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(Subject)

Application for Land  
Capt Mackenzie Murray

One third of area is good grazing land, one third for, and the remainder useless. In view of presence of settlers on borders of proposed reserve does not recommend approval.

(Minutes)

Mr. Read  
Mr. Havelburg a settler in the neighbourhood recently mentioned to Mr. Antshur of my own history objection to this scheme

Case that the office sh. be refused. (Private Res. may like to refer to Mr. Cranworth, whose letter is annexed to 34198)

W. Antshur. So proposed?  
K. J. R.

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Commissioner's Office,  
Nairobi.

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No. 123

With reference to Your Lordship's despatch No. 24 of February 20th and previous correspondence respecting Captain Mackenzie Murray's application for an area in the Kenya Province to be utilized as a private game reserve, I have the honour to express my regret that the further information requested by Your Lordship has been delayed for so long.

This delay was occasioned by the fact that Mr. Powell whom I instructed to inspect and report on the agricultural possibilities of the land was detained in Nairobi by his other duties and was only recently able to make his visit.

It now appears from his report that about one

third

Principal Secretary of State

for the Colonies,

Downing Street,

LONDON, S.W.

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third of the area is good grazing land, one third fair and the remainder useless.

4. Having regard to the disclosure of these facts and to the presence of settlers on the borders of the proposed reserve, which might prove a serious incursion to the wild fauna increased to a large extent, I should not now feel justified in recommending Captain Murray's application.

I have the honour to be,

With the highest respect,

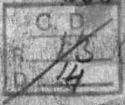
My Lord,

Your Lordship's most obedient,

humble servant,

  
Acting Commissioner.

Comm. SAs  
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14 May 1907

Sir,  
I have the honor to  
ack. the recd. of Mr.  
Jackson's dep. no. 123  
of the 4<sup>th</sup> of April, and  
to inf. you that I  
concur in his view that  
it is undesirable to  
grant the commission  
of the 4<sup>th</sup> of April by  
Capt. Mackenzie, having  
of land in the Mungwa  
Province to be used as  
a private game reserve

DRAFT

A. P. (no. 266)

For  
Lt. Col. Hayer Suddens

MINUTE.

- Mr. Norton
- Mr. Reid
- Mr. Just
- Mr. Anson
- Mr. C...
- Mr. ...
- Sr. Hopwood
- Mr. Churchill
- The Port of Elgin

Refer to Minute ...  
the ...

*[Signature]*  
Elgin

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In Despatch No. 11 of 4th 4, 1907

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OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER FOR LANDS,

NAIROBI.

SOUTH. NAIROBI. 1907.

I have the honour to inform you that your complaints have been carefully considered by the Land Officer and myself, and the following orders are sent with the approval of H.E. the Acting Commissioner.

2. I will first mention the points on which you have a reasonable ground for complaint.

It is true that a small part of your farm has been rendered inaccessible to you by the quarantine fence. The Chief Veterinary Officer is being directed to divert the fence, so as to bring all your property inside.

Your farm has certainly been cut through by roads. In consideration of this fact, if and when the old Fort Hill Road is abandoned, the land occupied by it inside your property will be made over to you, although it is not included in the area conveyed to you in your deed.

Moreover as it appears that the banks of one of the new roads are rather steep the Executive Engineer will be requested to cut one or two crossings by which your cattle can cross with facility.

3. On the other hand I am obliged to inform you that your claims

TO  
MRS. SANDBACH BAKER,

NAIROBI.

your claims as regards the Forest and the Government Farm cannot be allowed. There is no intention of giving up the land occupied by the Government Farm, and it is not considered advisable at the present time to allow grazing in the Forest Reserve.

I may add that Mr. Jackson suggested that any extra grazing in the Government Farm might be allowed you as an act of grace until it may be required by the Government. But I have ascertained that the only spare grazing is infected by coast fever, as Government cattle suffering from this illness have been and are using it.

4. You hold your land under a deed dated 27th. October 1905, and the grant is governed by the Crown Lands Ordinance. We cannot consider any supposed promises made to you before you signed the deed, and as a fact no promises have been proved.

Under the Crown Lands Ordinance the Commissioner has power to make public roads through your property, and there is no obligation on the part of the Government to fence such roads.

I have the honour to be,

Madam,

Your most obedient servant,

*J. M. [Signature]*  
Commissioner for Lands.