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Asks that restrictions may be imposed on the local publication of military information which may be of value to the enemy

by Bokamba
by Brad
by G. Fiddes

See in particular back page of Gazette of Nov. 18th (a very bad case); pp. 3 and 15 of B.S.A. Order of Nov. 14th and p. 11 of Letter of Nov. 26th (paragraphs marked in red pencil)

Telegraph to Sir H. Bickford in the sense proposed by the

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19th December 1914.

The Director of Military Operations presents his compliments to the Under Secretary of State for the Colonies and begs to draw his attention to the fact that in the Official Gazette of the East African Protectorate, publication of November 18th 1914 certain movements of H.M.'s ships are reported as entering and leaving Kilindini Harbour.

The attention of the Director of Military Operations has further been drawn by a private East African person to the fact that in the East African Leader Newspaper of November 14 and 21st respectively, official communiqués were issued giving details of the attack which took place on Longido, mentioning the composition of the force engaged.

The Director of Military Operations is unable to verify the truth of this statement

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Given in Nairobi

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by B. Brown 22/12/41

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PARAPHRASE.

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

(Sent 11.30 a.m. 23rd December 1914.)

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MARSCHEID.