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Major Leggett

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July 30<sup>th</sup>

East previous Paper

Belgian Operations

Requests transmission of telegram  
as to transport of Belgian 75mm artillery  
ammunition and cartridges to Lt B.S.A.  
Corp: at Mombasa through the Gov. of the East

Low Road

We have, of course, heard before  
of the cartridges which are to be  
stored at Mombasa; the artillery  
ammunition is new.

Two drafts herewith.

Yours 2/8/15

H. J. P.  
2/8/15

To Gov. Gen. Tel.  
To Major Leggett 3 August.

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**British East Africa Corporation, Limited.**

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Secretary,  
F. T. FRANKLAND,  
TELEPHONE: LONDON W. 140, 2170.  
TELEGRAMS: "E.A.A.C.", LONDON.  
OFFICES: MOMBASA, LONDON.  
CODES:  
NORTHERN UNION AND BRIDGEMAN'S  
COMMUNICATIONS  
AND AT  
MOMBASA, NAIROBI, KISUMU, &c.  
BRITISH EAST AFRICA PROTECTORS,  
AND  
KAMPALA, UGANDA, MOMBASA &c.  
UGANDA PROTECTORS.

96, GRESHAM HOUSE,

LONDON, July 30th, 1915.

In your reply please refer  
to No.

Dear Read,

Herewith I hand you copies (translations) of Belgian Colonial Office (London) Notes Nos. 1245 and 1260, of 28th, and 29th, inst. respectively re Artillery Ammunition and small arms ammunition. *Also copy of note to Lord Percy re W.C.*

I think these are matters on which you will agree that the cables to our Mombasa Manager, Mr. Cox, should be passed through you. My I suggest wording to the following effect -

- "Cox, Corporation, Mombasa.
- "Belgian Government Artillery ammunition weight about 16 tons including charged shells and gun powder
- "Messageries steamer Caucase to be landed at Mombasa and forwarded with utmost urgency and by shortest route to Commandant Moulart Rutshuru (stop) Corporation responsible for landing and transport to Rutshuru (stop)
- "Belgian Captain Cayenne will accompany probably from Mombasa suggest double relay porters to ensure speed
- "weight of packages average about 2 cwt. (stop) with reference to 600 cases Rifle cartridges Cluny Castle
- "Belgian Government orders warehouse at Mombasa Col.
- "Henry has been instructed to apply direct to Corporation
- "Mombasa to forward these as required to destinations which he will fix".

Perhaps you would kindly let me know that you receive this letter?

Yours sincerely,



H. J. Read Esq., C.B., C.M.G.,  
Colonial Office,  
Whitehall, S.W.

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MINISTRE DES COLONIES ET DU COMMERCE.

Londres, le 23 Juillet, 1916.

India House,  
Kingsway, W.C.

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C Direction.

No. 2341.

Sir,

I have the honour to inform you in accordance with note received today from the Minister at Le Havre, that there were shipped on the SSad inst., at Marseilles, consigned to Kivu via Mombasa per Messageries Maritimes steamer "CAFCARE" the following munitions:-

125 filled shells	11750	kilogrammes.
20 war packets	1200	"
15 cases powder	450	"
20 "filled shell 2000		"
1 case of Material	224	"

The Messageries Maritimes have been advised that these packages are to be landed at Mombasa by the staff of the B.E.A. Coy., and to be forwarded by the latter to ~~XXXXXXXX~~.

The Minister's note adds:-

"I desire that Major Leggett should give instructions to his officials in order that the transport be accelerated in every way possible and by the shortest possible route. This supply is urgent and any delay to it will endanger the mobility of the Moulart Battery through shortage of munitions. Capt. Cayenne has been instructed to watch the rapid forwarding of this consignment."

We have the honour to be Sirs,

Your obedient Servants,

(Sgd) Denyn.

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London 10 22 Juillet, 1948.

Dear Sirs,

Highway, U.S.

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No. 1000.

Dear Sirs,

In accordance with previous correspondence, I have the  
pleasure to inform you that in accordance with note received from  
the [unclear] [unclear] the cartridges intended for the second-  
[unclear] [unclear] [unclear] [unclear] as the originally in-  
[unclear]

Special Order has been placed as to this order, and  
we will continue forward to the U.S.A.S. at London in regard to  
the [unclear] as the right order to such destination as he  
may see.

Yours faithfully,

[Signature]

in case of contact.

(Enc) Copy.



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Sent 3.0 pm

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August ~~20~~ <sup>23</sup> Following

for Cox Corporation,

Sumatra (6 copies)

Order on Post artillery

ammunition weight about

16 tons including

charged shells and

gun powder magazines

steamer "Caucas" to be

landed at Sumatra

and forwarded with

utmost urgency and by

shortest route to

Commandant Montross

Port of Call

Jan 2/8/15

for Road 2



2 South

Corporation responsible  
for landing transport  
to Rumburgh @ Belgian  
Captain [unclear]  
accompanied [unclear]  
from [unclear] [unclear]  
in the [unclear] [unclear]  
to ensure [unclear] [unclear]  
of [unclear] [unclear]  
[unclear] [unclear] [unclear]  
reference to [unclear] case  
Rifle cartridges [unclear]  
Castle Belgian Fort  
orders warehouse at  
Mombasa Col Henry

has been instructed  
to apply Direct to  
Corporation Mombasa  
to forward [unclear] as  
required to destination  
which is [unclear] for  
(end)

Commander

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3<sup>rd</sup> August 1915

Quarto for Mr Read's  
Signature

Dear Messrs,

DRAFT.

We have telegraphed

Major Ed. G. Cassin D.S.O.

to the Gov. of the

EAD. The message

for Mr Cox contained

in your letter of

July 20<sup>th</sup>

Yours sincerely

H.A.

Jan 2/8/15

Mr Read

per annum

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