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 to request that you  
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 to place himself in  
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 Receipt Paper

Claim of Home Trading Co.

in respect of loss of \$1000 deposited with  
 the Bank of India, London, in  
 1895, which was paid to the  
 Home Trading Co.

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It is stated that, in view of what is  
 stated in the last para, but one of  
 the to B. White, the amount for which  
 it is claimed is \$1000, between the 22<sup>nd</sup> &  
 the 23<sup>rd</sup>, but the Home Trading Co.  
 has a claim against the Bank of India  
 that it would be well to ascertain  
 from Mr. Zapher whether the same  
 would not constitute the undertaking  
 the custody of the money, and would  
 be a very good thing for a firm  
 official to make himself responsible  
 unconditionally for the safe custody of  
 a private Co's money? J.R.

Subsequent Paper

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I would go further ~~say~~ <sup>open</sup> that  
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... officer of the Govt authority to  
... take charge of the money which  
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... arise of any just liability, but  
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FOREIGN OFFICE

August 22, 1910.

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Sir:-

I am directed by Secretary Sir E. Grey to transmit to you herewith a copy of a letter from the Boma Trading Company respecting the loss of Five thousand Boulders on the Abyssinian border.

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Bulding Co  
Aug 10

Sir E. Grey would be glad to learn what action the Earl of Crewe would wish taken in the matter.

I am,

Sir,

Your most obedient,

humble servant,

*W. Langley*

Under Secretary of State,  
Colonial Office

C. O.  
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THE BOMA TRADING COMPANY, LIMITED

38, LICE STREET,

LONDON, E.C.

August 10th, 1910.

Sir:-

We have the honour to put before you the following facts with reference to the loss of 3,000 dollars on the Abyssinian Border and the property of this Company.

This Company was granted permission in 1908 by the Under Secretary of State for the Colonies to trade from Nairobi, British East Africa to the Abyssinian border and at the same time a permit was obtained from the Emperor Menelik to trade in Abyssinia South as the British East African border.

In July of last year, Captain G. W. Fiddell, M.V.O., our then General Manager, proceeded from Nairobi to the Abyssinian Border and carried with him 3,000 Abyssinian dollars in boxes for the purpose of trading. On arrival at the border (i.e. Fort Harkinson) Captain Fiddell found that he did not at that time require the

Under Secretary of State,  
for Foreign Affairs,  
Foreign Office.

money and Mr. Zaphiro, the Government Agent, agreed to take care of same in Fort Harrington, until another of this Company's employees arrived.

Mr. Zaphiro gave Captain Riddell a clean receipt for the money and this is now in our possession.

In December last the British East Africa Government informed our Manager in Nairobi that the Government troops in Fort Harrington had captured and stolen the 5,000 dollars referred to, and that every effort would be made to capture the culprits, but we are informed that no capture was effected.

The matter has been taken up with His Excellency Sir Percy Girouard, one of our Directors, and a claim for the sum of 5,000 pounds, but the claim was refused on the ground that Mr. Zaphiro was not an employee of the Protectorate, but is controlled by the British Minister at Addis Ababa, and we therefore beg to make a formal claim from the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs for the sum of 5,000 pounds, the equivalent of 5,000 dollars stolen.

Copies

Copies of the correspondence with His Excellency Sir Percy Girouard are in our possession and we should be pleased to shew the copies to you if you desire to see same.

We have, &c.,

For and on behalf of the Boma Trading Company Limited,

(Signed) T. H. Bailey

Director.

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25 Aug, 1940

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 22nd of August [unclear]  
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