3000 /10/0/19/16 Serve 935 (Caf) of march 1914. Draft Bonfidential Soveti Serseffield. I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your telegram Motonley 31/8/14 dougateh 10 of the 27 of march, and to inform you that Sapprove of your action in informing the Office Commanding The Troops that his future operations should be directed to the early control of the harden and the reestablishment -y prestige in that quarter with sotablishment of

Paraphrase of Tologram fine Governor & 2 e the Secretary of State (Received, Colonia, Office, 10.25 a.m., 28th March, 1914) Comes to 70 10 alwo patall 1914, LF March 27th. Your telegram h of February * Report has been received from Inspector General on the present situation. He considers that Graham's proposals for 469future action are sound that transport and movement of reinforcements asked for by him and necessitated by the uncertain attitude of other Somali tribes is sufficient and appropriate. The local Marshan situation does not in his opinion, give serious cause for anxiety, but he consider that the general military situation is unsound. Practically all the available troops of the two protectorates "ill be 250 miles from the base and so line of communication will be difficult as there are tribes with uncertain attitude. on the flank line. He considers that it is of the utmost importance that some troops should be released at the earliest opportunity; that complete disarmament should not be our object, but the early control over Marchan and re-establishment of prestige subsequent to immediate establishment of civil administration. He considers that a ?competent civilian officer should be sent to the warehan country ready to parley if desire to submit is shown by the tribes I have sent the following telegram to Officer Commanding the Troops. Begins: your future operations should be directed to the early control of the Marchan and re-establishment of our prestige in that quarter with early establishment of civil administration, and not to their complete disarmament. End of talegram.

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