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14 March

Last previous Paper.

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Financial Situation. East Afr. Prot.

Shayassine asked for a para 1 of C.O. Tel. of 8 March. Asks meaning of "local forces". Suggests that existing system of payment of all charges in first instance by Post. Treasury must be continued.

W. J. Anderson

- (a) We must bear part of the charges.
- (b) The G.O.C. has a disbursing staff and deals with the pay of the troops for India (see his tel. in letter from Mr. Crookshank attached - just received).
- (c) This must not affect the payments the Prot. has hitherto made - i.e. "add the funds except pay of troops for India" (same telegram). It would be convenient arrangement if Treasury will agree. It is much the same as on (b) in letter to Meek or Goff 3256 S, except that the Prot. will continue to make the payments in the first instance.

Our (b) proposal on 3256 S was mentioned to W.O. in our letter of 26 Jan. on 3368 (Bullock Stores). That is the last

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W.D. have heard (the Treasury have not been officially informed) & before his Crookland draft to about the sufficiency of the £10,000,000 of his intermediates because to the Govt. He is anxious to have copies of Consol etc. Is not I would raise the point but that we hadn't agreed at an arrangement with the Treasury who had objected to our proposal (6) & asked each side to try its own share from the start. I explained that we had this new proposal, which would have to go to the Treasury & that as Genl Gaskins wanted a reply by March 31st the letter would go without doing any harm but that it might be used to make it clear that the Govt. of India could supply cash for his [I took] payments on the forces from India [I had not then seen Genl Gaskins' letter - which was on its way - & I was puzzled, as was the W.O. now, by the statement (6) in the Govt's telegram]. The reply to Genl W. has no doubt gone by this time with this modification.

? Copy of 12420^g to Treasury, asking for the £30,000 from O.O., & say that it seems inevitable that the Provt^t Govt should continue to pay sums chargeable to O.O. funds & that in the view we hope they will agree to the proposal of the Govt & the G.O. that all the Provt^t Govt payments (over & above the Extracts) should be made good by O.O. subject to final adjustment later on. Say that we understand that the Provt^t Govt will be asked

provided all the funds except the
pay of the troops for Korea. 603

With regard to (a), say that the British
must pay some part of ~~the~~ ^{the} non-combatant
charges & that we propose to ask the Govt.
to report by despatch what the effect
would be of dividing them according to
the number of combatants but that
we cannot pledge ourselves to accept
such a division, as the troops for Korea,
being intended for offensive purposes
in a greater degree than the local forces,
^{larger share} ought to bear a ~~higher~~ proportion of
such charges as transport than the
were numerical proportion.

As regards the W.O., General Gubbins
refers to our correspondence with the Govt.
and ^{unavoidable} ~~the expected~~ the transpolar correspondence
between us, W.O., & Treasury, which to all events
have tried to keep out of. The complication is
much complicated by our dealing with
the Treasury about the Bank loans &c.,
but I think we could send W.O. copy of
our letter to Tues. m 3256, with enclosures,
of 6246 + ~~copy of 6246~~, 8329 + affs of 61 of
20 Sept. 1914, 10258, 10583 and both
& copy of 12420 + affs, for info. L.F.
with reference to letter of 14 Feb. m 6246 of 6/10.
W.C.B. 16/3/15

Packed as proposed?

H. J. R.

18/3/15

W. Jones

18.3.15

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PARAPHRASE

TELEGRAM. The Governor of the East Africa Protectorate
to the Secretary of State for the Colonies.



Received Colonial Office 8.55 p.m. 14th March 1915.)

Copy to War Office 19 March 1915. C.C. - L.F.S.

Replies to your cypher telegram of March 8th, I
give the assurance required in paragraph 1. I am
experiencing the greatest difficulty in the determination
of the allocation of common charges. What do you exactly
include in the expression in your telegram of February
19 "local forces"? In addition to the normal local
police and actual fighting forces raised locally, (we
have been obliged to find locally?) personnel of numerous
organizations such as ordnance, supply, transport, etc.,
such personnel is now absorbed in similar organizations
from India which serve all fighting units not only in
East Africa Protectorate but also Zanzibar, Uganda and
Kenya. It has also been necessary to increase the staff
of such departments as the veterinary and medical
departments. The General Officer Commanding has in any
case no facilities or organization for making payments
separately, and the existing system, whereby all payments
are made in the first instance through the Protectorate
treasury, must in my opinion be continued. The General
Officer Commanding and I recommend that the War Office
arrange to meet all bills drawn on account of war
expenses, in which all expenditure in connexion with the
war is included other than what the Protectorate
estimates provide for. Adjustment to be made later by
bill to the Protectorate when definite division can
be effected.

BELFIELD.

* No. + No. =



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18th March, 1915.

Dear Mr Bottomley,

I send you herewith a copy of a telegram from General Wapshare.

As regards the latter part, we understand that the Protectorate will continue to furnish funds for its own forces. Other funds will be provided by the Government of India, and we have so informed General Wapshare.

(copy enclosed)

Yours sincerely,

(Signature)

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Copy of telegram from General Wapshare to War Office dated
13th March, 1915.

200/4 March 12th. Your telegram 8th March from Colonial Office to Governor of East African Protectorate. Have consulted Governor and Commander in Chief and further report will be sent very shortly. Understand that after (the) March 31st the Protectorate which has been hitherto providing (for) all the funds except pay of troops from India will do so no longer request as soon as arrangements can be made to place me in funds to meet war expenses from 1st April next.

General Wapshare.

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General Wapshare.

Copy of telegram to

General Wapsharc,

Nairobi.

Your telegram 13 March, 200 over 4, Government of India
will provide cash, except for local forces.

Promiss.

for local payments
See annotation
Govt/19420 S.



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19 March 1915

Sir,

With ref. to the letter

from this Dept. of the

(10583) 8th of March, I have directed

by Mr. Secy. Harcourt to transmit to you, to be laid before the H.C.M. of the Treasury, the accompanying copy of a letter which has been received from the Govt. of the E.A.P.O. on the subject of the arrangements

to be made for meeting local payments in connexion with the military operation in

1. Africa.

2. A view of the Govt's assurance in the first part

DRAFT.

Secretary of the
Treasury

MINUTE.

Mr. Bottomley, 18/3/15.

Mr. Head 19

Mr.

Mr.

Sir G. Fiddes.

Sir H. Just.

Sir J. Anderson.

Lord Falington.

Mr. Harcourt.

10583

14 March (1915)

For tel: 14 March

By 1st Attn & Tel: 10583 & 2nd:

W.W. 1st tel: 8319 & tel. 10583, also

Tel: 10583, 10583, 10583, 10583,

10583 & 2nd to W.W. Coffey

for info. referring to

the 1st tel or 2nd tel



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2. In view of the Govt's assurance in the first para

14 March (12420)

1. Letter to Mr. Harcourt dated 12/3/15.
W. & Tel. 18349 & Tel. 123/1240
Tues., 10583, 10583, 10583,
420 & 446 to W.O. Office
for info. referring to
Sir Tel. on 8246.

part of the Colⁿ. Government
hopes that T.L. will now

cause a suspension the sum

of £630,000 to be paid from
W.O. funds & the C.A. for
the Colⁿ.

3. It seems to Mr. Hesketh

to be inevitable that the
Prote^t Govt should continue
to pay ~~so~~ in the first
instance and ultimately
chargeable to its funds
and in the next he hopes
that the final approval of
the purviews of the Govt.
and the G.O. should

be forthcoming

for payment due by the
Prote^t (or rather the
services rendered by its small
Estates) should be made

good from War Office

funds subject to adjustment

& a balance to be paid

as Compt^r understood it

would appear that the

Prot^t Govt may have made
all payments except those
in connexion with the pay of
the troops from India.

4. With regard to the question

raised by the Govt as to the

interpretation of the term

"local forces"; it is clear that
some part of the cost of the
organization, referred to
must be borne by the Prot^t,
and Mr. Hesketh proposes
to urge the Govt to promptly
decide both what the effect
would be of dividing these
charges in the ratio of the
number of contractors
borne on Prot^t and on other
funds, but to demand
pledge him to accept
a finding on these lines as
a compromise on the
basis of payment by
the Govt from India, being

intended for offensive purposes
in a greater degree than the
local forces, ought to bear
a larger share of such
charges as transport them
to more numerical proportion.

H.R.