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Admiralty

British prisoners in German E. Africa

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Sends letter from Comm. in Chief Cape reporting health satisfactory, & giving list of deaths to date 20 June. - Also that games may be sent to prisoners, but not foodstuffs, tobacco or cigarettes. Enquires if any objection to publishing this info. in the newspapers as suggested.

15 July
to Mr. C. O. - An
& inform from a staff
copy reply to 20/17 July 16
to Bobbett - 20 Oct 16
5000.699/4

re: Botswana

1. None of the names of those who have died are for us, but for safety's sake, I wd send a spec to you, & say we presume they are informing S.A. Record Office about Private Acton.
2. Inform the persons to whom we wrote on Gov. 2108 that Mr. Gov. G. C. on June 20th informed us we anticipated that the health of the British prys. continued to be satisfactory.
3. Tell Admy that we have in our list of enquiries as above a very faint reference, see as objection to the publication in the

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Press of ...

that the ...
 were with the authorities of S.E.A.
 56th date June 28th that (a) the reaction of
 the British p. gov. continued to be
 satisfactory. (b) Games may be sent
 to p. gov. but that food stuffs, tobacco
 & cigarettes will not be permitted in
 future. Add that the dealers
 reported are among for who
 will doubtless consider the question
 of publication.

(4) No Sw. 2 S.E.A. wh? soon receive
 the desps. forwarded in 21241, &
 this ought to lead to the release
 of a certain number of the
 British prisoners.

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Urgent :-

N.L.L.

The Secretary of the Admiralty presents his compliments to the Under Secretary of State for the Colonies and begs to forward herewith for the information of the Secretary of State for the Colonies a copy of a telegram which has been received from the Commander-in-Chief, Cape of Good Hope Station, relative to the British Prisoners of War in German East Africa, and to enquire whether Mr. Bonar Law has any objection to the publication of the matter contained in this telegram, as suggested by the Commander-in-Chief.

A similar letter is being addressed to the War Office.

Admiralty, S.W.,
12th July 1916.

COPY OF TELEGRAM,

No. 506

Date 9.7.16

Sent 5.30 pm.

Recd 5.56 pm.

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From Commander-in-Chief, Cape,
Sanzibar
To Admiralty.

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506. Have received letter from Governor German East Africa dated 20th June in which he stated that health of prisoners of war continued to be satisfactory. Following have died Albert Victor Emmanuel De Lion ACTON Private 2nd South African mounted Infantry Regiment number 243 died of wounds 6th June. Fred Cann Private Regiment unknown died of wounds 25th May. Curtis trooper Regiment unknown died of wounds 13th March. Frank O'Neill Private 2nd Batt. Loyal N.Lancs. Regt. number 9632 died 17th April. J. Williams Corporal 2nd Batt. Loyal N.Lancs. Regt. number 7940 died of tuberculosis 31st May. G.O. Commanding has been informed. Governor now informed me games may be sent to prisoners of war but that food stuffs tobacco cigarettes will not be permitted in future. Request this may be published in newspapers.

No. X. 20403.

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COMMUNICATED BY THE ADMIRALTY, 13th July, 1916.

Telegram from the Commander in Chief, Cape, Zanzibar, dated 9th July, 1916.

Have received letter from Governor German East Africa, dated 20th June, in which he stated that health of prisoners of war continued to be satisfactory.

Following have died.

- 243 Pte. Albert Victor Emmanuel de Lion Aston, 2nd South African Infantry, Died of Wounds 6th June, 1916.
- Pte. Fred Cann, Regiment unknown, Died of Wounds 25th May, 1916.
- Trooper Curtis, Regiment unknown, Died of Wounds, 13th March, 1916.
- 9632 Pte. Frank O'Neill. 2nd L.N.Lancs. Regt. Died 17th April, 1916.
- 7940 Cpl. J. Williams. 2nd L.N.Lancs. Regt. Died of tuberculosis 31st May, 1916.

General Officer Commanding has been informed, Governor now informs me games may be sent to prisoners of war but that food stuffs, tobacco, cigarettes will not be permitted in future.

NOTE.

This information should be communicated to the next-of-kin and the Regimental Care Committee.

War Office.

13th July, 1916.

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July 18th 1916

Mr. Under Secretary of State

Sir,

Accept my
thanks for your kind
information regarding
the health of the prisoners
in East-Africa. Please

however, do not trouble
 to further inform me
 as Jollson is almost a
 complete stranger to me
 & I only wrote, in the
 first place, on behalf
 the parents, who were
 very troubled at having
 no clue to his safety.

about a year. They now
 give your reports, so
 need not hear further.
 Yours Truly
 W. Cove.

Henry
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15 July 1916

The S.I.S. for the Colonies presents
his compliments to the Secretary of the

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Secretary
Admiralty

Admiralty, in reply to his note
N.L.1 of the 12th of July, enclosing a
copy of a tel from the Commanding
Chief, Cape of Good Hope Station,
relative to the British Prisoners of War
in German East Africa, as directed to
state that the persons who have

- MINUTE.
- Mr. Jewell 14/7/16
 - Mr. Bottonley 14/7/16
 - Mr.
 - Mr.
 - Mr. Read.
 - Sir H. Just.
 - Sir G. Fiddes.
 - Mr. Steel-Maitland.
 - Mr. Bonar Law.

addressed enquires to the Colonial
Office have been informed that the
Gen. of S.E.A. reports on the 20th
of June that the health of the prisoners
continued to be satisfactory.

The S.I.S. sees no objection

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of 32918, sent
to 20. I.O. LF
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to the publication in the Press
of a statement to the effect that
the naval authorities & was informed
by the authorities of G.E.A. by letter
dated the 20th of June that (a) the health
of the British prisoners of war continued
to be satisfactory, and (b) games may be
sent to prisoners of war but that
food stuffs tobacco & cigarette, will
not be permitted in future

3. The casualties reported in the
Commander-in-Chief's telegram are a
matter for the ^{Army Council, G.P.O.} War Dept. will
doubtless answer the question of publication

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- Mr. Robinson
- Mr. Baldwin
- Mr. M. Jones
- Mr. Gillman
- Mr. B. Cory
- Mr. Jelson
- Mr. P. Collins
- Mr. F. Cowell
- Mr. Harvey
- Mr. Burgess
- Mr. Bateman
- Mr. Wright

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- MINUTE.
- Mr. Jewell 22/7/16
- Mr. Bottomley 14.7.16
- Mr.
- Mr.
- Mr. Reed
- Sir H. Just.
- Sir G. Fiddes.
- Mr. Steel-Maitland.
- Mr. Bonar Law.

Sir
Monsieur
with ref to the letter from the
Dept of the (to the 14th of July)
14th of April, 1916
I am to state that he has been
informed that the Governor of German
East Africa reported to the naval
authorities on the 20th of June
that the health of the British
prisoners of war continued to be
satisfactory

W. G. GRINDLE