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Subsequent Paper.

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Agreement with E Africa Syndicate Ltd

Sends further letter from Solicitors. Syas act that the 2 years mentioned in Clause 5 be reckoned from conclusion of present war, & that Govt. will forego rent of £ 500 per. payable under lease for 1915. Requests instant

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Ld. T. J. Fildes
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Ld. G. Fildes

The suggest that the first period of two years (reckoning from the date of "these presents") shall be postponed to one, which we cannot represent, as all Govt. land sales have been put off since Dec. We can agree to the time being reckoned from the date of the conclusion of war or of the next Govt. notice of sale of Crown land for operations purposes, whichever is earlier (This will provide for the most impossible contingency of unusual conditions being restored in E. Africa while

the war or of the next Govt. notice of sale of Crown land for operations purposes, whichever is earlier (This will provide for the most impossible contingency of unusual conditions being restored in E. Africa while

ber of still continuing in Europe.)
This had better be done by letter,
unless the C.A.'s collectors con-
sider it concordant with Agreement.

As to revision of this year's rent
this has nothing to do with the said
Agreement & is a request which
every other tenant of the Crown
in E.A.P. might make with equal
or greater force. I refuse

W.R.

Please also 48389

8/2/14

I agree generally.
If we decide to grant the
first concession asked, I think
it will be best to record
the fact either in the agree-
ment to be executed, or
in a short supplemental
agreement, whichever is
thought most convenient.

C.G. 9/12/14.

H. J.R.

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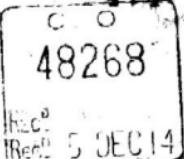
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Enc.

E.A.P. 36

ALL COMMUNICATIONS
TO BE ADDRESSED TO THE
CROWN AGENTS FOR THE COLONIES,
THE ABOVE REFERENCE AND THE
DATE OF THIS LETTER BEING QUOTED.

TELEGRAMS "CROWN, LONDON"
TELEPHONE 7280 VICTORIA (6 LINES)



WHITEHALL CARDENAL

LONDON, S.W.

4th December 1914.

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Sir,

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 p 4622-1 In continuation of our letter of the 23rd November, relative to the proposed Agreement with the East African Syndicate, Ltd., I have the honour to transmit a copy of a further letter, dated 20th October, which we have received from our solicitors on the subject.

2. It will be seen that, in addition to the concession which they desire in regard to the reckoning of the two years mentioned in Clause 5 of the draft Agreement, the Syndicate also wish the Government to forego the rent of £500 a year payable under the lease for 1915.

3. We await the Secretary of State's instructions in the matter.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

for Crown Agents

The Under Secretary of State,

Ag. Sec. &c. &c.

Colonial Office.

Received.

MESSRS. SUTTON, GRIMMENNEY & RENDALL TO CROWN AGENTS.

3 & 4 Great Winchester Street,

London, E.C.

2nd December 1914.

E.A.P. 36

Gentlemen,

East Africa Protectorate & East Africa
Syndicate.

In further reference to our letter of the
letter¹ both ultims, we enclose you, for your information, copy
of letter which we have today received from the
Solicitors to the Syndicate.

We do so in this that, should you be pre-
pared to accept any such arrangement as proposed in
this letter, the same should be embodied in the Agree-
ment itself and not merely evidenced by correspondence
such as is suggested.

We are, &c.

(sgd) Sutton, Grimmeney & Rendall

MESSRS. INGLE HOLMES SONS & POTT TO MESSRS. SUTTON ORMANEY
& RENDALL.

Capel House,

New Broad Street, E.C.

1st December 1914.

Dear Sirs,

East Africa Protectorate - re East Africa
Syndicate Limited.

We are instructed by the Directors of the East Africa Syndicate Ltd. to ask you to be good enough to draw the attention of the Crown Agents to the serious effect which the war has had, and is having, upon their undertaking in the Protectorate.

In the first place farming operations are practically at a standstill owing to the condition of the country and to the fact that the Syndicate's employees are having to join the military force, and one of them we regret to say is already reported as missing ; and in the next place the Directors are advised by those most competent to judge that there would be no prospect of it being possible to sell any land probably for two years after the conclusion of the war.

In these circumstances we are to ask that the two years mentioned in Clause 5 of the Agreement should be reckoned from the conclusion of the present war, and that a letter should be written to the Syndicate by the Crown Agents to this effect ; and on that footing the Directors will complete the agreement approved.

We are also to ask that for the above reasons the Government will forgo the rent of £500 a year payable under

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under the lease for 1915, as it will be impossible
during that year to carry out any farming operations
of a profitable nature.

Yours faithfully,

(sgd) Ingle Holmes Sons & Pett

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The Brown Agents

MINUTE.

Mr. Harper 1914
Mr. Bottomley 1914

Mr.

Mr.

Sir G. Fiddes.

Sir H. Just.

Sir J. Anderson.

Lord Islington.

Mr. Harcourt.

Minutes not completed

~~as far as has been done~~

~~in Prague~~

~~and~~

Gentlemen,
I am etc. to
acknowledge the receipt
of your letter of the 4th
of Dec., Sec. E.A.P. 36, and to
inform you that ~~that~~
he approves of the
first period of two years
mentioned in clause 5
of the draft Agreement
with the East Africa
Syndicate Ltd. being
reckoned as from the
1st January 1915.

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date of the conclusion of
the war ^{the date} off the next 50th
notice of sale of Crown
~~land~~
land for agricultural purposes
whichever is earliest.

2. Mr Harcourt is advised
that this concession should
be recorded either in the
agreement to be executed
or in a short supplemental
agreement, whichever is
thought most convenient.

3. Mr Harcourt ^{regards that he} is unable
to approve of the request of the
Syndicate that the rent should
proceed the rent of £500 a year
payable under the lease for
^{if his request were granted} 1915. I am pointing out that it would
be informal to offer a longer term
than the term of the lease & the
Protocol.

M. J. READ.
Secretary of State