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1. G.A.C. Kenya. Tel. 187. .... 15th Sept. 33.

If Harragin sails 5th Oct. Kenya will have to bear cost of two Attorneys Genl. for 3 months. If Bruce is returning considers he shd. return at once and act till Jan. or Feb. when Mc.Gregor will come off Kenya funds and Harragin can be apptd. If this course not possible Harragin shd. sail earliest possible. Special Order. wd. have to be passed to regularise pension position.

The objections against the first alternative are  
a) Mr. Bruce's leave doesn't end till Dec. 20 or will be seen from Mr. Flood's minute of 2/18 as Mr. McGregor's report that in his opinion, after the long spell Mr. Bruce has just done, it would be difficult to send him back to Kenya early.

Probably Kenya might make other arrangements over with Mr. Bruce - but this will be difficult.

Impossible

b) Mr. Harragin's Norfolk leave would have returned to Norfolk (had he not accepted a transfer) Oct. 15. If the Gov's alternative were accepted, presumably he'd have to return to Norfolk for 2 or 3 months before proceeding to Kenya. Would Mr. President have just come for nothing or having to bear the cost of his passage there for so short a period of service?

c) In his offer of app't to Kenya Mr. Harragin was told in so many words that he will be transferred on Oct 5<sup>th</sup>.

It was fully realised at the time the telegram No-60. on 25/8 was sent that there would be an overlap.

I think ∴ the Gov's 2nd alternative must be adopted.

If so? the Gov of K. shd be informed by tel. & the offer already put forward on Mr. Harragin's file may issue with the despatch to Kenya wh. will need some modification.

T. M. : 18/9

Mr. Bruce has put in 33 months in Kenya, and is at present on leave until September. He declined the appointment offered to him in the Gambia and the Acting Governor now suggests that he should be called upon to return forthwith and act until Mr. McGregor comes off Kenya funds, when Mr. Harragin can come up from Nyasaland and take over the job of Attorney-General. I spoke to Sir Joseph Byrne about it and he is inclined to agree with me that the best thing to do would be to let Mr. Harragin go to Kenya as suggested and face the trouble of having double pay for the period of the overlap. He has not any particular confidence in Mr. Bruce's ability to act as Attorney-General for the period involved. I think then that the only solution is to accept the situation that Mr. Harragin sail on the 5th of October as arranged, which would get him out in time to succeed Mr. McGregor on or soon after the 1st of November. It will not be possible or fair to get him out any earlier. If you agree we should inform Kenya accordingly by telegram and let the arrangements proceed.

J. E. G. Reid  
21.9.33

Janu.  
21/9/33

H. Orman

J. Alder  
21.9.33

W.C.S.

22.9.33

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2 To Gov. Kenya Tel N° 201 (1st) - 22.9.33.

3. <sup>Byrne</sup> ~~Gov. Kenya~~ Tel. 239 Conf. 11 Dec 33  
Recom. Mr. Branigan should be returned in Kenya & promoted to existing lower General Vacancy given details as to salary.  
(Original on 5233/33 T.T. copy attached.)

4 To Gov. Kenya Tel. 246 Conf. (3 around) 18 Dec 33

S.O.A.G. KENYA TEL. 246 CONF. 22.12.33  
(Requests early appointment of successor to Branigan who is being transferred to T.T.)

It is probable that Kenya is in communication with Tanganyika regarding the date of Mr. Branigan's arrival [but it may be desirable to telegraph to Tanganyika the fact of his B's acceptance (on 17th)]

This should be done on Branigan's file

Submit a V.F. for his appointment

initiated by Mr. Branigan  
J. Alder on 22/12

I have initiated the V.F., but C.S.D. know more than I the probable rate of salary for junior Royal Officer.

J. Alder  
22/12

See minutes on paper 2454/34  
246  
C.S.D. 28/12

6 Governor Byrnes Tel No 15 <sup>Conf</sup> 22 Jan 34  
Request asking date of successor to Branigan may  
be communicated by tel.

The position is that the vacancy  
for Crown Council got itself held up while  
questions about leave and salaries were under  
consideration. Four candidates have now been  
sounded and if any one of the four is willing  
to stand he should fill the bill quite nicely.  
Kenya unfortunately is given to panicking so  
the telegram herewith may keep them quiet.

J. M. S.

7 To Gov. Tel No 15 - 6 Aug - 25/1/34

Mr T. Wallace has been appointed  
Crown Council in Kenya (50884 EA)

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G. O.

3305/33 Kenya.

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Mr. Flood. 24-1

Mr.

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*Codes ahead  
8-45 pm  
24-1-34  
CPD*

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Sir C. Blomley.

Sir J. Stuchburgh.

Sir B. ...

Presid. U.S. of S.

Parly. U.S. of S.

Secretary of State.

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January, 1934.

*no 15.*

Your telegram No. 18. Successor to

Branigan not yet selected but am

hoping to secure suitable candidates

*being read. appointed.*

**DRAFT.**

GOVERNOR,

NAIROBI.



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Telegram from the Officer Administering the Government of Kenya to the Secretary of State for the Colonies.

Dated 22nd December. Received 11-25 a.m. 22nd December, 1933.

No. 246 Confidential.

Your telegram No. 266 Confidential.

Branch gratefully accepts transfer to Tanganyika and will report arrangements made. Grateful if successor can be appointed immediately so as to arrive early in February.

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TELEGRAM from the Secretary of State for the Colonies  
to the Governor of Kenya.

(Sent 9.6 p.m., 18th December, 1933.)

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Confidential No. 200.

Your telegram ~~was~~ Confidential I think  
that it would be better for Branigan to begin his legal  
career in a Dependency where he has not served as a  
Junior Administrative officer. I should be glad therefore  
if you would offer him transfer to Colonial Legal Services  
in the Tanganyika vacancy which is urgent. Salary £720  
to £920 less levy. There is no objection to your informing  
him if you desire of alternative possibility of his being  
appointed Crown Counsel Kenya which I should be willing  
to approve if he prefers it. I do not anticipate that  
standard minimum salary for Colonial Legal Service posts  
in Africa will be less than £720. If transfer accepted  
please arrange details with Governor Tanganyika and  
inform me.

Confidential

Original on 5224/3

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Telegram from the Governor of Kenya to the Secretary of State for the Colonies.

Dated 10th December. Received 11-23 a.m. 11th December, 1953.

No. 239 Confidential.

Your telegram No. 253 Confidential.

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11/11/53  
Branigan. I have no objection to person named being appointed to Tanganyika, but in local interest recommend that he should be retained here and promoted to existing Crown Counsel Kenya. Mr Gregor considered quality of his work amply merits commencing salary of £300 but as initial salary of Crown Counsel not yet fixed presume that warning should be given that promotion will entail acceptance of new salary scale when approved although pension constant will remain unchanged. In any case do not consider that person named should be penalised as to salary if retained here instead of appointed to Tanganyika.





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Telegram from the Officer Administering the Government of Kenya to the Secretary of State for the Colonies.

Dated 15th September. Received 5-20P M. 15th. September 1933.

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No. 187.

Your telegram No. 196. If Harragin sails on 5th.

October Kenya will have to bear cost of two Attorneys General for at least three months. If Bruce is returning to Kenya consider he should be called on to return at once and act till January or February next when McGregor will have come off.

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Kenya funds and Harragin can be appointed from such date. If

*25338 PEA*

this is not feasible Harragin should sail earliest possible

in which case presumably he would act as Attorney General till

*PF 21464EA*

McGregor is off Kenya funds and special ordinance would be necessary to regularise his pension position. McGregor would then sail 1st. November.

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TELEGRAM from the Secretary of State for the Colonies to the  
Officer Administering the Government of Kenya.

(Sent 8.0 p.m., 12th September, 1933.)

No. 196.

My telegram No. 190 selected Harragin Attorney  
General Nyakaland as Attorney General Kenya. He is now on  
leave and can proceed to Kenya by the s.s. Llandaff Castle  
on the 5th October.

Understand that Macgregor wishes to take leave  
before proceeding to Hong Kong and I have no objection to  
this but an overlap in salary is inevitable. Please inform  
me by telegraph whether you can arrange this and when it is  
proposed that Macgregor should leave Kenya. Despatch  
follows.