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(Subject)

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Uniforms of Police Officers

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Submits memo by Actg Dep Secy re - agrees with  
all Capt R. H. D. K. remarks

(Minutes)

Mr. Ellis

Mr. Jackson in the court

Their idea is to have a smart uniform  
if a smart uniform will help to  
induce recruits - work for help it  
will be easier to procure than especially  
as the coat is not large. But not need  
on wood, the smart is a fine looking, although  
all the W.A. Police Officers carry one, & so far as  
patent leather Wellingtons. The W.A. only require  
the <sup>(patent leather)</sup> it leaves - England & the W.A. ~~only~~  
near the at Mess.

Shipped overalls are not used in the W.A. except  
with cold weather men but in the Guards don't use  
them.  
I have discussed the matter with Capt  
Graham & Capt Crawford who both consider  
that shipped overalls & patent leather Wellingtons  
Boots are a useless expense and unnecessary  
on the grounds as well.

The collar stations are not worth further  
strip, but taking the proposals all  
round, I think it is inadvisable that  
Officers should have to purchase these  
smart clothes with a view to encourage

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has to be made...  
as to the pattern...  
I don't think they are  
with advantage, for the  
whole cost of the uniform...  
for my chief...  
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Commissioner's Office

Nairobi,

August 9th 1906.

EAST AFRICA PROTECTORATE

No. 487

(Incl. 1)

My Lord,

with reference to Your Lordship's despatch No. 377 of  
2nd ultimo regarding the uniform of European Officers of the  
East Africa Protectorate Police, I have the honour to enclose  
herewith a copy of a memorandum by the Acting Inspector General  
of Police dealing with the points raised.

I agree with all of Captain Biddick's remarks. The sword  
I consider a necessary part of a police officer's uniform; and  
the strapped overalls, upright collars and patent leather half  
 Wellington boots are much smarter than other articles, whilst  
the expense is relatively small. The so-called "silver"

buttons

His Secretary of State

for the Colonies,

Downing Street

LONDON, S. W.

buttons only cost 1d. each.

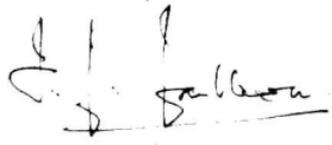
I have the honour to be,

With the highest respect,

My Lord,

Your Lordship's most obedient,

humble servant,



(In the absence of H.W. Commissioner)

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MEMORANDUM

I think we should keep the sword. I have never yet known of any Semi Military Corps without a sword, and as we do guards of honour parades &c. a sword is necessary. The cost is £2.10.0.

I consider the upright collar preferable to the roll collar. All the Protectorate Departments and the Military wear the upright which is really cooler than the roll as no starched collar is necessary.

The suits cost locally about ten shillings. The expression "silver buttons" is misleading. The buttons are white metal and cost one penny each.

The half Wellington boots are only for ceremonial, and are preferable to any thing more serviceable as they are much smarter. The same applies to the strapped overall - it makes all the difference in the appearance of the officer.

Sd/- C. RIDDICK, Capt..

Acting Inspector General of Police.

Nairobi,

August 8th 1906.

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7 September 1906

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MINUTE.

Mr. Lobb 7/9

Mr. Ellis

Mr. Antrobus

Mr. Cox

Mr. Lucas

Mr. Graham

Sir M. Ommanney

Mr. Churchill

The Earl of Elgin

7/9/06

Sir, I have the honour to  
 acknowledge the receipt of  
 your Jackson's Serp No  
 437 of the 9<sup>th</sup> of Aug  
 last and to inform  
 you that in view  
 of what is stated  
 therein and on the  
 memo by the 18<sup>th</sup> of  
 the Police which  
 accompanied that  
 Serp, I approve of  
 the uniform for  
 European Officers of the