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FROM		DATE
G.A.G. DENHAM,	TEL 115	12th March 1925.

FOR CIRCULATION:-

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Secretary of State.

COMPULSORY LABOUR FOR RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION.

Has called out 1400 labourers from Kavirondo and 300 from Gashen Gishu line; Contractors demands probably satisfied. Proposes call for 600 Akimba for Thika Nyeri and 200 Akamba for relaying near Samuru; this tribe has contributed little hitherto.

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Previous Paper

Govt 10369

MINUTES

Please see also the report
in Govt 10369

Our Ac. of 14 January on
825 definitely implied that
compelled labour would be local
labour, but this was not insisted
on in the later telegram of 20 Feb.
on 7089.

As the Uganda extension depends
on the completion of the Lower Tana
railway, the Germans have a
direct interest in it, but
the employment of Kavirondo (Kisumu)
(Mombasa) natives on the Lower
Tana and of Akimbas on the

Subsequent Paper

Oals. 16059

the Madras Gorda line is on
re sailing 400 miles from the coast
westerly no question of a current.
It cannot be stopped, and the
attempt to get back out of the
channel is in any case
inevitably experimental.

When the down Gorda line is
passed, we must suppose that
it goes up. Should it do so,
what will be available for the
Tunis - Suez line?

"Pug" bed

(Belgrave 106. 17.3.25
1646
heavy gales)

In striking

Proceeded 1670 hrs my steamer hit
a flat rock which was also a refuge for a
number of the Albatross.

Left it

~~1670 hrs~~
Proceeded 1670 hrs about the 16th
to have a rest. The 16th
subject in the Albatross - for a few
paper, eggs & tuber (7189) - 1670 hrs

17.3.25

Mr 3/4/25

yes this is all right
at one 604.25

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TELEGRAM from the Officer Administering the Government of Kenya to the Secretary of State for the Colonies. Dated 12th March. (Received Colonial Office 6.10 p.m. 13th March, 1925).

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No. 115. 12th March. Your telegram of 20th February Compelled Labour Action taken hitherto has been to call out 1200 labourers from Kavirondo and 300 from Kerio Province for Uasin Gishu Line recruiting has proceeded very satisfactorily. In this connection I would state that the Contractors recently informed me that given 1500 labourers for two months and 750 for a further six weeks their demands would probably be satisfied. I find it necessary to call for 500 men for Thika Nyeri Railway and the Chief Native Commissioner advises that call be made on the Akamba rather than Kikuyu your telegram of 14th January former tribe shows only thirteen per cent of the available labour to be working whereas the latter is providing the highest percentage of labour to-day 200 men also required for (?)MB) relaying near Sarsara I recommend call should be made on the Akamba who are accustomed to similar climatic conditions if the proposal is approved it would have excellent effect on the Akamba Tribe and the Senior Commissioner reports that there will be no difficulty in securing the number of men required. The total which will thus be called on will be considerably less than the number permitted by you in respect of both railways and it is hoped that will meet all requirements.

See notes

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* The Secretary of State for the Colonies to the Governor
of Kenya.

Telegram

Sent 7th April, 1926.

7th April.

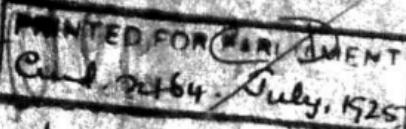
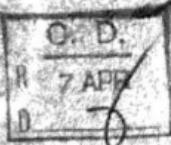
Your telegram 12th March, 1926. >

Nakabu proposal up revised to a minimum of 700 and for
purposes specified.

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7th April ~~1925~~

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AKAMBA proposal affixed
up to maximum £ 700 and for
purposes mentioned specified

(2) Secy

Mr. Seel 64/25
Mr. Allen 74
Mr. Bottomley 7/1/25

Sir G. Davis.

Sir G. Grindall.

Sir H. Read.

Sir J. Masterton Smith.

Lord Arnold.

Mr. Thomas.

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