

for. 14271/1914 27 april 1914 with reference to the letter from this Office is Telle st. the 27 g Sept 7911, 8 30 previous corres, I am & to transmit to you Mr. Sarper 24/4/14 Mr. Read 24 to be laid before secr. Sir G. Fiddes. In Edward frey, the Sir H. Just. Sir J. Anderson. accompanying any 2 a Lord Emmott. Mr. Harcourt. depatch from the for. and ho 63. 26 Manual ghe sap on the subject of the German claims in the Portectorte g With. 2. Bu Harcourt concurs in the

affecting the development of the Witu Protectorate, as a large extent of country is thereby indefinitely tied up.

4. I would therefore venture to suggest that the parties interested be informed, through the Foreign Office, that, in default of their commencing action to substantiate their claims within 6 months from receipt of such notice, all rights, if any, which they may hold by virtue of previous arrangement, will be deemed to have lapsed.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your humble, obedient servant,

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EAST AFRICA PROTECTORATE.

CONFIDENTIAL No.63.

March 26th, 1914.

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Sir,

I have the honour to refer to the correspondence relating to German claims in the Protectorate of With ending with your Confidential despatch of September 28th, 1911.

- 2. In the absence of any information to the contrary I presume that I am correct in supposing that the claimants have not so far taken any steps to establish their alleged rights in any court of law, as suggested in Sir G. Fiddes' letter No.18573 of June 12th, 1911, to the Foreign Office enclosed in your Confidential despatch of the 14th idem.
- 3. I would wish to invite your attention to the fact that this delay is detrimentally affecting

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE

LEWIS HARCOURT, P.C., M.P.,

SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES,

LONDON, S.W.

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