

the L.C. of H. M. Treasury
 have not seen their
 way to approve of
 the increase of £40
 in the salary of
 Mr. Hunt, Head Clerk,
 Kisumu, for which
 provision was made
 in the Estimates, and
 that his salary must
 accordingly remain
 at £100

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Mr. G. E. Smith R.E.

Refers to letter on Estimates 1909-10. Cannot
 see necessity for retaining Mr. Smith's services
 for further period of 18 mos. at an increased
 cost as proposed.

W. Bottomley
 W. Read.

I think you must consider this. The Treasury
 insist on a net reduction of £22,000 in the
 Estimates of expenditure for 1909-10. I
 think they have every justification for
 doing so. I am putting forward suggestions
 for effecting such a reduction as
 are still needed on Treasury. If we
 fulfil the proposal to keep Mr. Major Smith
 at £90, £100 ~~will~~ have to come off the
 Estimates elsewhere. In the present
 state of the Post Office and ...

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W.D. Lx/s

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A. J. R.

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In reply to letter the financing
Number should be quoted

TREASURY CHAMBERS

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14th May 1909

Sir,

I have laid before the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury Mr. Antrobus's letter of the 20th ultimo (9666/1909), enclosing copy of a despatch from the Governor of the East Africa Protectorate in which he recommends the extension for a period of eighteen months of the service of Major G.E. Smith R.E., as Director of Surveys in the Protectorate, at an increased salary of £900 a year.

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Since Mr. Antrobus's letter was written, the Earl of Crewe will have received the letter from this Department expressing Their Lordships' views with regard to the East Africa Protectorate Estimates for 1909-10, and pressing for a reduction of expenditure generally; and with this in view his Lordship may perhaps be disposed to reconsider the present proposal. But in any case I am to say that on present information My Lords are not convinced of the necessity for retaining Major Smith's services at an increased cost when, as They understand from the Governor's despatch, there is a perfectly competent successor at hand who might be appointed to the post without involving any additional expense.

I am,
Sir,
Your obedient Servant

The Under Secretary of State,
Colonial Office

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Sir,

- Mr. Puckin 20/5
- Mr. ~~Butt~~ 20/5
- Mr. Just.
- Mr. Antrobus.
- Mr. Coz.
- Sir C. Lucas.
- Sir F. Hopwood.
- Col. Seely.
- The Earl of Crew.

with ref^{ce} to Sir / Hays

Letter Sep. N° 79 of the
 15 Feb. recommending the
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 the Postgraduate at an
 increased salary of £900

I have the honour to
 inform you that the L. C. of
~~H. A.~~