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Creation of Govt. Analysts' Department.

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Govt. Analysts Dept.  
Analysts Dept.

Govt. Deputy Moore 395 \_\_\_\_\_ 9<sup>th</sup> August 300

Seeks approval of the establishment of a separate  
Govt. Analysts Dept. to take effect from 1<sup>st</sup> Jan. 1935. Gives  
reasons for this proposal & states that the entire cost involved  
would amount to £26 in 1935.

This is hardly good enough. No attempt  
is made to meet the objection - other  
than financial - raised in para 3 of  
Lord Passfield's despatch (2 on 17205). Even  
the £26 additional expenditure for 1935 can  
all be spent, and we are not told  
what the extra cost will be in later  
years. Unless the position has changed  
in the last three years, it is simply  
not true to say that placing the  
Analyst in the Medical Dept is "conforming  
to practice in other Colonies - see the  
list in 17205<sub>31</sub>."

Do not; note that Govt. does  
not deal with the objection raised by Lord  
Passfield; ask what additional expenditure  
will be entailed in later years; enquire  
the cost when the Analyst is in the Med.  
Dept, and say that Govt. is not at  
present convinced that a case has been  
made out for the change.

Christie to check  
the name  
of the  
Dept.  
[unclear]



The Governor's chief arguments in favor  
of setting up a new Dept are:-  
The special Circ. which exist in  
the Colony;

That it is quite impossible under  
the present arrangements for the  
D.M.S. to exercise adequate  
control or supervision over the  
fore Analyst owing to the  
multiplication duties of the latter  
in connection with other Depts;  
That out of 438 investigations  
~~were~~ undertaken by the fore Analyst  
only 8 were for the medical  
Dept; &

That no extra cost will be  
necessary, beyond the £250 required  
in 1935. ? Approve by telegram

C. Grossmith  
16/11/34

Yes - we must give way

J. H. Hunter  
16.11.34

C. J. Jeffries  
20/11/34

L. C. B. 20.11.34

Tel. to Governor. No 282 20/11/34  
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5 Governor's Report 2749 \_\_\_\_\_  
Original despatch copy of which was transmitted  
by air mail as enclosed to Nos.

Action has been taken as  
No 5.

Put by  
C. J. Grossmith  
20/11/34  
above

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C. O. REGY

31st OCTOBER, 1934.

Sir,

N. 2  
I have the honour to refer to your despatch No. 780 of the 22nd September, 1934, on the subject of the proposal to set up a separate department for the Government Analyst, and to say that while I agree in principle that a multiplication of departments is undesirable, and while I observe that a special department of the Government Analyst has been established in only a few Dependencies, I am still of the opinion that the creation of a separate department is desirable in Kenya in view of the special circumstances which exist in this Colony.

2. Owing to his multifarious duties in connection with other departments it is quite impossible under the present arrangements for the Director of Medical Services to exercise any adequate control or supervision over the work of the Government Analyst. The creation of a separate department should, therefore, tend to reduce friction as between the Government Analyst and the other departments with which he has to deal.

The following table showing the investigations or examinations carried out by the Government Analyst up to date this year gives some indication of the work which he performs for the different departments.

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE,  
MAJOR SIR PHILIP GUNLIFFE-LISTER, F.R.C.S., G.B.E., M.C., M.P.,  
SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES,  
DOWNING STREET,  
LONDON, S.W.1.

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Customs	121	Posts and Telegraphs	4
Game	1	Forest	18
Medical Department	8	Railway	26
Municipalities	25	Lines	3
Police	192	Public	0
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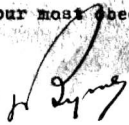
3. In connection with the financial implications subsequent to 1935, I do not consider that there will be any extra cost beyond that which would be necessary if the Government Analyst remained as part of the Medical Department.

In these circumstances, therefore, I shall be glad if you will approve the establishment of a separate department under the Government Analyst to take effect from the 1st January, 1935.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient, humble servant,



BRIGADIER-GENERAL,  
GOVERNOR.

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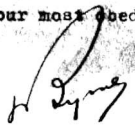
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Secretary of State.

*to*

*No. 282*

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*8th Nov*  
*Your dispatch No 5710*

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*I approve*  
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*for*  
*Nairobi*

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AIR MAIL

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O. O. REGY

8th  
November, 1934.

Sir,

NO2  
I have the honour to refer to your despatch No. 780 of the 22nd September, 1934, on the subject of the proposal to set up a separate department for the Government Analyst and to transmit a copy of my despatch No. 549, which I sent to you by Sea Mail on the 31st of October, 1934.

2. In anticipation of your approval of my proposal, I caused the draft Estimates for 1935 to show the Government Analyst's Laboratory as a separate department. These draft Estimates are now in the course of printing prior to presentation to the Legislative Council on the 20th November, and you will appreciate that it is impracticable to amend them at this stage. Should you however, on further consideration, still feel unable to give your approval to my proposal, the necessary amendments will be effected when the Estimates are examined by the Standing Finance Committee, to which body they will be referred by motion of the Legislative Council.

In these circumstances I shall be glad to have a reply to this despatch by telegram.

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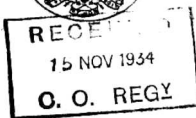
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THE RIGHT HONOURABLE

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LONDON, S.W.1.

AIR MAIL

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8th  
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KENYA.

NO. 780

R.V.

Sir,  
I have, etc.  
The receipt, etc.  
of the 9th of July, etc.  
revising the proposals, etc.  
separate  
special department for the purpose of  
investigating.

In his despatch of the 28th of July, 1935, the Secretary raised a general objection to the multiplication of departments and I observe that you do not deal with that aspect of the matter, ~~nor is~~ also, nor <sup>is given</sup> there any estimate of the additional expenditure which is likely to be entailed subsequent to 1935 by the creation of <sup>the new</sup> ~~special~~ department ~~the~~

FURTHER ACTION.

~~For the Analyst~~, though I note that the extra cost is placed at only £36 in the coming year.

2. On examination of the situation in other colonies, I find that it is hardly correct to say that it is contrary to practice that the Government Analyst should be subordinate to the Director of Medical Services. In point of fact, as a general rule in the Colonial Service, the Government Analyst, or corresponding officer, works under the control of the Medical Department, and it is only in a few places that a special department of Government Analyst has been established. In the Gold Coast, Uganda, Cyprus, Tanganyika Territory, Hong Kong, Federated Malay States and Palestine the Government Analyst works in the Medical Department and there is, therefore, nothing anomalous or unusual in the

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the present practice in Kenya.

3. In the circumstances I am somewhat reluctant to approve the proposal, though if you are satisfied that it is desirable on general grounds and that the creation of a <sup>Special</sup> ~~Special~~ department will reduce friction as between the Government Analyst and the other departments, besides the Medical with which he has to deal, I shall be quite ready to give the matter further consideration. While it is, as I have stated above, the general practice that the Government Analyst is attached to the Medical Department, yet there are administrations in which there is an independent department and the arrangement seems to work with equal satisfaction to all concerned.

I have, Etc.,

(Sgd.) P. CUNLIFFE-LISTER.

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NAIROBI,  
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9/6 August 1934.

Sir,

I have the honour to address you on the subject of the establishment of a separate department under the Government Analyst, and in this respect to refer to correspondence terminating with Lord Passfield's despatch No. 483 of 8th July 1931, in which he agreed, that for financial reasons, the setting up of a separate Analyst's Department was not possible. The financial implications involved by the creation of a separate department have been further examined, and I am satisfied that the extra cost would amount to £300 in 1933.

2. The work and responsibilities of the Government Analyst are distinct from the other research activities of the Medical Department centred in the Laboratory, and it is anomalous, and contrary to practice in other Colonies, that the Government Analyst should be subordinated to the Director of Medical Services.

The greater part of the Government Analyst's work is concerned with the Police and Customs Departments and not with the Medical Department. His work is highly technical and it is impossible for the Director of Medical Services to exercise any real control over his work, and I consider that greater efficiency and perhaps more revenue, will be obtained by constituting a separate

Government ...

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I have the honour to be,

Sir,

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GOVERNOR'S DEPUTY.

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*Wm. McKinnon*

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