we were to give way on (1) - i.e. as I understand the paper to do out all except the first five & the last six <sup>items</sup> ~~items~~ in Exd. 2 to 19218 the bill would be reduced by roughly £36, & if we can be rid of the matter at that price I think it would be worth it. We should of course point out that this shirking a liability imposed on every Governor since before the date of his appt. to S.A.P. & still to <sup>the</sup> point as regards payment during absence.

LWS. 23/10/12

As to (1) - my argument is that the rule that all bedrooms must be charged for was before Sir P. Girouard in black & white at the time of his appt. & throughout the period covered by his Governorship.

The Col Regis says "Unless it is otherwise provided by local law the Govt will pay s.p.c. per annum on the estimated value of the furniture in the bedrooms, kitchen & other rooms not used

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in which I have  
written is the only  
one in this part of  
the house Sir P.G.  
became Govt

for the public reception of company, & of all other articles provided at the cost of the colony & used by him, but he will be subject to no charge on account of the furniture of the [public] reception rooms or of the offices used by himself or by his private secretary or Aide C."

Under the wording of the above regulations it seems to me that no bedroom can strictly speaking be exempted from the s.p.c. charge, except on the hypothesis that a bedroom can be used "for the public reception of company"; & I blush at the idea of a bedroom being put to such a use.

Even assuming that certain bedrooms in this or other Govt Houses are usually kept for official ~~visitors~~ visitors, such visitors are not publicly received in <sup>the</sup> bedrooms.

But we have no hold of our Sir P. Girouard - ~~substantively~~ & it may very likely be expedient to waive our claim to the extent which Mr Gottonally suggests, or even more. If this were deemed advisable, we might use the fact of <sup>Sir P.G.</sup> his having had to entertain the Comynights as a reason for our retreat.

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On the other hand I particularly dislike the idea of climbing down, for the claim is correct & proper & ought never to have been disputed.

T.C.H. 24/10/12

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(2) Here the black & white is with us. The rule is to charge during absence has appeared with body of C.R. 389 since the 1908 A. list. [It was laid down in a 1902 circular]. It was therefore certainly before Sir P. G. when he was appointed.

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The Col Regis says "Unless it is otherwise provided by local law the Govt will pay s.p.c. for absence on the estimated value of the premises in the bedrooms, kitchen & other rooms not used

conditions of the contract, which I have taken in this part of the notice Sir P.G. became Govt

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On the other hand I particularly dislike the idea of climbing down, for the claim is correct & proper & ought never to have been disputed.

T.C.H. 24/10/13

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(2) Here the black & white is with us. The rule as to charges during absence has appeared in the body of C.R. 389 since the 1908 W. list. [It was laid down in a 1902 circular]. It was therefore certainly before Sir P. G. when he was appointed.

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LWS. 23/11/13

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addition of the word 'public' which I have written in this part of the note since Sir P.G. became Govt

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T.C.H. 24/10/13. L.O.



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 legal proceedings, Gov. ten 1. 18  
 can compel him to be proper  
 not to pursue the matter further.

And compare to Gov.

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8 Great George Street,  
Westminster, S.W.



17th, October 1915.

Sir,

I have to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 11th October <sup>1915</sup> 1915, and note, with regret, that Mr Secretary Harcourt is unable to find any reason why I should be relieved from certain charges which I have contended are not debitable against me.

I would beg to reiterate that these accounts are, through no fault on my part, of three years standing and that as originally presented they were grossly inaccurate and even now are not, in my opinion equitable, reasonable or accurate.

Failing a distinct ruling at the time as to the nature of public or private apartments I must most respectfully regret that I cannot agree now to any interpretation which would seek to make me responsible beyond those in occupation by my family, nor can I accept any obligation of payment for periods when I was absent from the Protectorate.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient servant.

The Under Secretary of State,  
Colonial Office,  
London, S.W.

*R. J. Howard*

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see

7 Nov  
September 1813

Sir,

I have the honor to ack.

the recd. of your despatch no. 360 of the 13<sup>th</sup> of May and

to transmit to you for your wife the accompanying copy

of further correspondence with

his P. Guionard on the

subject of the amount

due from him to the

Protectorate Govt. of the

E. A. P. in respect of

rent of furniture in

Govt. House during his

tenure of office as Gov<sup>r</sup> of

the Protectorate.

2. You will observe that

I propose to take no further

steps for the recovery of the

debt. I am

DRAFT.

Conf:

E. A. Prot. No

For

Belfield

MINUTE.

Mr. Boscawen 30/10/17

Mr. Read 30

Sir G. Fiddes.

Sir H. Just.

Sir J. Anderson.

Lord Emmott.

Mr. Harcourt.

to P. Guionard 24 July (4228)

29 Sept. (" )

20 Oct (5428)

11 Oct (" )

17 Oct. (56125)

7 Nov 1813 (" )

etc. hereint.

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Feb 1913  
7 Nov 1913

Sir,

I am etc to ackn the  
recd of your letter of the 17<sup>th</sup>  
of Oct respecting the claim  
submitted to you on the  
percentage payable on the  
furnish of Government

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DRAFT.

P. P. C. S. Lion and HONG. DSO. RE

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Mr. D. D. 29.10.13

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Mr. H. 5 Nov 13

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Lord Emmott.

Mr. Harcourt.

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2. Mr H. notes that you  
decline to recognise a liability  
~~before it discharges the debt~~  
which he has found to be correct  
~~which~~, according to the Reg<sup>ns</sup>

and to well-established  
as a rule  
practice, in owing to the Pract<sup>ice</sup>

Govt of the EA Prot<sup>ion</sup>

3. As there are <sup>now</sup> no means,  
short of legal proceedings, by  
which the Govt can <sup>enforce</sup>  
~~use to~~ make payment, he  
prefers not to pursue the  
matter further.

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the answer that it is not  
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pay the gas tax  
C. H. B.

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