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No. /	4660.

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Rec'd
REG 18 MAY 07

Office or (Instruments)
not general
business

1907

16th May
at previous Paper.
A. G. D.

(Subject.)

Office Premises.

Request instructions by telegram
as to whether of removing into new premises or
otherwise, as lease will expire 30 June.

(Minutes.)

in Reply:

The rent of the present office
is Rs 175 per m. and would be raised
fully to Rs 200 per m. Mr. Lomax states that
he has found suitable quarters furnished
Rs 225 per m. are asked, but which he thinks
he might obtain at from Rs 175-200 per m.

If he has to pay as much elsewhere as
he would if he remained where he is
that his rent would, there is no object
in moving unless some other better
accommodation. Reply by telegram

? authorizing him to pay up to Rs 200
per m. if necessary but before doing
~~unless better accommodation can be obtained~~

So reply & a few telegram this M^o morning
and let me know

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Sir,

With reference to para 16 of my Despatch dated the 5th of September last, I have the honour to request that the wishes of the Earl of Elgin in regard to this office lease may be communicated to me as early as possible.

2. Enclosed, for the information of His Lordship, is a copy of a notice received from the owner of the property in which my office is situated informing us of his having leased the entire premises. Said Kamal Khan has also sent me copies of the correspondence which ensued thereon.

3. On the 30th April Mr. Said Khan, Khan's representative called and informed us of his intention to raise the rent and willingness to renew the lease for 2 years or 2½ years from 1st July next on the same conditions as heretofore but at a monthly rental of Rs. 300/- per month.

4. I entered at once into communication with Agent, Mr. P. Pyramjee, and with him ins�cted the three premises at present vacant.

5. One place (a) for which Rs. 300/- per month, and asked, might be made suitable, and another (b) for which Rs. 225/- per month are asked, would I think suit well. - The first might perhaps be secured at Rs. 250/- per month and the second at Rs. 175/- or Rs. 200/- per month. - Another (c) not quite so suitable and considerably smaller than (b) is available at Rs. 210/- per month without any reduction. - I saw also two other tenements at Rs. 100/-

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and Rs.145/- per month respectively but they are both too small
and otherwise unsuitable.-

6. A difficulty in treating for any premises now
vacant is that my present lease does not expire until the 30th
June, and landlords are unwilling to keep their rooms unoccupied.

7. The premises (b) are better situated than my present
office and I would therefore request that His Lordship may be
pleased to authorize me either (1) to arrange to renew my present
lease for 2 to 2½ years at Rs.175/-, or if necessary Rs.200/- per
month, or (2) to take other offices for 3 years at a rental not
exceeding that.-

8. I would remark that when the lease of this office
was last renewed a rental of Rs.200/- per month was sanctioned
by the Marquess of Lansdowne.-

9. I venture to request that His Lordship's wishes in
this matter may be communicated to me by telegram as there is
but little time still to run of my present lease and because the
owners of suitable other premises may perhaps be induced to keep
them vacant until the 1st July on my definitely undertaking to
occupy them then.-

10. There being no godowns at the disposal of this
office has always proved a great difficulty in dealing with
Goods, but as they would entail such a heavy additional expense
I have not up to now urged their engagement.-

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient humble servant,

Agent General

Under Secretary of State,

Colonial Office,

L O N D O N S. W.

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Accompaniment No. 17660

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TRUE COPY.

Hassanat Mehal,
Chawpatty, Bombay
1st April 1907.

To

The tenants of Rogay Buildings

Apollo Street.

The Agent General British Protectorate in Africa.

Sir,

Please note that we have this day executed a lease
amongst others of the above property in favour of Mr. Hassan
Hassan for three years commencing from 1st April 1907. - We have
therefore to require you to pay the rents growing due from the
1st April to the Said Hassan during the period, a portion
whereof is in your occupation as a monthly tenant.

Yours

Sd/- Nasrullah Khan
Committee of the estate of
Mr. Mohamed Ali Rogay.

Accompaniment No 4

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13 MAY 07

No. 1215

Bombay 10th April, 1907.

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TRUE COPY.

Leasing the Office Premises.

Sir,

I am informed by Nawabzada Namrullah Khan that a lease of the property in which my offices are situate has been executed in your favour and shall be obliged by your informing me if you are prepared to leave me in undisturbed occupancy of these premises, on expiry of my lease on the 30th June next, on the same terms as at present,-

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

Sd/- J.A. Simon

Agent General.

Ramchandra,
Champatty, Bombay.

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Accompaniment No. 4.

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Hashmat Mehal,

Chawpatty, Bombay,

27th April 1907.

To

Agent General,

British Protectorates in Africa.

Sir,

The lease for farming the rents is given to Mr. Kamal
Hassam. - He can renew the lease with you.

Yours faithfully,

Sd/- Nasrullah Khan.

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Accompaniment No 5
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No. 1463

18 MAY 07
Bombay, 2nd May 1907.

Registered for acknowledgment.

TRUE COPY.

Office premises.

Sir,

Referring to our interview on the 30th April last and your intention, which you then made known to me, to increase the rent of the premises now occupied by me, on expiry of the present lease, I beg to inform you that I am not prepared to pay any increased rent.-

2. I have therefore to request that you will be so good as to inform me at once whether or not you are willing to renew my present lease on its expiry on the 30th June next at the same rental and on the same terms and conditions.-

3. I ask for an immediate decision as the matter must be referred to the Secretary of State for the Colonies in London and I must in the event of your being unwilling to do so, take immediate steps to secure other premises.-

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

Sd/- J. A. Simson

Agent General.

Ramail Hassan,
Chowpatty,
Bombay.

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7660 B.C.A.

Yr off Sent 5.5 pm 10/5
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2d.

20 May

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Boundary

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MINUTE.

Mr. Bonarjee 20/5

Mr. Reed 20

Mr. Morris 20

Mr. Just 20

Mr. Atkinson 20

Mr. Cox 20

Mr. Lucas 20

Sir F. Hopwood 20

Mr. Churchill 20

The Earl of Elgin 20

4 May

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U.S. M. for Col.

Provisions

Same bldg. whr
to : Lady Grey
(A.M.
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