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3 APR 256th March, 1925.Medical Staff in Kenya

Complaints of shortage and wanton
negligence generally.

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MINUTES

The adored draft represents
what had in mind to write to
you so long ago I think we
had better leave any developments
and results to you in your
own office and do not trouble
yourself about it.

3 APR 25

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Subsequent Papers

left out - kept

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Shankspur
Dover
Middle
Maidstone Smith
London
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To Sir Bullock,

Following on the Colonial
Confidential of 25th March and
a letter I have had from Golds on
a similar subject, I have been
considering whether we could not
arrive some arrangement by
which the Private Secretaries here
would have copies either of
any warrant he sends or
notified and copied in the
annual statement of our
expenses and all other pur-

you would, but an important
way is that George would
be more able to take care for
the "show out".

My reason is that by
the time you know fully
all over your interests
and tendencies and ideas on
how you want to manage
your business after this, I
will, I hope, call you off.
~~In fact~~ the telephone
for arguments to us we
will assume that the
man would be available and
available (unless a just
cause comes over my) probably
for weeks out of notice to avoid
any unnecessary trouble or
any unnecessary
disturbance
and you might always get a man
who is fit to act in case.

I hope if you like
make later you will tell me
in one of your letters and if
so

Rocky
Stockburgh
Davie
Trindle
Harrison Smith
John Goss
Moy

DRAFT.

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Sent
had been stated. I think you
would be obliged to take them
unless they could be conveniently
accommodated elsewhere.

Downing Street,

2, April, 1925.

Dear Gilks,

I have your letter of the 6th of March in which you say that a good deal of discontent is being caused by vacancies in the Medical Department not being filled up.

I expect you fully realise that we have to keep an even a balance as possible in regard to filling vacancies in the whole of the East African Medical Service. Both Uganda and the Tanganyika Territory have gone in for a very largely increased establishment for 1924 and 1924-5 respectively, and there was no such increase for Kenya in the same period. This accounts entirely for the fact that quite a number of men have been selected for Uganda and the Tanganyika Territory, while, during the same time, no one has gone to Kenya since Hsler in July last. When Pope was transferred to Hong Kong, you wanted man with the D.P.M. to take his place and none was forthcoming until Garpham was selected; he has been allocated to Kenya has taken the course and will probably sail next month. Snzer, selected at the same time sails this month. Martin has also been selected.

ected for Kenya; he will take the summer
in London and can be expected to sail
August. This leaves only one vacancy which
had asked us not to fill for the time being; we
however, picking out one of our unallocated
for Kenya. The position, therefore, seems
that there has been no delay at all in filling
vacancies. It must be remembered that at the
something like four or five months must elapse, in
normal course, between the time when a vacancy is
filled to us and the time when the selected candidate
for East Africa. The people who have been
writing you by going on to Uganda and other places
obtained selected at a time when you had no
one.

The supply of candidates appears to be steadily
rising, and if your proposed increases for next
quarter we can hope to be able to meet your
But it will be a pity if we are not able to
have to find men till the estimates are received
and here I will go into that and see if we
can

can do something both for doctors and for other staff
of the first importance. I shall probably be writing
to Durham about it.

Yours sincerely,

Box 641

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3 APR 25

Nairobi

6-3-25

Bottomley

You told me I could tell you how things
going here. Well we have several difficulties
these arise chiefly because the staff is so
large & a good many of them don't realize that
are bound to extend next year. They are all
been they want to get down to all the
work they see that is shortening to be done &
not be thought of. One thing though is
causing a good bit of discontent & that is that
vacancies are not filled up. There are numbers
now going through to Uganda & Tanganyika
I am told that a good many of them say
applied for here & were told they had to
go to one of the other places. Two names were

given me, Watkins-Pitchford & Steel. I try
people that we are getting selected men. If
I could say it as coming from home things
be better can I? I try also to talk about
beginning of the East African Service but
answer always is of course that the com-
munity does not exist. The question in
was put up as a result of the Coast meeting
meeting some men going to Tanganyika
we & one vacancy filled up but at the
time we have no room for second rates
are doing estimates for next year & put
in for a big increase. There seems good
getting a decent amount

I hope you are fit I had a very nice
week in Royallier but it was spoilt by
badly show of the Governor's death
Please remember me to Parkinson

Yours sincerely
John G. Elton



[Signature]

2. April 1925

Dear Sirs

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of March in which you say that
a good deal of discontent is being caused
by vacancies in the medical staff
not being filled up.

I expect you fully realize
that we have to keep as even a
balance ~~as~~ ^{in regard to} possible ~~as~~ ^{in regard to}
filling vacancies in the staff of
the East African Medical Service.
Both Uganda & the T.T. have

gone in for a very largely increased
establishment for 1924 & 1924-5
respectively, & this can do much
more for Kenya in the same period.

DRAFT.

Sir,
F.R.C.S., L.R.C.P.

MINUTE.

Approved 1.4.25

[Signature]
Approved 1.4.25

In answer

Study every 6
1st week in S.A.
2nd week in S.A.
3rd week in S.A.

This account, entirely for the fact that
quite a number of men have been selected
for Uganda & the T.T., while, during the
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Gantman was selected & he has been
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same time, sails this month. Neither
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take the same voyage in London & not
expected to sail about August. This leaves
only one vacancy which you asked us not
to fill for the time being: we are, however,
posting out one of our unallocated candidates
for Kenya. The position, therefore, seems to be
that there has been no delay at all in filling
your vacancies. It must be remembered
~~of course~~ ^{has} that the S.D.G. does
not consist of a small party to fill
the posts in Kenya.

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Mr.
Rockburgh
Mrs.
Mable
Masterless Smith
F.B.I.

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months must elapse, in the
normal course, between the
time when a vacancy is created
to us and the time when
the selected candidate arrives
for C. Africa. The people
who have been authorizing
you to go to Uganda
and other places were
doubtless selected at a time
when you had no vacancies.
The mostly permanent
appear to be recently

... amount and of ~~the~~
proposed measure for next
year are approved or
... hope to be able to
meet your demands. But -
... and owing of course
... when to take steps which
... will be dictated by
... how it appears best. And
... what is in view we
... in accordance with the
... resolution of this day of the
... we will have some
... money in view a certain
... amount
... in view.

(Signed) W. G. BOTTOMLEY.