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Subj. 56577  
4 Nov 58997

Belgian goods detained at Rotterdam  
Refusal to release.

Submit affid from J. J. Verloest & C. to permission  
to export cargo of Capt. Helme shipped at Antwerp  
in July 1914 for German St. Adolf Wissmann  
which took refuge at Rotterdam & since detained  
there. Goods are property of 1. Regime of Antwerp.

M. DavisA. J. R.

30/12/15

W. Head

(By telegraph him to obtain  
from Rigore & Son a statement  
contradict his statement in  
his affidavit, namely with  
particulars as to the cargo of  
goods to Capt. Helme, how much  
was paid him & if laid for, when  
& labour payment was made: any  
evidence docket he had have to  
name him.

See recd of sub. to Adm Co.

H. J. R.  
30/12/15

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In any further communication  
on the subject, please quote

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Our address—  
The Under Secretary of State  
Foreign Office  
London, S.W. 1, England

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December 29 1915.

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Sir,

With reference to your letter No. 565<sup>b</sup> of the 1/11 instant  
relative to the export of Belgian goods I am directed  
by Secretary Sir E. Grey to transmit to you herewith a  
copy of a letter from Messrs. J.W.F. Vervleest and Company  
expressing the desire to export certain goods from  
Rotterdam to the British East African Protectorate.

As the naphthaline in question has been in Belgium  
since August 1914, and is to be consigned to a British  
colony Sir E. Grey would be glad to learn whether His  
Majesty's Consul General at Rotterdam should be instructed  
to issue a shipment permit in respect thereof.

Sir E. Grey presumes that Mr. Secretary Bemar Law  
will, before granting facilities for the shipment of the  
goods, ascertain their origin and whether they have  
actually been paid for by the consignees.

I am,

Sir,

Your most obedient,

humble Servant,

*W. Rangley*

Under Secretary of State,

Colonial Office.

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J.T. VERVLOET & CO.

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ROTTERDAM,

December 10th, 1915.

Dear Sir:-

We have on hand here L.W. 501/600, 100 bags  
Mombassa  
naphthaline 10000 Kilos., being the property of Messrs. L.  
Frigorio & Co., Mombassa (British East Africa), represent-  
ed by Mr. Henry Piaggio, Genoa (Italy).

The above cargo was shipped at Antwerp July 24th 1914  
(before the war) by German steamer "Adolf Woermann" which  
steamer took refuge into the port of Rotterdam and landed  
the cargo here.

Mr. Henry Piaggio wants us to ship this cargo to  
Mombassa or if this cannot be done to Genoa, and as at  
present the permission of the British Consulate at this  
port is required for shipping in these directions, we  
request you to authorise H.B.M. Consul at Rotterdam to  
grant a permit for the above shipment.

Thanking you in advance and awaiting the pleasure to  
hear from you,

We beg &c.,

P.P. J.T. VERVLOET & CO.

(Signed) H. HULSMAN.

The Under Secretary of State,  
Foreign Office.



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Supt

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E.A.P.

To be

for Mr. H.C. Belfield

MINUTE.

Mr. Harper 1/1/1916

Mr. Bottomley 1/1/16

Mr.

Mr.

Sir G. Piddes.

Sir H. Just.

Sir J. Anderson.

Mr. Steel-Maitland.

Mr. Bonar Law.

Ans'd 20/4/16

sir,  
Have the honour to transmit  
to you the acc. copy of a  
letter from the F.O., with  
enclosure, on the  
~~subject~~ of the application  
from J.T. Verwoert & Co. for  
permission to export a cargo  
of naphthaline from Rotterdam  
to the Antwerp ~~and~~ and to  
request that you will obtain  
from Messrs. Frigerio &

and forward to me a  
statement showing his  
connection with the statement  
with particulars as to the  
country of origin of the naphthaline.

F.O. 27 Dec. (59940)

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