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Office of Individual

(Subject)

to R. B. McMont

1906

Application for land near Juvoo
for fish farming

27 July

Explains why he applies for 100 sq. miles
hopes that the matter will be settled as he is
anxious to start work

Last previous Paper.

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(Signature)

Mr. Centrolus

I think as in previous cases
we should only grant 50 sq. miles
and the grant sh. be conditional on
his surrendering any other land
claims he has which he may
have - The terms sh. be
the same as Messrs. Parry
& King's case under which
they must deposit £1,000
returnable when £5,000
has been expended on the
property.

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Mr. Woodhouse about Mr.
Ed mentions as his present
backer has not called but

The Commission
July 27 1906

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The advantage of an agreement like
this is that they can't make
it without putting some money
down which sifts the out the
men of straw better than any other
rands.

I'd tell the Commr to
offer Mr Cole an agreement on
these terms

MM 24/8

kindly

The claimant seems to
me to make out a case for the
100 square miles, an area which
you in fact approved on 1930/36.

Authorise the Commr to grant
this amount & send him out this
letter and ask him to submit
to us here a draft agreement.

As I tell Mr Cole we are
in communication with the for
the matter who has been directed to
prepare a draft agreement
I send it here soon 35/8
to save time.

I agree. I note that the area was
reduced after the 100 square miles had been
approved by me without restriction. I must
object to this being done. E 3.9

Mr. Antrobus

I think Mr. Cole had
not noticed it when he wrote
his minute that Mr. Cole
is now in the A.P.
Consequently it will not
save time but the opposite
to ask for the draft lease
to be sent home; & I don't
think it is necessary either
as in other similar cases
we have approved of the grant of
leases without seeing the
draft & the general terms
can be indicated by ref. to
previous grants of like
nature.

As Mr. Cole's lease has been
delayed owing to a misreading
of Lord Elgin's
wishes in the I think
telegraph - Draft to be
mitted. MM 24/8 P. 10

It can be that the
draft was altered by
me (on second thought)
I mean saw it
then done & reconsidered
if they would come in

I have added a sentence
as to his claim for land
considered, wh. it appears
from his letter he is willing
to surrender if he ~~is~~
is given the 100 square miles.

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via Mombasa

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Sir

I have received your letter concerning my application for 100 sq miles of land near Tavo for the purpose of cutting fibre & the Commissioner's comments on it. I would like to tell you why I applied for 100 sq miles & what the commissioner told me about it.

I applied for 100 sq miles of land which I chose, it was 20 miles from the line which increases the expense of transport.

I found that at that distance from the railway a smaller amount would hardly pay for the machinery to treat the fibre.

That similar grants had been given to other people.

That Sir Donald Stewart had approved of the application before his death.

I explained all this when I arrived here to the present Commissioner & he

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 Commissioning Colonel Moutgomery
 & my brother-in-law, Lord Delamere
 that he had approved of my applica-
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 his being so lenient, he hoped I would
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 wanted for a massive reserve. There
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 However I conceded to his wishes
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fibres, this with 20 miles of transport through difficult country does not leave much margin for profits. I hope you will be able to rectify this for me, as I am very keen to start work at once & I have already spent a good deal of money in this country & am being interested in it.

I remain &c

Yours sincerely

Servant

R. Berkeley



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Col. Sadler

Indy 14th Sept '08

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to you for your info.
the accompanying copy
of a letter from Mr.
R. B. Cole, as and
to inform you in
confirmation of my
letter of the 12th inst
that, I suppose of
on further course,
affair of your granting
him a lease of 150
square meters of land
for fibre growing
on terms similar to
that offered in the
case of M. J. ...

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Mr. ...

Lord ...

~~Mr. Cole to C.O. 27/8/08~~

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respect of other land
on the Abode range
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in acknowledging his
letter to me

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the owner does not desire
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respect of the land
on the Aberdeen range
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