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Mr. Selfield Coy

Wireless St. Constan
in a paper box, 1/2 pint stand.

1916

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Recommends adoption of one of scheme as originally
proposed - viz. Stations at Kismayu Serece, Mogdi
Wayheer and Sankwa. States as to plant and
staff required at estimated cost - original (subject
to revision) £10750. - maintenance £1250 p.a.
Cost to be met as indicated.

East African Paper
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two Bahrain Bay
two Road

It is disappointing that we should be
faced now with the prospect of having
to take up the Jubaland & N. F. S.
W/S scheme which was put forward
in 1914, but ^{was} left in abeyance on the
outbreak of war - At the present time
it was clear at the end of 1914
that apparatus is difficult to obtain
and transport is expensive, and
that the ^{high} ^{cost} of ^{the} ^{operations} are
responsible to ^{the} ^{extent} ^{of} ^{the} ^{cost} ^{of} ^{the} ^{operations}
at this time of all this, I think we
can only put in ^{the} ^{best} ^{possible} ^{case}

Copy of case to pencil
Student copy, copy above sent - 30/5/16
C. H. Plant

station at Karaga, 7 1/2 x
a box car, and that a year
ago a new ~~station~~ station at
Duroo was begun & completed
some time later.

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So proceed? The approximate distances
which will be found in the route to 44237/24.

We can hardly expect to get the plant
shipped for 45 tons or so, and it will be
a long time before it is in position at
these outlying places. W.C.S. Dec. 6. 16

at home.

H. J. R.

12/6/16

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GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
NAIROBI,
BRITISH EAST AFRICA.

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

28th 1916.

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Sir,

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I have the honour to refer to your predecessor's Confidential despatch dated the 25th of November 1914 on the subject of wireless telegraph communications in the Northern Frontier District and Jubaland.

2. The question was recently discussed by me with Major-General Hoskins and we were both of opinion that, if possible, steps should be taken at once to proceed with the scheme as originally proposed, unless subsequent developments in the science have so far advanced as to render desirable a revision of the estimates furnished by the Consulting Engineers in their letter of the 5th of November

SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES,
DOWNING STREET,
LONDON, S.W.

November 1914.

3. I see no reason to depart from the original proposals to place stations at Kismayu, Serenli, Moyali, Wajheir, and Sankuri, the first of these to have a 3 k.w. plant ... the others a 1-1/2 k.w. plant. The cost of these smaller stations is estimated by Messrs. Procter, Serdew, and Snell at £1,200 or £1,050 each, while the larger station at Kismayu would cost £2,500, giving a total expenditure, excluding freight and transport, of £10,750.

4. The cost of maintenance of each station appears to be as follows:-

1 European Engineer-Operator	£300 - £350	£300
1 Senior Indian Operator	£125	£125
2 Junior Indian Operators	@ £100 - £150	£200
Fuel and Stores		£150
Maintenance		£100
		£875

or say £900 per annum for each of the smaller stations

Kismayu, or

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be

appoint a

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3
Wireless Telegraph Engineer to exercise
general supervision over these stations in
which case the above total annual expenditure
will be increased by £350 - £400, while on
the other hand it may eventually be possible
to reduce the number of European Engineers
by increasing the frequency of visits of
inspection. I do not however anticipate that
these changes would materially affect the
annual expenditure and I do not think that
they need be considered in framing an estimate.

6. I trust that the existing condition
of affairs in Europe will not prevent this
question from being dealt with. Our
communications in the north are merely
haphazard and fortuitous, and the establishment
of these stations will not only prove of
immense advantage to the Civil Administration
but will also materially assist the effective
carrying out of military operations. No
provision of course appears in this year's
estimates, but I propose to meet the cost in
the same manner as other expenditure now
being incurred by reason of the unrest among
the Somali tribes and, if necessary, to adjust
the charges at a later date.

7. I should perhaps mention that the
question

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It will be changed in
the first place to the War
Expenditure of the War
then with other savings
on the general expenditure
simple balance, if necessary
from advances from the Vote of
Credit to the same amount.

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question of fuel for the engines does not appear to have been considered. The supply at certain of the proposed stations is scarce, and an engine to burn oil fuel will probably be required at Kisumu and possibly also elsewhere.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your humble, obedient servant,

H. Conway Bayet.

GOVERNOR.

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16 June 1916

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Crown Agents

Amos 34261

Gentlemen,

with ref to your letter

of the 19th of Nov 1914 (201/193)

regarding the proposed wireless

telegraph station in Jubaland as

the Northern Frontier District of the

EAP, I am to transmit to you

the acc. copy of a ^{copy} report from the

Gov, suggesting that, if possible,

steps should be taken at once

to proceed with the scheme as

originally proposed, unless a

revision of the estimates furnished

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Bottomley 15.6.16

No 48. 28 July 1916

10 Nov 1915

(encl. in Cr. 55526)

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Copy for Longman & Co

by the Consulting Engineer
who is to find out the
2. I am to request you to
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should be made to the following
points :-

(a) any technical
improvement in the original scheme
which the interval that has
elapsed will make desirable.

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It is possible that certain
schemes of priority of
execution would be
obtained in the present
circumstances for carrying
out the work.

delay which ~~will~~ would be
incurred only in the existing
situation. It is, however,
(c) in the event of the
obtaining suitable European
engineers to supervise the proposed
station, and also a temporary
superintending factor.

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copy of a report by the Superintendent
Telegraphs, Somaliland, with regard
to the Protectorate Wireless Station
at Aden. The question of the
situation of the station is
under consideration.

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