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*Abyssinian Raids*

Send info as to present state of negotiations with King Menelik for the settlement of the frontier between Abyssinia and S. Africa.

in letter (minutes) See also 30772  
copy of Sp. 31023 with copy for  
the Hon. Commr of Uganda + the  
S.A.P. conf. for info

H. J. P.  
14/10/01

W.H. Oct 18

or individual

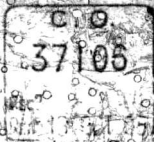
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FOREIGN OFFICE,

October 17th, 1905.

Sir:-

I am directed by the Marquess of Lansdowne to acknowledge the receipt of your letter 33073/1905 of the 7th instant on the subject of Abyssinian raids in the North of the Uganda Protectorate.

In reply to your request for information as to the present state of the negotiations with King Menelik for the settlement of the frontiers between Abyssinia and the British East Africa Protectorate, I am to state for the information of Mr. Secretary Lyttelton, that from private intelligence which has just reached this Office it appears that no great difficulty is to be apprehended as to the adoption of the line suggested by Mr. Butler in the recent survey, with the exception of the Girrhi country in the South East of Abyssinia. The negotiations over this portion of the frontier are at present at a stand-

still

Under Secretary of State,  
Colonial Office.

standstill, King Menelek claiming the Girri as  
 Boras and Sir J. Harrington as of Somali or non-  
 Boran origin, and the latter has applied to the au-  
 thorities of the British East Africa Protectorate for  
 further information on this point.

Although there is no immediate prospect of King  
 Menelek yielding to the views put forward by His  
 Majesty's Representative, Sir J. Harrington is hopeful  
 that the settlement of the frontier will not be long  
 delayed.

I am, Sir,

Sir,

Your most obedient

humble servant,

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