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Agrees to Nairobi Branch being selected as principal office for purposes of Para 10 of Agreement. Points out objections to Nairobi manage being regarded as Agent for purposes of Sect. 7 of Bank Order. All managers have full power to act for the Bank in legal matters.

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National Bank of India Limited
1, Bishopsgate, London, E.C. 2.
London

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Under Secretary of State
Colonial Office
Downing Street
S.W.

Sir,

EAST AFRICA PROTECTORATE BANKING AGREEMENT
and Bank Ordinance.

We have to acknowledge receipt of your letter of 8th inst (16737/1910) informing us that a telegram has been received from the Governor of the East Africa Protectorate requesting a decision as to the selection of a "principal Office" for the purpose of paragraph 18 of the Agreement recently concluded between the Crown Agents for the Colonies and ourselves and suggesting that our Nairobi Branch should be selected for the purpose. We would prefer that any notices to be given to the Bank should be given to us here this being the Head Office of the Bank, and the paragraph in question already having provided for notice being tendered here. We have no principal Office in the East Africa Protectorate each Manager working on his own responsibility and being directly accountable to us here, but if it is absolutely necessary to name an Office we are quite

agreeable to Nairobi Branch being selected for the purpose of the paragraph in question.

We observe that the Governor of the East Africa Protectorate also suggests that our Nairobi Manager should be regarded as the Agent of the Bank for the purpose of Section 7 of the Bank Ordinance 1910. In our letter of 21st February last addressed to the Earl of Crewe we stated in full our objections to appointing one particular Agent in the Protectorate to accept service of process in all suits and proceedings against the Bank in the Protectorate and to accept all legal Notices which the Governor or any Officer of the Government may desire to serve upon the Bank. We do not consider it practicable for our Nairobi Manager to accept service in connection with a suit relating to Mombasa Branch as he would probably not be cognisant of the facts of the case. It appears to us from the copy of the Ordinance in our possession that our objections have been met by the proviso to Section 7 and we are at a loss to understand why it should be considered necessary to appoint a special Agent. All our Managers have full power to act for the Bank under Power of Attorney in legal matters.

Trusting that you will give the foregoing remarks your favourable consideration,

I have the honour to be,

Your obedient Servant;



Manager

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- Col. S...
- Lord G...

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