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War

# Common Charges Account

1919

30 Sept

Last previous Paper.

Considers amt. due to initial equipment of CAMR, EAR & EA Pioneers should be charged to Prot. account also salaries of Committee of supplies.

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Mr. Stephenson

1. Initial Equipment.

Agree with W.O. as to CAMR, EAR but not as to the Pioneers. We should maintain that they are a Common Organization & refer to para. 2 of our letter on Gov/34557/17?

2. Committee of Supplies.

The W.O. is effectively object to paying any part of the cost of an organization which was only partially "Common". I think we must leave the Gov. to make, at a case - para. 4 of 52918 is not very satisfactory & it leaves me in doubt whether the Committee's military functions ceased before it ceased financial. W.O. is not of the fact that they began together is irrelevant. W.O. 6/10/19 JTO.

copy for Compt. by Dave  
Ans. dated Nov 19 1919

at subsequent Paper.

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M. Aslam

1. Lagos

I have now looked up the p.p. a  
the point and I regard that the form should  
there be drawn to the statement of the D.M.A. a  
para 54 of his report and audit the military  
Expenditure accounts for the period ended 31.3.75

C 40996/19

*[Signature]*

40996/16 amended. - the D.M.A. give  
a definite date - Feb. 1975 - after which

the C.I. would collect the military account.  
He said that he had found the D.M.A. has

in the S.V.T. (i.e. C.I.A.) accounts  
but that doesn't cover the necessary  
which are equally ignored in 60/10862/17.

See also.

6 Feb 74/1/1/19

*[Signature]*

Any further communication on this  
subject should be addressed to—

The Secretary,  
War Office,  
London, S.W.

of the following number quoted.

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2 War Office,  
London, S.W.

13/7794 (F.L.)

30 September, 1918.

Sir,

I am commanded by the Army Council to acknowledge the receipt of your letter 52916 of 20th September, enclosing a copy of a despatch from the Governor of the East Africa Protectorate from which it is noted that the Chief Quartermaster, East Africa Pay Corps has estimated the cost of the initial equipment of certain local units as follows:—

East Africa Mounted Rifles.	£4,068.	15.	0.
East Africa Rifles	695.	0.	0.
East Africa Pioneers	402.	0.	0.

It is understood that the Common Charges Account has borne the cost of initial equipment of these units, but as this appears to be a proper charge against the Protectorate Government having regard to paragraph 6 of the Memorandum on the Common Charges Account, I am to request that subject to the Director of Military Audit being satisfied as to the reasonableness of the Chief Quartermaster's estimate, you will be so good as to instruct the Protectorate to refund the amount involved to the Common Charges Account. I am also to request that, if this account has borne the cost of initial equipment of any other units chargeable to the Protectorate, a similar adjustment may be effected.

With reference to paragraphs 3 and 4 of the Governor's despatch regarding the salaries of the Committee of Supplies, I am to invite attention to that portion of War Office Letter 0165/8709 (F.L.) of 27th February, 1917, dealing with the Committee of Supplies, and to say that it is considered that if it is not possible to adjust the salaries of the Committee as proposed in paragraph 7 of War Office letter of 15th June, 1918, numbered as above, the Common Charges Account should be relieved of the whole cost of the salaries of the Committee and the Protectorate debited therewith.

I am to request that a report may be furnished in due course showing what action has been taken in the above matters.

Your obedient Servant,

J. A. Lorcman

Secretary of State,  
Colonial Office.

W.O. 56557 E.A.P.

Downing Street,

19 November, 1919.

**DRAFT**

Secretary,

WAR OFFICE.

**MINUTE.**

Mr. Bottomley, 12/11/19

Mr.

Mr.

Mr. Grindle.

Mr. H. Lambert.

Mr. H. Read.

Mr. G. Fiddes.

Mr. Amery.

Mr. Milner.

Sir,

I am etc. to ack. the recd. of your letter of the 30th of Sept. No. 10185/7734 (E.A.P.) and to transmit to you, to be laid before the A.C., the accompanying copy of a despatch which is being sent to the C.E.G. of the E.A.P. on the question of charging to the Common Charges Account of military expenditure the salaries of the Canteen of Supplies. Lord Milner observes (10663/17) that the W.O. letter of the 27th of Feb. 1917 to which you refer, does not deal directly with the question of the salaries.

2. With regard to the first part of your letter, Lord Milner agrees that the cost of the initial equipment of the E.A. Mounted Rifles and the E.A. Rifles would properly be charged to the Common Charges Account. With regard, however, to the initial equipment of the E.A. Pioneers he trusts that the A.C. will give the matter further conside. The

status

W.O. 56557/F.A.D.

*Ans'd  
12/5/19*

Downing Street,

19 November, 1919.

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EAST AFRICA PROTECTORATE

CONFIDENTIAL.

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MINUTE.

- Mr. Bottomley, *14.11.19* (52918)
- Mr.
- Mr.
- Mr. Grindle
- Sir H. Lambert
- Sir H. Read
- Sir G. Fiddes
- Col. Amery
- Lord Milner

W.O. 30th Sept. (52918)

W.O. 30th Sept.

(40996)

*Copies W.O. can't be made 19*

Sir,

I have etc. to acknowledge the receipt of Major-General Sir E. Northey's Conf. despatch of the 22nd of July last, and to transmit to you the accompanying copy of corres. with the W.O. on various points connected with the Common Charges Account of military expenditure in East Africa.

2. With regard to the 4th para. of Sir E. Northey's despatch I would invite your attention to para. 54 of the Report of the Director of Military Audit on the accounts up to the 31st of March, 1915, copy of which was enclosed in Mr. Long's Conf. despatch of the 13th of April, 1917. In that para. Lt. Col. Barnes stated that subsequent to Feb. 1915 the Central Committee of Supplies purchased only on behalf of, and as required by, the Military, and that he had been able to trace the purchases into the Supply and Transport depot store accounts.

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status of the E.A. and Uganda Pioneer Companies as "Common Organisations" was dealt with in the 2nd para. of the letter from this Dept. of the 16th of July 1917, and its enclosures. I am, etc.

(34559)

General H. J. BEAN



accounts, In these circumstances,  
I <sup>shall</sup> ~~should~~ be prepared to make further  
recommendations to the Army Council  
on the subject with a view to the  
salaries of the Central Committee  
being charged to the Common Charges  
Account from Feb. 1915, when I have  
received from you confirmation of Col.  
Barnes' statement, and a definite date  
in Feb. 1916 after which the continuance <sup>work</sup>  
of the Committee as regards civil supplies  
terminated. *and the end.*

I have etc.,

(SIGNED) ~~W. L. NER~~