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Belgian Operations against German East Africa.
Memo as to position with drawn up for Belgian Govt. Co. will have an opportunity of seeing this before it is sent.

Mr. Beckwith Mr. Lambert
Mr. Reed Mr. Just
Mr. J. Anderson

This partly concerns E. Afr. Dept and partly S. Afr. Dept.

When we speak of the position in the E. A. F. Dept. I suppose in both E. A. F. and S. A. F., which latter is of importance to the Belgians.

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Any further communication on this subject should be addressed to—

The Secretary,
War Office,
London, S.W.

and the following number quoted.

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War Office,
London, S.W.

079/3098 (M.O.1).

6th. January, 1915.

Sir,

I am commanded by the Army Council to acknowledge receipt of Colonial Office letter No. 52193/1914 dated 2nd. January 1915 and enclosures.

The Council desire me to say that a Memorandum on the Military position in the East Africa Protectorate is being prepared at the suggestion of the Foreign Office for communication to the Belgian Government, which the Foreign Office will be requested to pass - before communication to that Government - to the Colonial Office; and it is hoped that the views therein expressed will be found to meet the wishes of Mr. Secretary Harcourt in the latter part of paragraph 3 of the letter under reply.

In conclusion the Council trust that informal statements which may happen to be made by subordinate military officers to members of the Chartered Company may not be regarded as in any way indicative of the policy likely to be adopted by the War Office.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

Under Secretary of State,
Colonial Office.

B. D. White

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