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Regrets sanction cannot be given to Requests interview.

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Mr. Attorney, Sir G. Fiddes

Perhaps one of the parties might have an interest - & would then be asked to consider the using of local labour.

ACCP

I don't think we can refuse an interview, but it would be as well to say that the S.O. is much to be ^{loose of} out any recollection of his decision, and to remind them that the general question of labour is being dealt with by a local Commission.

and by that if by S.O. 27/8/13 still lower an interview be taken by has been instructed to return stone. 27/13

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Rochester Buildings,
138, Leadenhall Street,
London

25th. August

1913.

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

Dear Sir,

No. 28188/1913.

We have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your communication of the 22nd. inst., and regret to learn from it that Mr. Secretary Harcourt is unable to give his sanction to the importation of Indian Coolies into the East Africa Protectorate. If it would not be trespassing too much upon your time, one of our partners would like to have the opportunity of laying before you the exceptionally healthy position of our Estate and the various labourers upon it, the arrangements which we had purposed making for the benefit of the Indian Coolies that we might have been allowed to import, and the exceptionally good position they could attain in the growth of cotton on our Estate.

We are afraid that, without this labour, it will be impossible to successfully cultivate cotton on a large scale, owing to the difficulty, at present existing on the British East African Coast, of getting sufficient natives.

If, therefore, you can see your way to grant us the interview requested, we shall much esteem it.

We are, Sir, etc
Your obedient servants,

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Gentlemen,

I am etc to ^{inform} ~~ackn~~ the
ack of your letter of the
(29705) 25th of August and to
state that he is unable
to hold out any hope of a
reversion of his decision,
which is based on reasons of principle,
with regard to the importation
of Indian Coolies into the
East Africa Protectorate. He

DRAFT.

Mr. Wray & Co

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- Mr. Deane 15/8/13
- Mr. B. Somley 28/8/13
- Sir G. Fiddes.
- Sir H. Just.
- Sir J. Anderson.
- Lord Emmott.
- Mr. Harcourt.

~~I would advise~~
~~I am to remind you~~
I remind you
that the general question of
labour in the E. AP is at
present being dealt with
by a local Commission.

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3. ~~If~~ If you are still
desirous of an interview
I am to inform you that

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Mr. B. Somley of this Dept
has been instructed to see
you