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(a) 40⁰⁰ Patrons to go to East Africa instead of the 28⁰⁰ Patrons

(b) the two Indian bearer companies from S. Africa are to go to East Africa

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The purchase of the 25⁰⁰ *Thodwin* *Rough* *Refuge* to in the *1915* has been settled

the grant of *Foreign* *Notes* of *pay*

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From War Office to Major-General Tighe.

(No. 9650, cipher. M.O. 474.) 7th November, 1915, 3 10 p.m.
Reference your No. 359 of 5th November. You can act as you propose, but War Office should have copies of all your wires to General Smuts.

From War Office to Major-General Tighe.

(No. M.O. 476.) 8th November, 1915.
Following telegram received by wife of Lieutenant Gouldsbury, King's African Rifles: "No objection your sailing any date but preferably in "Gaika" now leaving, 10th. Cable me on leaving." Are we to understand your telegram No. 180 45 of 2nd October is cancelled?

From Major-General Tighe to War Office.

(No. 1164/6.) 9th November, 1915, 6 44 p.m.
Your telegram, 9th November, No. 22630. My telegram, 2nd October, No. 180 45, does not refer to European commissioned officers for Protectorate whose wives and families are domiciled in British East Africa and Uganda Protectorate, but only to officers Overseas Expeditionary Force Governor and Commander-in-Chief, East Africa Protectorate, and I no objection to Mrs. Gouldsbury coming out British East Africa.

From War Office to Major-General Tighe.

(No. 9721, cipher. Q.M.G. 2.) 9th November, 1915, 3 20 p.m.
Routes company 40th Punjabis will be conveyed by Messageries Maritimes steamer "Comtes" which arrives Mombasa about 24th November. This company will join 33rd Punjabis on arrival in Egypt.
Repeated to General Officer Commanding, Egypt.

From Major-General Tighe to War Office.

(No. 84/0.) 9th November, 1915.
Can you supply one or more petrol lorries complete with tools fitted out as ordnance workshops. Wheel-repairing plant very useful. Telegraph at once whether you can supply.

From War Office to General Smuts.

(No. 9700, cipher. M.O. 1(0)) 9th November, 1915, 11 40 a.m.
In view of increased forces proceeding to East Africa we should be glad if you would send there as soon as ready the two Indian Bearer Companies which you are raising.

From War Office to General Headquarters, France.

(No. 9695, cipher. M.O. 1(0)) 9th November, 1915, 11 50 a.m.
With reference to the move of the Indian Divisions. The 40th Pathans will disembark in Egypt and proceed to East Africa, as Commander-in-Chief, India, does not wish them to go to Mesopotamia. The 28th Punjabis will, therefore, be sent to Basra to await the arrival of the Jullundur Brigade.

From War Office to General Officer Commanding, Egypt.

(No. 9696, cipher M.O. 1(D).)

9th November, 1915, 11.15 a.m.

The 40th Pathans from the Lahore Division will be disembarked in Egypt, and will then be sent to East Africa. You will be notified in due course as to arrangements for conveyance.

From War Office to Major-General Tighe.

(No. 9697, cipher M.O. 1(D).)

9th November, 1915, 12.1 p.m.

With reference to my No. 9491 of the 1st November. We are sending the 28th Punjab to Mesopotamia, but you will have the 40th Pathans from France instead.

From Major-General Tighe to War Office.

(No. 250,025.)

9th November, 1915, 3.45 p.m.

I have received a telegram from General Smuts stating that you are prepared to send 4-inch with personnel. I consider that howitzers are far more useful. Please see my telegram No. 312 S. I will ask India for the howitzers, if you will send the personnel, and we can complete the training of the battery here. Please reply as soon as possible.

From Secretary of State for the Colonies to the Governor-General of the Union of South Africa.

(No. 079 3305.)

9th November, 1915, 3.55 p.m.

With reference to your personal and private telegram, 2nd November. Army Council give Government of Union of South Africa general authority to meet any requests for men and material from General Tighe as far as possible, with reservation that proposals involving alterations in financial arrangements already decided, or questions connected with raising of fresh units, should be dealt with as heretofore through Colonial Office and War Office. Ask Ministers to furnish monthly statements of services rendered by them under this arrangement for information of War Office.

From Major-General Tighe to War Office.

(No. 7970.)

11th November, 1915, 6.10 p.m.

Your No. 8965, cipher of 17th October. Our No. 44,0 asked India for 800 tents and camp equipment as first issue, authorized upkeep of stores for South Africa Contingent except pydite (C), also 4 sub-conductors. In No. 26111 India replied as follows: "Tents unlikely to be sent under 2 months, otherwise only special Indian supply stores obtainable from India. Four subordinates cannot be spared."

Will you, please, therefore, supply stores considered necessary for 6 months' upkeep of 20 Q.F. 12" guns, carriages, limbers and wagons? 10,000 rounds 13-pr. Q.F. H.E. ammunition and 10,000 shrapnel in addition to 10,000 shrapnel under supply from South Africa. Two good mechanics, one with knowledge of woodwork machinery to oversee the workshop and get the full value of the machine. Will you also impress on India the necessity of the tents being here before the end of December, and at least 4 subordinates.

From Major-General Tighe to War Office.

(No. 601/21.)

11th November, 1915, 9.20 p.m.

Continuing my telegram No. A/2/1 of 26th October. I am informed by Paymaster of the 2nd Rhodesian Regiment that under War Office instructions proficiency pay at 6d. per day is to be withheld from the (?) married. The present grievance will thus be enhanced, and I most strongly urge that this order should be held in abeyance pending the settlement of the question of pay of the Rhodesian Regiment, one of my best and most reliable units, and it is most important that the discontent, which undoubtedly exists, should be prevented.

From War Office to Major-General Tighe.

(No. 9881, cipher M.O. 487.)

13th November, 1915, 5.30 p.m.

Casualties of Union Contingents are to be reported both to War Office and to South Africa.

From Major-General Tighe to War Office.

(No. 1223.)

13th November, 1915, 1.20 p.m.

Should be glad to receive an early reply to my telegram of 2nd November, No. 356, reorganization of staff.