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FROM
FOREIGN OFFICE.

DATE

16th February 1925.

FOR CIRCULATION:—

Mr.

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Secretary of State

CESSION OF JUBALAND.

Encs copy of memo from Italian Embassy requesting authority to deposit certain notes at Kisumu. Propose to agree, subject to concurrence of C.O.

Previous Paper

MINUTES

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*Kenya - Tel. con. 14.11.1925
Quod 3 March, 1925. on Gov. 9.30.25*

Subsequent Paper

In any further communication on this subject, please quote No. C 2078/1803/22.

and address not to any person by name,

but to "The Under-Secretary of State," Foreign Office, London, S.W.1.

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RE. FEB 25

FOREIGN OFFICE,
S.W.1.
February 16th, 1925.

Sir,

With reference to your letter No. 5247/25 of 6th February last, I am directed by Mr. Secretary Chamberlain to transmit to you herewith copy of a memorandum received from the Italian Embassy requesting authority to deposit certain government stores destined for Jubaland at Kisimayu pending the transfer of that territory to the Italian authorities.

2. In view of the reasons given by the Italian Government herewith Mr. Chamberlain proposes, subject to the concurrence of the Colonial Office, to agree to the suggested arrangement.

I am, Sir, your obedient servant.

Arthur Balfour

The Under-Secretary of State,
Colonial Office.

TRANSLATION.

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MEMORANDUM.

It has been pointed out to the Italian Ministry for the Colonies that in the anticipation that the material to be furnished by the Italian Ministry of War and destined for the new Jubaland territory to be ceded to Italy can be shipped on the steamer leaving Italy in February, or at the latest on that leaving in March, it would be very convenient to be able to avoid the transshipment and the deposit of the material at Magadiscio, pending the possibility of forwarding through Kisimayu. This transshipment besides involving very great expense would seriously injure the material, taking into consideration also the approaching rainy season.

Various private firms have, moreover, made serious proposals directed to obtain the means of concentrating henceforward at Kisimayu materials and goods to be in readiness for the time when the Italian Authorities take possession of the territory and to avoid having to remain there inactive for many months awaiting supplies.

For these reasons it has been represented to the Italian Ministry for the Colonies that it would be appropriate to ask the British Government for authorisation to disembark henceforth at Kisimayu the material belonging to the Italian administration and the goods of private persons and for the grant of free warehouses, utilising temporarily the existing premises or constructing sheds adjoining those existing at the Italian bonded warehouse.

The local British authorities should be guaranteed by whatever system of control they may wish to prescribe including the deposit of the keys of the safe.

The Italian authorities should be asked to inform whether the competent British authorities would be disposed to grant the permission indicated above.

ITALIAN EMBASSY, LONDON,
6th February, 1925.

- Mr. Seel. 17.2.25
- Mr. Bottomley 17.2.25
- Mr. Strachey. 17 d ma
- J. Shuckburgh.
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14 February

Italian Government - have asked whether in order to avoid transshipment at NOGADISHU pending ~~possibility~~ forwarding to Norwegian facilities could be given for disembarking and free storage of material destined by Italian Ministry of War for the transport territory to be transpired. They urge that they could thus avoid expense of transshipment and risk of damage in rainy season, and

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