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J. Mes.

Last previous Paper.

66/5182

Coinage Accounts.

Proposes to close present three separate accounts, or to amalgamate them into one Subsidiary Coinage Account.

Dr. Balfield

? to D.C.A. for Dr. Balfield

(N.F.D) 26.3.14

~~two statements~~
~~forward~~

Dr. G. Fiddler

The papers which have been consulted to deal with details of recent orders for coin. As to the acctg I enclose the 1905-6 papers.

See especially

15/22 187/05, proposing the two Surplus accounts for the new silver and other subsidiary coin.

Mem/15766/06, approving. Instruction 66/5182 very given on that paper.

The third account is, details of the proposed writing Copper conference

Copy to be made on 10 April 14
Copy to Mr. Balfield on 4 May 14
30 Mr. Blackett on 17 May 14
30 Mr. Wood on 22 June 14
30 Mr. D. C. A. on 24 June 14
30 Mr. D. C. A. on 24 June 14

Next subsequent Paper.

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account referred to - enclosed to
G.O. (25466/06). This account
certainly dealt with the old Prof-
Cobben bill & I think also with
the still older Comhams' bill.

This is not a question of varying
arrangements made by G.O.C. but
the Treasury will I think have
to be consulted, as a matter of form

I do not think that the new
currency proposals now under consideration
will affect this matter of accounts. The
points are however to be considered later
and in the meantime there can be
no objection to continuing the accounts
as proposed?

G.O. 24. 2. 14

I agree

B.N.
2/2/14

H. J. R.
2/11/14

Atome P.M. 4. 4. 14

Mr. Reed
W. B. B. B. B.

Please see note from Mr. Blackett
of 27 April 1914.

① I know of no special reasons.

② I was certainly not concerned
with any of the changes.

to have a further say in the matter
? say that we know of no
special reasons, but that
if Treasury feel strongly on the
subject, they might suggest
for concern as an alternative
to Blackett's proposal.

③ See Gazette Dec 1909.

This is not only copy.

? explain say that if copy
is needed we will have the
proclamation typed.

Accd 1/11/14

We had better consult Mr. Smallwood,
who is on leave?

There is no room for changing
the Cobben deficit to revenue rather
than to a new account. The Cobben

has gone out because it has been
replaced, & any burden it leaves
behind it should only be placed
on the replacing coinage.

As regards the Gazette article I think
we had better have two copies
typed out, & send one to Mr. Blackett
& attach the other to an appropriate
book. The other copy being sent

Yes
H. J. R.

Put this to Mr
Blackett
B.N.

Yes
H. J. R.

sent to C.D.
Accd
2/11/14

some reference at the time.

Oct 1/5/14

at home.

H. J. S.

1/5/14

2 copies of Proclamation referred
to above herewith.

Recd 6/5/14 H. J. S. / Anderson

~~Letter from Mr. S. J. S.~~

Letter from Mr. Smallwood

see p 2 of Mr
Smallwood's letter
P.M.

attached.

(1) On the incidental board

? Tell Mr. Blackett we have consulted

Mr. S. of the substance of [J of his
letter. Say that if necessary the matter
might be postponed till the new
Board is formed. No effect, but
that we should wish to consult

Gov. when we have Treasury views, then a previous page
P.M.

Send a copy of the 1909 Proclamation

& explain that it went out to
us separately, & that we have
had to dig it out of the Gazette.

(2) Ask Mr. S. to send the letter for

Mr. H. Kelfield & say, if he
has any copies, that we will
accept an interview when he
is next in London.

Blackett
the letter
P.M.

(3) ...

now respecting of the time

Wed
1/5/14

at once.
H. J. R.

1/5/14

2 copies of Proclamation referred
to above herewith.

Recd copy of this Proclamation
from Mr. S. J. R.

~~Proclamation~~ Proclamation

See p. 2 of
S. J. R. letter
P.S.

(1) On the immediate board

Tell Mr. Blackwell on here committee
to S. J. R. substance of the J of his
letter. Say that if necessary the matter
might be postponed till the new
Order Council takes effect, but
that we should wish to consult

Gov. when we have Treasury views. + then on previous page
Send a copy of the 1909 Proclamation
& explain that it can't get to
us separately, & that we have
had to dig it out of the Gazette.

(2) Ask Mr. S. to send the letter for
Mr. H. Pelfield & say, if he
finds it open, that we will
arrange an interview when we
can discuss the matter.

at once
H. J. R.

27/4/14

Dear Mr. Read,

C.O. letter ^{from} 10688/14 of 8th inst.as to East Africa Protectorate
subsidiary coinage a/c's —

1. The Royal Mint keeps separate
a/c's for silver & bronze coinage, &
we would have imagined a priori
that there would be definite advantages
in East Africa in keeping separate a/c's
for silver & nickel. The matter is
however obviously a small one, & it

may be that there are special reasons
of which the C.O. are aware for
keeping only one subsidiary ^{apc} af-
One fin. does not give any reasons for
this step in his despatch.
Were the matter one in which the
Board had to decide, I think we
should direct that (a) the Copper
apc should be closed & the small
debit written off out of revenue & (b)
separate apcs sh. be kept in file
for (a) item & (b) nickel. But I
hesitate to draft an official letter

in case unless you concur in advance.

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• • Would you be so good as to let
us have copies of the formal instrument
monetising the aluminium subsidiary
apc. We do not seem to have
heard anything from you on this
since C.O. letters ^{apc} 20262/09
17 Sept. 1909 & 35570/09 of
Nov. 1909.

J. J. Read

David Mackenzie

H. J. Read Esq. C.M.S.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
NAIROBI,
BRITISH EAST AFRICA.

March 2nd 1914.

EAST AFRICA PROTECTORATE

C O
10683

23 MAR 14

No. 202

Sir,

Gov 3/4/14
I have the honour to refer to my telegram No. 202 of the 29th of October last, on the subject of rental coinage and to inform you that the Treasurer has reported that at present there exist three separate accounts for subsidiary coinages, viz:

- (1) Silver
- (2) Nickel and Aluminium
- (3) Copper

The aluminium and copper subsidiary coins are no longer legal tender and are therefore not accepted by the Treasury.

2. Mr. Smallwood considers, and I concur in his opinion, that it would be very desirable to amalgamate these three accounts into one "Subsidiary Coinage Account".

3. I have therefore, subject to your approval, sanctioned the closing of the three accounts above mentioned and the transfer of the credits on "Subsidiary Silver" and "Nickel and Aluminium" together

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE

LEWIS HARCOURT, P.C., M.P.,

SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES,

DOWNING STREET, LONDON, S.W.

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together with the debit on "Copper" to one
"Subsidiary Coinage Account" and I trust that
you will endorse my action.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your humble, obedient servant,

Alexander B. D. [Signature]

GOVERNOR.

Gov. 10888/1914 E.A.P.

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R. 7 APR
D. 1914

[Handwritten initials]

8 April 1914

Sir,

With reference to your

letter, No. 7084/06, of the
3rd of May 1906, I am
pleased to transmit to you,
for the consideration of the Lords
Commissioners of the Treasury,
the accompanying copy of
a despatch from the
Gov. of the E.A.P. reporting
the amalgamation of the
three subsidiary coinage
accounts of the B.S.P.
2. Subject to Their Lordships'
concurrence, no document prepared
to approve of the Gov's action

Unred 18049.

[Recd. 15/6/14]

DRAFT.

The Secretary
to the
Treasury

MINUTE.

Mr. Stanger 6/4/14

Mr. Bottomley 6/4/14

Sir G. Fiddes.

Sir H. Just.

Sir J. Anderson.

Lord Emmott.

Mr. Harcourt.

Gov. 202 - 2 March

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~~See 210~~

DRAFT

H. A. Smallwood Esq

4 May 1914

~~Sir,~~

- MINUTE
- Mr. ~~Robert~~ 11/5/14
- Mr. ~~Robert~~ 4/5/14
- Sir G. Fiddes.
- Sir H. Just.
- Sir J. Anderson.
- Lord Emmott
- Mr. Harcourt.

Dear Mr Smallwood.

We have recently received
 a disp. from the Gov. of
 the E. I., a copy of which
 I enclose, on the subject
 of the subsidiary
 carriage accounts.

The Mercury, to
 whom the disp. has been
 referred, tell us that
 the Royal Mint keep
 separate accounts for

done by 2 Arch
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in future for
 the Mint's
 separate

the exchange charges,
that it wd seem a priori
that there wd be definite advantages
in S. A. in keeping separate
a/cs for silver & nickel.

The matter of course is a small
one & you may be able to
tell me whether there are special
reasons for keeping only one
subsidiary carrying account.

The meaning may be that if
it were a matter for them to
decide, they wd prefer (1) that the
copper a/c shd be closed & the small
debit written off to out of balance, &
(2) that separate a/cs shd be kept
for (a) silver & (b) nickel.

Would you kindly let me
have any opinion wh. you may
have to offer on this?

Yours truly
W. B.

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Abbotsbury

Buses

5. May 1914.

Dear Mr A Stanley,

I received your letter and enclosed this morning on the subject of the Currency Accounts.

I can quite understand that from the Treasury point of view separate accounts would be necessary; but [I do not think such necessity exists in the case of the E.A.P. which has to own distinctively subsidiary coins. To arrive at the profit or loss on any denomination of coins is perfectly simple and does not call for a separate account being kept for each - silver and nickel removed in view of the application of the draft Currency Order in Council it would be much more

Enclosure

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separately account for the whole
of the matter. Besides, in view of
the applicⁿ of the new currency
order in command (wh. is now under
consideration) ^{it is thought that} it will be unwise to
recommend for the P. S. to have only
one subsidiary coinage etc., as the
profit has to be carried to the gold
standard reserve fund.

If necessary, the matter can stand
over till the next order in council takes
effect; but when we have your views
about this subsidiary account, we
shall want to consult the Governor.

In any case, there is one point wh.
occurs to me: you say that if the
Treasury had to decide for wh. direct
that the copper etc. should be closed & the
small debit with on it against reserve.
But why not charge the deficit to a new
account? The copper has gone out
because it has been replaced, a heavy
burden wh. it leaves behind wh.
surely be laid on the ~~existing~~ coinage
wh. replace it.

I enclose a copy of the proclamation
demonstrating the aluminium sub-
sidiary coin: it was not sent
to us separately, but I have had this
copied from the Gazette of 1 Dec 1909
wh. it appeared.

DRAFT

H. A. Smeeth

12 May 1914

- MINUTE
- Mr. Fiddes.
- Sir H. Just.
- Sir J. Anderson.
- Lord Emmott.
- Mr. Harcourt.

Dear W. Smeeth.

Thank you for your letter
about the subsidiary coinage
etc. in the E.A.P.

Will you please forward the
letter ~~from~~ which Sir Henry Polfield
~~sent~~ gave you for Sir John
Anderson: Sir John will then
arrange for you to see him
when you are next in London.

I enclose a print of the
Estimates despatch in which
you ask.

I arranged for particulars
about the copper etc. to be
sent to you. I hope you
have got them by now.

sent by Sir J. Anderson
12/5/14

Mr. Fiddes for
Mr. Smeeth's
signature