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Reports proposed to send Mr P. F. Browne to S. Africa to endeavour to recruit men. Stages allowances etc. Cost will be met from savings Request.

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I do not like this proposal at all. If there are Europeans in South Africa suitable and fit for appointment to the East Africa Protectorate Police Force, they are presumably suitable and fit for military service which should have the first claim on them. Telegraph to the Governor pointing this out, and say that unless it is absolutely impossible for the Police force to carry on without these additional appointments, Mr. Browne should not be sent to South Africa; that, if it is essential he may be sent, but the number of recruits obtained should be restricted to the minimum. Ask for a reply by telegram as to what is intended so that we may communicate with the Union Government before he starts.

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