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Last previous Paper.

SIGNED INVOICES FOR CUSTOMS

Reports as to necessity for with special  
reference to Messrs Rouse and Clarke's complaint.  
Asks if export firms invoices are to be accepted as  
they stand without any supplementary invoices.  
Chief of Customs is unable to guarantee loss of  
revenue will not result.

Copy: A.B., B.G.T. case 29 June to Gen  
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Mr. Haines

I think we can only send copy of  
this to Mr. Worthington & ask for his  
views? \*

[Replied re]

\* Says that there seems to be a good deal  
of force in the consideration of the above.

Yours  
Haines

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GOVERNMENT HOUSE,  
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BRITISH EAST AFRICA.

April 25th, 1910.

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Sir,

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I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your despatch No. 131 of the 25th of February relative to the requirements of the Chief of Customs in regard to the signing of invoices received at Mombasa.

I have referred the matter to Mr. Major who informs me that for some time past it has been considered it necessary in the interests of revenue to call for original invoices as provided for by law, as supplementary to General Exporters' invoices from Europe, showing that those exporters are actually exporters of goods supplied to them.

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE  
ANDREW BONAR LAW, P.O., M.P.,  
SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES,  
DOWNING STREET,  
LONDON, S. W.

and others in this Protectorate.

3. The Deputy Chief of Customs, who is entrusted with the examination of invoices, recently drew Mr. Major's attention to the fact that Messrs. Boustead and Clarke were furnishing as supplementary invoices "flimsies" which bore no heading of any firm, were not even signed by a supplier, and could in no sense be termed an invoice. Messrs. Boustead and Clarke were therefore informed accordingly.

4. It is not correct that signed invoices are demanded and the complaint of Messrs. Boustead and Clarke must be proportionately discounted. Where however a firm in England sends a direct consignment to the local branch or agents and no supplementary invoices are forthcoming, the certificate of a banker or notary public is required to the effect that the invoices produced to him show that the values given in the shippers' invoice are correct. An intimation to this effect appeared in General Notice No. 2003 of the Official Gazette of the 20th of October 1915.

5. The Chief of Customs states that very strong objections have been raised by certain firms to the production of supplementary invoices.

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invoices, but this attitude is by no means universal and his requirements are now being regularly complied with.

6. I should be glad to know whether, in the light of the above remarks, it is desired that export firms' invoices are to be accepted as they stand, without any supplementary invoices. The Chief of Customs is unable to guarantee that loss of revenue will not result.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your humble, obedient servant,

H. Conway Brijed.

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John R. Camp

The U.S.A.S. for the Colonies

presents his compliments to the  
Director of the Commercial  
Intelligence Branch of the Board  
of Trade, and with further reference  
to the note ~~CIA~~ 3785 of the  
11th of Feb., is directed to enclose  
a copy of a despatch which has now been

received from the Genl of the I.A.P. with  
regard to the requirements of the  
Protective Customs Dept that  
invoices of imported goods should be

DRAFT.

Director

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Mr. Jewell 27/6/16

Mr. Botterby 27.6.16

Mr.

Mr.

Mr. Read.

Sir H. Just.

Sir G. Fiddes.

Mr. Steel-Maitland.

Mr. Bonar Law.

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I am not sure whether  
forms of communication  
concerning this in the minutes