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Belfield 749

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13th August

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LANGUAGE BONUSES

Reports issue of circular that bonuses will in future only be granted for Swahili, Swahili (Higher Standard), Somali, Kamba, Kiuyu, Masai, Nilotic Kavirondo and Nandi. Trusts action will be approved.

*W. B. B.*  
Mr Bottomley

From this new list the languages of five lesser tribes are omitted. It seems that, in the question of language-study, the Gov. is given authority to approve not only the study of a language in general, but also its study by a particular officer. He was, therefore, quite within his rights in amending the list.

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EAST AFRICA PROTECTORATE.

No. 749.

13th. August, 1914.

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*Yours*  
*1888*  
*12-3*

Sir,

With reference to my despatch No. 894 of December 27th 1912, I have the honour to inform you that I have lately had under consideration the question of revising the list of native languages for which bonuses are granted.

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2. The present list which was forwarded under cover of Sir F. Jackson's despatch No. 400 of July 21st, 1909, contains the dialects of smaller tribes with whom officers are not likely to be brought into constant contact, and I consider that it is preferable that only the more important languages should be studied.

3. I have therefore caused a circular letter to be issued to the effect that bonuses in future will only be granted for the following languages:-

Swahili

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE  
LEWIS HARCOURT, P.C., M.P.,  
SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES,  
DOWNING STREET, LONDON, S. W.

Swahili (Higher Standard).

Somali.

Kamba.

Kikuyu.

Masai.

Nilotic Kavirondo.

Nandi.

and I trust that you will approve my action in the matter.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your humble, obedient Servant,

*H. Conway Breyer*

GOVERNOR.

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CAP  
No. 907  
Mr. Sir H. Belfield

J. H. H. 1/10/14  
Admission 1/10/14

2 October 1914.

Sir,  
I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your despatch No. 749 of the 13<sup>th</sup> of August and to inform you that I approve of your action with regard to the ~~provision~~ revision of the list of native languages for which bourses are granted by the Govt. Govt.

(Signed) L. HARGREAVES