

Chamberlain was informed  
 that his complaint that  
 he was not allowed to  
 select 11 acres of 20,000 acres  
 from the area originally  
 applied for which he  
 requested. I request  
 that you will cause him  
 to be informed that it is  
 clear from his complaint  
 with the Land Officer,  
 which was considered in your despatch  
 No 64 that the local  
 facts are ready to meet  
 his wishes, so  
 far as is reasonably  
 possible, in this respect.

in. Will regard to Mr.  
 Chamberlain's request for  
 a personal interview with  
 me. I should be glad if  
 you would inform him  
 that, having my carefully  
 considered the returns no  
 longer on the subject of  
 his claim, I do not see

that there is any  
 which requires further  
 consideration, and  
 accordingly I do not  
 consider that our  
 interview would be  
 any useful purpose.



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EAST AFR. PROT.  
 No. 9481

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(Subject.)

Application for Land Grant

Give particulars of grant required  
 and how S of S will approve

(Answer.)

Mr. Hunt writes  
 reply that no report has been  
 received from the Commr with  
 regard to his offer, that if he  
 hears with telegraph, at his  
 refusal, asking for  
 I add that one of the conditions  
 of such a grant would be that  
 the tenant should spend at  
 least £5000 on developing  
 the land within a reasonable period  
 so that it would be worth of his  
 capital invested some profit &  
 his duty to do this

I omit

and send copy of report to the Commr

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MAR 06  
CAVALRY CLUB  
127, PICCADILLY, W.



To The East African Dept.  
Colonial Office

Mar. 18<sup>th</sup> 06

Dear Sir

With reference to our  
conversation of the 16<sup>th</sup> inst  
I beg to submit the following  
re the fibre land I have put  
in for near Tsavo. I received  
a reply from the land office  
Nairobi saying that such  
parts of land must be saved

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owned by the Secretary of  
State. I have put in for  
100 square miles, 30 miles  
south of Tsavo Station on the  
north side of Mount Kenya  
for the purpose of cutting  
Sarcocolla fibre, treating  
it, and exporting it. My  
intention of working it is  
not speculating with the  
land. I can guarantee  
sufficient capital to work  
the land properly. The land  
in question is not suitable

for farming or small  
holdings as it is in an  
unhealthy part of the country. I hope my application  
will meet with your approval as my whole in-  
terests ~~is~~ are in East  
Africa and under the  
circumstances I think  
that I can make a good  
business of it, as, if success  
is attained the people who  
are helping me intend  
running these own ships  
which would facilitate  
the trade of other products  
in the country, as at present

the shipping rates are too  
high to insure good trade  
in other products

I hope you will be able to  
let me know if I may take  
up the land shortly, as I  
intend going out very soon  
& I should like to settle  
up the business before leaving  
this country as there is a  
lot to be seen to re Engage  
etc.

Y<sup>r</sup> sincerely  
W. M. L.

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EAT

*Sm*

28 March 1906

DRAFT



*W.D. Cole Esq*

Sir

In reply to your letter of the 10 inst, I am directed by the E of Elgin to inform you that no report has yet been received from the Comms of the EAT with regard to your application for a grant of land in the Protectorate, but that Lord Elgin is prepared to telegraph for such a report if you are prepared to defray the cost.

MINUTE.

- Mr. Lobb
- Mr. Head
- Mr. Antrobus
- Mr. Cor.
- Mr. Lucas
- Mr. B. ...
- Sir M. O'Malley
- Mr. Churchill
- The Earl of Elgin.

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used. Good  
my case be done

Co. Dep. Recd.

April 6<sup>th</sup> 56

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without the sanction  
of the Secretary for  
the Colonies, and the  
the Commissioner is  
warding my application  
for sanction.

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for is about 2000 acres  
south of Tsavo station  
on the Uganda railway  
the lease is for 100 years  
in extent, & suitable

ly for cutting fibre  
for Export  
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There are to the best  
of my belief no natives  
living on the land in  
question. Similar plots  
have recently been leased  
to other people for the  
same purpose  
I am fully prepared  
to develop the land in  
case of its being granted  
I am very much

with the sanction of the Secretary for the Colonies, and the Commissioner in charge of the land in the Colony. Similar applications have recently been made for sanction.

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I am desirous of  
for East Africa  
Friday April 13<sup>th</sup> and  
I hope that when  
a application arrives  
from the Commission  
(which should be as  
early as possible) it will be  
with your approval

I am  
Yours  
for ever  
obedient

To  
Her Majesty's  
Secretary of State  
for the Colonies  
Whitehall

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22 March

Dear Churchill

The branch (the  
of the Government) wants to  
have a talk with you  
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S. J. Colman  
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& Lancans) wants to  
have a talk with you  
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for which he has lately  
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Yr. servant

W. Kinnaird Smith.

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