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(Subject)

Compensation for loss of horses  
claims of Mr Humphrey & Mr G. B. Horn

Submits of Mr Humphrey & Mr Horn 235 &  
States notes in the horses killed of claims may be  
admitted & proposes they be met by process of courts  
with at conclusion of European war

(Intro)

Mr. Reed

The Vets certificate  
as to the cause of Mr. Humphrey's  
horse's death is not enclosed in  
that it's end seems to have  
been a lingering one, the chill  
being contracted as alleged on  
28th Sept & death occurring  
on 14 Jan. No details whatever  
are given as to the death  
of Mr. Horn's steed.  
If the claims are to be taken  
-buried further info must  
be given as to their matters  
& also some proof of the

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value of the animals, cost at which  
purchased &c

But I am afraid we cannot  
entertain the claim. It has  
not actually or conventionally  
surrendered for the discharge of  
W. C.'s duties; in fact I had  
always heard that there was  
little work in the country owing  
to the tactics of the Government.  
The case is not well founded  
with the views of the Board  
Officers 30681/05, 21692/05  
& 23089/05. in which  $\frac{2}{3}$  of the value  
was allowed for horses lost on  
duty.

With regard to fees we should  
say that the proceeds  
of the sale must be brought  
to a/c as part of the Genl  
Revenue of the Postoffice, &  
not made available as a special  
fund for meeting miscellaneous  
expenses.

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... I have not been able to do anything which  
could have been done to increase the number of  
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Government's Office  
December 19th 1907

OFFICE OF THE  
No. 557

My Lord,

I have the honour to submit for Your Lordship's consideration two applications I have received for compensation from Mr. Humphery the District Commissioner Mumbia, and Mr. E. F. Torne the Acting District Commissioner Enbu, for the loss of their horses. I was at first inclined to consider that these claims should not be entertained as likely to establish inconvenient precedents, but on reconsideration I have come to the conclusion that it would be hard to make these young officers suffer for losses incurred during the execution of their duty, though they were not forced to keep horses, and I therefore submit the question for favourable consideration. The following are the circumstances:-

During the Iugumi patrol, reported in my despatch

Principal Secretary of State  
for the Colonies,  
Downing Street,  
LONDON, S. W.

No. 517 of November 28th, it was necessary to move as quickly as possible, and Mr. Humphery considered it advisable, and I think rightly so, to take his horse with him. During the night of April 28th the horse, whilst standing in long wet grass after a very hard day in distant country, contracted a chill which subsequently developed into pneumonia from which it died on June 14th.

I enclose a copy of the Veterinary Officer's certificate.

The results of this patrol, as expected, were most satisfactory, and the Lugard are now quiet and peaceable.

Mr. Horne's application is based on similar grounds.

In September last it was reported that a section of the Masai had started on a circuitous route, by a raid into the Kenya Province.

The Provincial Commissioner was informed by telegram, and Mr. Horne was notified by special runners.

As the Sabere district in the Tana Valley, adjoining the recently conquered Eabu district used, in former days to be a favourite raiding ground of the Masai, Mr. Horne

rode

rode out with a force of Police, and hastily proceeded to that district to assist the natives in repelling an attack.

Although no raid took place I consider Mr. Torne's action in hurrying to the assistance of the natives was the right one to take as it is important to impress on natives who pay hut tax, and more particularly those like the Embere with whom we have only since recently come into touch, that the Government is always ready to protect them.

Mr. Humphrey's claim is for £20, that of Mr. Torne for £75-0-0. Would Your Lordship agree that the claim may be admitted I would propose that they be met from the proceeds of the battle sold at the conclusion of the Edgum patrol.

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

My Lord,

Your Lordship's most obedient,

humble servant,

*Henry Buller*

13  
14 February 1908

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S. A.P. no 70

J. Hughes Sadler

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- Mr. ~~Stanton~~ by ~~Mr. B...~~
- Mr. ~~B...~~ 10/15/2/p
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- Mr. ~~Andrews~~
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- Mr. ~~Lucas~~
- Mr. ~~F. Hopwood~~
- Mr. ~~Churchill~~
- The Earl of ~~Elgin~~

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C. H. H. H.

Sir,

I have the honor to  
ack. the recd. of your  
despatch no. 567 of the  
14<sup>th</sup> of December, and to  
inform you that I feel  
~~unwilling to~~  
hesitate to approve of the  
grant to Col. Humphery  
and Col. S.D. Horne of  
compensation for the  
loss of their horses in  
view of the fact that  
a horse as has now  
been regarded as being  
necessary for the discharge  
of a District Commissioner's  
duties.

Cattle taken in the 590

Lugome patrol must  
be brought to account  
as part of the general  
revenue of the Protectorate  
and not be made available  
as a special fund for  
meeting miscellaneous  
expenses

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