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Delimitation of S. border of Abyssinia

Sends tel. from Addis Ababa re: certain changes suggested by Maj. Ferguson. With off. reply to Lord Kereley instructing him to explain changes to Abyssinian Comm. & quote similar modifications made by Ferguson on Sudan frontier & accepted by Mevelli.

W- article. See also ⁷⁰/₇₇₉₇ & Treaty
See map attached
beneath on which I have marked by
red-pencil crosses Mevelli, Kuffale, &
Chine Mogyale. I have been unable to

identify the Inspection Station at Mogyale,
but I assume that it is somewhere in the
neighborhood of Chine Mogyale, so that
the piece of territory which we had
surrendered is probably as indicated (roughly)
by the dotted red-pencil line. We have
no indication of what has been given to
Abyssinia, but I think that we may
yet ascertain that Major Ferguson, who has
had previous experience as Comm. of the
Sudan Abyssinian delimitation, has

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make a satisfactory arrangement.

Concern: the draft reply - send
copy of concepts to the firm of the
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file a satisfactory arrangement.
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In any further communication on this subject, please quote

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and address—
The Under-Secretary of State,
Foreign Office,
London.

FOREIGN OFFICE

March 3rd, 1909.

W. L. Langley

mediate.

Sir:-

With reference to Foreign Office letter of the 27th ultimo No. 7639/09 respecting the delimitation of the Southern frontier of Abyssinia, I am directed by Secretary Sir E. Grey to transmit to you herewith, to be laid before the Secretary of State for the Colonies, a paraphrase of a telegram from His Majesty's Chargé d'Affaires at Adis Ababa together with the draft of a telegram which it is proposed to despatch in reply to Lord H. Hervey on the subject.

I am to enquire if the Earl of Crewe concurs in the terms of the draft telegram to Lord H. Hervey.

I am,

Sir,

Your most obedient,

humble Servant,

W. L. Langley

The Under Secretary of State,
Colonial Office.

to
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H. Hervey
No. H. P.

draft telegram

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Paraphrase of telegram from Lord H. Hervey to
No. 11
Sir E. Grey, dated Adis Ababa, February 26th, 1909.

Southern Frontier Commission.

My immediately preceding telegram.

I received yesterday a letter from Major Gwynne stating that the new line which has been marked out up to Moyele varies materially from the line marked on the map attached to the Treaty. We have conceded to Abyssinia a large portion of country to the West of Ursull. On the other hand the Kuffoli corner has been cut off and placed in our territory so as to include the Inspector's station at Moyele, that will be found to be situated to the North of the line marked in red, and also the wells and road.

It is reported that Mr. Zaphiro is accompanying the Commission back to Adis Ababa in which case it is impossible to send him a message.

May I use my discretion to explain the necessity for the changes in the line to the German whom the Abyssinians have appointed their Commissioner.

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Draft telegram to Lord H. Hervey (Addis Ababa)

Your telegram No. 11

You should explain to Abyssinian
commissioner and quote similar
modifications made by Gwynn on
Sudan frontier and accepted by Menelik.