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Governor No. 481
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(Subject)

Various Dept Transport Vote

Underestimate. Has provisionally saved
exp of £500 from general savings in likely
event of there being some acts that a Special
Grant be considered

Mr. [Name] (Minister)

The Colonial Office is not responsible
for this underestimate. The revision
of the original estimate for the Railway
Dept was done up to it, on the
Chief Engineer Hill's recommendation, the
final estimate, was sent home in
1/10/07, was accepted in toto, although
it involved an excess of £570 over
the amount actually provided for
the Dept (see 22/55)

We are asking the Treasury to
approve of the railway Dept being
made good from the balances intended
to be devoted to railway development,
and there should therefore be little
difficulty in meeting the charge without
Special Grant. Do not know
quite what is meant by the Treasury

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Governor's Office,

Nairobi,

November 1914

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~~EAST AFRICA PROTECTORATE~~

No. 484

(Private)



My Lord,

I have the honour to transmit herewith for Your Lordship's information a copy of a letter I have recently received from the Director of Surveys.

Major Smith
No. 60

1. From this Your Lordship will see that although an increased number of Field Surveyors was sanctioned in the current Estimates, the original estimate of the Survey Department for Transport was through some oversight reduced to quite an inadequate amount with the result that the vote is already exhausted.

2. The Treasurer, Mr. Bowring, whom I have consulted in the matter informs me that, owing to the General Manager of the Uganda Railway having intimated that

H. M. PRINCIPAL SECRETARY OF STATE

FOR THE COLONIES,

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that his estimated Revenue may be short by some £15,000. It is quite possible that there will be no General Revenue available and that he consequently is unable to propose any reallocation for this account; but in spite of this I have provisionally and subject to Your Lordship's approval sanctioned the expenditure of £1,600 to be met from General Savings.

4 The early completion of the Cassinial Survey of the ... is one of such paramount importance to the ... of this country ... that it could not be ... I therefore trust that Your Lordship ... in the matter and in the event ... proving correct, will sanction ... Grant to meet the expenditure

The Director of Survey ... will convince Your Lordship that the Survey Department is not ... the underestimation of this vote and I have

therefore

Therefore the less hesitation in bringing the matter
to Your Lordship's notice.

I have the honour to be,
with the highest respect,

My Lord,

Your Lordship's most obedient,
humble servant;

Henry St. John

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No. 10

DIRECTOR of SURVEY No. 10/1000/07

NAIROBI.

11th October, 1907.

Sir.

In accordance with Rule 1782 of the "Instructions for the Guidance of Sub-Accountants". I have the honour to request that a sum of One thousand six hundred and sixty pounds (£1660) may be provided by Special Warrant to supplement the Vote:—

Survey Department,
Coastal Branch,
Other Charges,
Local Transport and Labour.

It should be remembered that the estimates for 1907-1908 were cut down largely at home, and that really amounts to an error was made. Last year, besides the sums which appear in the estimates, Special Warrant No. 11 permitted the following expenditure:—

Porters' Pay and Rations.....	£ 250
Subsistence Expenses.....	225
Railway Freights.....	250

£ 725

The Secretary
to the Administration,

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through the Hon. Commissioner for Lands and
Hon. Treasurer.

These sums were really a transfer from the Transport Department to the Cadastral Branch.

So that on the item now called Local Transport and Labour, last year we were authorized to spend:-

(As in	
Estimates)	Native Labour.
	including Rations..... £ 890
Plus. Under Special Warrant No. 14	725
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	£1615
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Consequently if the amount in 1907/8 was to be the same as last year. Local Transport and Labour should have stood at £1615. instead of £890.

But at the same time the staff of the Department was increased. In 1906/07 the number usually working in the field was 7 European Surveyors, whereas this year the number usually in the field is 11. By simple proportion, 7 : 11 :: £1615 : £2515. Or, in other words, a proportionate increase of Transport to Staff would be £2515.

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But in addition the circumstances have altered. Last year a good deal of the work was on Nairobi and Mombasa Townships, which involved very little transport, whereas this year the work has been further afield, the Sobik Farms survey in particular being far from the Railway, and therefore expensive. So that we require a further increase of £355, or 2-1/3 % of £2515, in order to continue to work to the best advantage throughout the financial year.

These points are alluded to in the Supplementary Notes to the Departmental Estimates for 1908-1909.

I have the honour to report that the sum at present available for Cadastral transport is exhausted, and respectfully to urge that funds should be found as I suggest.

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I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

R. E. ...
 Major, R.E.
 Director of Surveys

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