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Name of Individual

(Subject)

Mr Lord

1907

17 June

at previous Paper.

Mulle Forest bonus

Suggests in consid<sup>n</sup> of the surrender of the lease of Mulle Forest of 200 sq. miles, that fresh lease sh<sup>d</sup>. be granted of 100 sq. miles on terms stated

(Witness)

Mr Read

For the previous history of this bonus see my minute on 43,255. Since then it is on 6 Dec last we told Lord Nelson that nothing sh<sup>d</sup>. be done pending a report on the Forest, but that Lord Nelson considered that the Mulle Forest lease would be a good model for any amendment of the Mulle Forest. Unfortunately no report has yet been received on the Forest owing to the preoccupation of Mr Hutchins with the Ruwenzori.

of Kenya forests. Also, Mr. H. H. ...  
does not consider that the timber  
conditions of the Mabira Forest  
area ought to be followed in  
future years, as they are  
sufficiently provided for the neces-  
sitation of the forest.

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the lease of the Murie Forest shall  
be surrendered on condition that  
he & his friends shall have the  
right for 6 months to select  
in any district of the E. A. P.  
100 sq. miles of rubber forest  
I do not understand the  
terms on which he proposes that  
this grant should be made; it seems  
as if he should have it should  
be granted in regard to rubber  
which is about not intelligible  
terms.

My views are:  
(1) We cannot have a number  
to the ... which is

of Kenya forests. Also, Mr. Hatchett  
has not insisted that the timber  
conditions of the Mabira Forest  
be ~~met~~ <sup>will</sup> be followed in  
future years, so they do not  
sufficiently provide for the re-  
generation of the forest.  
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in any district of the E.A.P.  
100 sq. miles of rubber forest.  
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terms on which he proposes that  
the grant should be made; it sounds  
as if he asked what he  
should be regarded as the  
leasehold as regards timber  
which is doubt not intelligible  
terms.

May sees one  
(1) We cannot hear ourselves  
into the terms as well as

the next  
selected  
served

can grant unknown land to be  
collected hereafter. 627

(2) Subject to amendments to  
be suggested by Mr. Hutchins  
with respect to the Metric  
Foot lease is a of suitable  
model for a grant of this  
kind when the land in  
question has been ascertained  
and indicated.

(3) As to the last part of the letter  
there is no ground for assuming  
the rent due from Messrs  
Dierker & Macalister  
They obtained the lease on  
very favourable terms, & the  
fact that instead of developing  
it they are endeavouring to  
make a quick profit by transfer  
forming their rights to land  
Wetman, is wholly no ground  
for a revision of rent.

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F.O.

Don't know  
if it is  
all to be  
done by P.T.  
Hutchins  
E.

Mr. [unclear]

Reply that until land has been  
 actually selected, and Elgin report that  
 he is unable to state the terms on  
 which it can be granted, but that, if  
 they will send a report to the  
 Proctor, his Lordship will instruct  
 the local authorities to consider carefully  
 how far their wishes can be met & to  
 send their report to the fact that it  
 is proposed to commence the present part  
 - & say that 6 months will be allowed for as the period  
 - & with regard to the last part of which the  
 the letter writes in the sense of (3) of must  
 Mr. Elgin's minute - a copy of be sent  
 had to Adams letter & one copy to the  
 Comr. & with as (2) of the  
 Elgin's minute.

the period  
 which  
 must  
 to the  
 minutes  
 land  
 done

H. J. R.  
 26/6

To [unclear]

26th June 66

To General [unclear] [unclear] [unclear]

The [unclear]

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REGINA  
Bernascon



J.M. BERNASCON  
PROPRIETAIRE

to the Bureau de la J.B. 117

Mr. Brad

I am much obliged

to you for sending me

a letter of the 29 June

It has not arrived at the

place on Saturday the 7

and I am sure it will be

Yours truly

J.M. Bernascon

Miss [unclear] [unclear] [unclear]  
[unclear] [unclear] [unclear] [unclear]  
[unclear] [unclear] [unclear]

I am very  
Believe

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MILLHAM PLACE,  
OLDREY STREET, N.W.  
June 30 1927

Dear Mr. [unclear]  
I am very sorry  
that I have not been  
able to return you  
answer of my letter, before  
I leave for the [unclear]  
I had to [unclear]  
[unclear] & I should be

St. Louis, Mo. - 1879  
Dear Mr. ...

I am very  
Believe me,

RECEIVED  
MAY 30 1907

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B. WILKINSON PLACE,  
SLOANE STREET, N.Y.

June 30, 1907

Dear Mr. ...  
I am very sorry  
that I am not been  
able to obtain an  
answer to my letter, before  
I leave for the ...  
I shall be  
Thanking you I shall be



She is a copy of the  
Baltimore copy of the  
document.

I am  
Lovingly

RECEIVED  
JUN 30 1957

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5 WILBRAHAM PLACE,  
GLOUCESTER STREET, N.W.

June 30 1957

Dear Mr. Keck

I am very sorry  
that I have not been  
able to obtain an

answer to my letter, but

I have for the last

I have known

nothing & I should be

She & her sister & her

mother & father & her

name is

I have  
written

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6, WILKINSON PLACE,  
GLOUCE STREET S.W.

June 30, 1907

Dear Mr. Keble

I am very sorry  
that I have not been  
able to return you

name of my letter, but

I have for the last time

I shall be

meaning & I think to

Mr. Balthazar  
Private  
the friends of

very much obliged  
would send the  
the day of

Alfonso would  
be

Grand Hotel  
the name  
France

Balthazar  
of  
Balthazar

I should also  
send the

Mr. H. H. ...  
 I am  
 very much obliged if  
 you could allow me  
 to see it.

Grand Hotel Bern

Paris

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I should also have

been able to see it.

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of ...

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CARLTON CLUB.

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I must thank you and Mr. Hutchings for the very courteous reception you gave the deputation composed of Mr. Grenfell, Capt. Diespecker, and myself this afternoon when we came to talk to you about our Rubber concession at Montasa.

Acting on your suggestion that I should put in writing our proposals, the outcome of our conversation, I gladly comply with your request. I think I had better commence by giving a short account of the events which have happened since the Concession of the forest was granted to Capt. Diespecker, and Mr. McAllister. This forest was leased to them for a term of 21 years at a rental of \$400 a year. It was a forest of 200 square miles, 100 of which was for Capt. Diespecker and 100 for Mr. McAllister for the purpose of collecting, planting, and generally exploiting Rubber trees and trees.

My friends were asked to assist in developing the working plan, but before we could appeal for funds, I approached the Colonial Office with the view of obtaining an extension of the lease, as it would have been futile to ask for the necessary capital with a 21 years lease only, and I also requested that we might have the right to collect fibre and other products indigenous to the forest. I had a conversation with Lord Elgin and also with Mr. Antrobus on these points. I was informed that no decision would be arrived at, as the Colonial Office must wait for their experts report. I however carried away with me

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C. C. 21953  
HARLTON CLUB.

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*Dear Mr. Reed*

I must thank you and Mr. Hutchings for the very courteous reception you gave the deputation composed of Mr. Grenfell, Capt. Diespecker, and myself this afternoon when we came to talk to you about our Rubber concession at Mombasa.

Acting on your suggestion that I should put in writing our proposals, the outcome of our conversation, I gladly comply with your request.

As I had better commence by giving a short account of the events which have happened since the Concession of the forest was granted to Capt. Diespecker, and Mr. McAllister. This forest was leased to them for a term of 21 years at a rental of £400 a year. It was a forest of 200 square miles, 100 of which was for Capt. Diespecker and 100 for Mr. McAllister for the purpose of collecting, planting, and generally exploiting Rubber trees and trees.

I and other friends were asked to assist in developing the working of this forest, but as private appeals for funds, I approached the Colonial Office with the view of obtaining an extension of the lease, as it would have been futile to ask for the necessary capital with a 21 years lease only, and I also requested that we might have the right to collect rubber and other products indigenous to the forest. I had a conversation with Lord Elgin and also with Mr. Antrobus on these points, and I was informed that no decision could be arrived at, as the Colonial Office must wait for their experts report, I however carried away with me

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impression that there would be very little objection to these further  
 ... being as spent money in developing the forest. All this  
 opened more than six months ago, and up to the present time no Government  
 report on this forest has been received. This has caused very serious  
 delay and inconvenience, besides monetary loss as rent has had to be paid,  
 also survey fees etc. We have received reports that the natives have  
 been and are cutting and hacking the Vines in a manner most detrimental  
 to the plants, and moreover, they are selling the product to the Arabs on  
 the coast, who, to avoid the payment of export duty sell to the Germans  
 over the frontier. This is so far the history of the past.

At our interview to-day we discussed the situation frankly, and it  
 occurred to me and my friends that for the above reasons we could by  
 making mutual concessions, come to some satisfactory agreement, by which we  
 could obtain what we desire and at the same time assist in doing, which  
 suppose the Government desires, namely develop the country. We have,  
 in our opinion, a most valuable property of 200 square miles in the  
 Mbasa district and we would suggest that we surrender the lease under  
 the following conditions, which are the result of our conversation this  
 afternoon, and which I now submit to you in writing.

In consideration of the surrender of the lease of the M'ell Forest  
 of 200 square miles, we would suggest that the Government should grant  
 fresh leases to the Concessionaires, the latter to have the right to  
 select 100 sq. miles, either in one lot, or two lots of 50 sq. miles,  
 according as they think best in any district, and that they have at least  
 15 months in which to make their selection. That according to the

... of the country they have the freehold grant of land to plant  
... trees, but that on any plot they may select they have  
... the right to collect indigenous rubber and other products  
except timber.

That a separate lease be given for leave to fell timber in these  
is under the conditions named by Mr. Hutchings.

I desire to place before you in the strongest manner possible my  
... conviction that British investors will not invest their money  
... any undertaking with so short a lease as 21 years, and if it is the  
... desire of the Government to have British Capital invested in East Africa  
... which longer term is necessary. Mr. Hutchings' suggestion as to the  
... freehold grant which I have embodied in this latest draft I think my  
... efficiency, and if the Colonial Office will agree to the proposal I submit  
... believe it will be to the advantage of everyone who desires to develop  
... a country.

As this delay of coming to an arrangement has occurred through me  
... of the Commissionaires, I respectfully request that the Government  
... at the rent due in September on the Mzizi leases.

Believe me, Sir,  
Yours very truly,

Walter

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J. Reed  
Colonial Office



custom of the country they have the freehold grant of land to plant rubber trees, but that on any plot they may select this custom to extend the right to collect indigenous rubber and other forest products except timber.

That a separate lease be given for leave to fell timber in these plots under the conditions named by Mr. Hutchings.

I desire to place before you in the strongest manner possible my ~~own~~ conviction that British investors will not invest their money in any undertaking with so short a lease as 21 years, and if it is the wish of the Government to have British Capital invested in East Africa such longer term is necessary. Mr. Hutchings suggestion as to the freehold grant, which I have embodied in this letter, I think my duty, and if the Colonial Office will agree to the proposal I submit, believe it will be to the advantage of everyone who desires to develop the country.

As this delay of coming to an arrangement has occurred through me and the Commissaires, I respectfully submit that the Government permit the next day in September on the Nyell leases.

Believe me, Sir,

Yours very truly,

*Walter*

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Read by  
Colonial Office

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~~W. J. ...~~

29 June 1907

Amos ...

DRAFT.

Lord ...

MINUTE.

- Mr. Nathan 28/6
- Mr. Head 28
- Mr. Just.
- + Mr. Antrobus 28
- Mr. Cox
- Mr. Lucas
- Sir F. Hopwood
- Mr. Churchill.
- The ... of ...

I am directed by the Earl of Elgin to acknowledge the receipt of your Lordship's letter ... of the 17<sup>th</sup> of June, in which you state ... return for the ... of the concession of a rubber ... <sup>in the E.A. Prot</sup> ... held by Captain ... and ... the concession ... should be granted fresh lease of land to be chosen by them in any district

I am to inform you that ... land has been actually ...

Lord Elgin reports that he is unable to state the ...

copy for ...

will send on right to  
the Protectorate, his  
lordship will instruct

the local authorities to

for your order, can  
be met and by we due  
weight to the fact that  
it is proposed to curtail  
the present grant

3. Six months will be  
fixed as the period within  
which you will be required  
to indicate to the local  
authorities, the land which  
you desire to acquire.

4. With regard to the

land near the station

near the station

it is noted that he is unable to

comply with your request, as there does not appear to be

any more of the land

due from Capt Deepfucker

and Mr. Callister on

the Kwele land

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June, 29 June 1907

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East Africa (no. 365)

For

Lt. Col. J. H. ...

MINUTE

Mr. ...

Mr. ...

Mr. ...

Mr. ...

Mr. ...

Mr. ...

Mr. ...

Mr. ...

The ...

land ... 29 June 1907

29 June (-) 4th ...

I have the honor to  
transmit to you, with respect to  
the Jackson's despatch no  
89 of the 5th of March and  
previous correspondence the  
accompanying copy of a  
correspondence with Lord  
Dalgair on the subject of  
the Kwele Forest Reserve  
at present held by Capt  
Deepfucker and his  
heir and estate.

When the land to be  
taken up in substitution for  
the Kwele area has been  
ascertained and a decision  
I am sure that subject to  
an agreement to be  
arranged by his Excellency  
the Governor and the  
Secretary of State for  
Colonies.