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Mr. Bottomley, M.P.
Mr. Green

Miss G. L. G.

Dra. J. C. G.

Parl. Secy. of State

Previous Paper

470/1/2
14Haardt - Gabon scientific mission to Central Africa

Enclosed copy letter from Major Gen. Sir G. D. Lumsden requesting telegrams to be sent to Uganda, T.T., and Nyasa asking for facilities to be accorded. Wish to be informed of action taken.

MINUTES

It would seem to be enough to let to the Govt. of Uganda as follows:

[confidential] [confidential]

French & English Starting Expedition
Grenier persons under command Haardt
and Gabon crossing Afr. in
right waterfalls visitors with letters
travelling Uganda Kenya
Tanganyika Nyasaland in that order
announcing Bullock about March 5.
Request you will afford facilities
Haardt will enforce agreement
early as possible and regular
official selection of means to accompany

Subsequent Paper

F. 1/200

Expedition Through each Territory & NOT
described that ultimate destination
should become generally known
Please inform Governor Keay
Tanganyika Nyasa (and) as may
be necessary.

Although nothing can bind or
bind 19/24 after 1st, I think that Gov'
should we intend to pay for the
det. & so on

Replies to be signed will be treated
but to not do so alone on
receipt of a note saying for he
should sign up the rest of the let.
What, not a sufficient and frequent
signature (or letter) for various
purposes.

I agree except that the question
of getting an undertaking from the
Santos can be placed more officially
~~and so more easily & conveniently than~~
~~as they are now, as they are now~~
as they are now, as they are now
as they are now, as they are now

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any agent for approach. I do not think that
any foreign Govt could be guilty of such among
meanness towards my British subjects especially
and of the Dervishes have the power in most
of them on grounds of independent despotism

In any further communication
on this subject, please quote

No. J 352/103/66

and address

not to any person by name.

The Under-Secretary of State,
Colonial Office,
London, S.W.1.

Immediate and Confidential.

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RE 7 FEB 25

FOREIGN OFFICE. S.W.1.

6th February, 1925.

Sir,

1. With reference to the letter from this department
of the 7th of October last, regarding the Haardt-Dubreuil
scientific mission to Central Africa, I am directed by
Mr. Secretary Chamberlain to transmit to you, herewith,
a copy of a further letter on this subject from Major-General
Sir E. D. Swinton. Mr. Chamberlain will be grateful if he
may be informed in due course what action Mr. Secretary Amery
has taken in this matter.

2. Major-General Swinton has requested that the warning
of the impending arrival of the expedition in British
colonial territory may be telegraphed as soon as possible
to the authorities concerned. It will be observed that he
is anxious that the ultimate destination of the expedition
should not be disclosed to the general public.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

Herzog Lieber

Under-Secretary of State,
Colonial Office.

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United Service Club,
Pall Mall Gardens, S.W.1.
February, 1926.

SECRET

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February.

My dear Colleagues,

I am now able to reply to your personal letter No. E.3557/3525/16 of the 2nd October. The Haardt-Dubreuil Citroen-Kegresse Expedition has now arrived in the neighbourhood of STANLEYVILLE and will shortly reach the frontier of UGANDA.

Scarcely is ^{so} no longer essential, so if you can kindly approach the Colonial Office to telegraph to the Governors of

UGANDA,
KENYA,
TANGANYIKA,
NYASSA.

as promised, will you please do so.

2. We have found, owing to the tour having unfortunately been arranged for the rainy season, that it may not be possible to continue it into TANGANYIKA and NYASSA until later in the year. This has upset the original itinerary sketched out, and the new route will have to be settled locally by M. Haardt when he reaches UGANDA upon the latest information.

He may decide to spend some time in UGANDA and KENYA, and then, when the rains are over, to go on to TANGANYIKA and NYASSA; or he may decide to omit this latter part of the trip and go down to the Coast at MONBASSA or DAR-ES-SALAAM and embark there.

3. But, whichever route he takes, it will now vitiate the despatch of the telegram to the Colonial Offices worded conciently to deal with the eventuality of his entering each Dependency. If he does not do so no harm will be done. If he does so,

Olivier, Secy., C.M.G.

FOREIGN OFFICE, Downing Street, S.W.1.

each Government will get ample warning in advance of the progress of the Expedition as it approaches.

4. I attach herewith a suggested telegram to each Governor which should meet any case, for despatch after occurrence by the Colonial Office.

I understand that the Colonial Office may prefer to telegraph to the Governor of UGANDA alone, asking him to communicate details to the other Governors as soon as he obtains them from H. Haardt. This course will meet the case equally.

5. For convenience I send this letter in duplicate and two copies of the proposed telegram.

Yours sincerely,

S D Swinton

Enclos.: 1 Copy letter.
2 copies draft telegram.

PS - Should such a proposal come a copy of the message containing a copy could be sent to me

RDS

The ultimate destination of the expedition should not be disclosed.

- RECORDED
- " French Scientific Sporting Expedition sixteen persons
 - " eight Citroen-Egresses Caterpillar Motors eight Wallers under
 - " MM. Haardt and Audouin Dubreuil on its way across Africa now
 - " traverse portion of Uganda Kenya Tanganyika Nyasaland in that
 - " order entering Uganda at Entebbe about ^{5th} MARCH. Please
 - " give every assistance. Haardt has been asked to inform you
 - " direct of itinerary as early as possible. He invites one
 - " Official selected by Governor to accompany Expedition through
 - " each Territory."
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DRAFT. Code Telegram

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En Tchibe

X French Scientific stations

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Mr. Seel 9.2.25

Mr. Jeffries 9/2

Mr.

Sir J. Shurburgh

Sir C. Dingo

Sir G. Knobell

Sir J. Maderton Smith

Mr. Arnold

M. Thomas

Hermann Haardt and tributaries

Citrus crossing Africa in eight

Caterpillar motors with

trailers may traverse

Uganda Kenya Tanganyika

Nyasaland in that order

arriving Bulawayo about

March 5th. Request upon will

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March 5th. Request you will

afford all proper facilities.

Award will inform you of
itinerary direct as early as
possible and invites one official
selected by Governor to
accompany expedition through
east territory. Not desired
that ultimate destination
should become generally known.
Please inform Governor Kenya
long before departure & may
be necessary

HARRY

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Sir:

MINUTE.

Mr. Seal 9/2/25

Mr. Jeffries 9/2/25

Mr.

Sir J. Shuckburgh.

Sir C. Davis.

Sir G. Grindall.

Sir J. Masteron Smith.

Lord Arnold.

Mrs Thomas.

Mr also

(cc) Permanent
U.S.A.

10 Feb. 1926

I am to thank the

receipt of your letter No.

J 352/103/66 of the 6/8

26th and to inform you on

the said before the Secretary

Chamberlain the acc.

copy of a tel. which he

has sent to the Govt. of

Uganda on the subject of

the proposed tributary

Scientific mission to Central
Africa.

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(2) W. B. Horner.