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KENYA

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DATE

10th February 1925.

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DEATH OF GOVERNOR.  
ASSUMPTION OF GOVERNMENT BY MR DENHAM.

Reports, on 10th February.

Previous Paper

MINUTES

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Anything as to Lady Coryndon's  
movements, to be Colborne & her  
brother

Rank Worthington Esq. OBE  
20 Westfield, Geneva  
Sw 7  
Tel. Western 3311

(Sub. 11.2  
See also on sheet attached.

Letter Feb 2 attached.

Majr Grogan called this  
morning, when he understood  
that Lady Coryndon was going to  
Kenya. He wanted to provide  
£1000, without his name appearing  
at this stage, for setting up

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that will be - he thinks we  
should make it a point to  
- provide the law in relation  
to banks.

On hearing that Lady Condon  
was coming home, I tried to  
telephone him without  
success. I have now got  
through & find that after  
discussion with Mr Worthington,  
who knows what he has done,  
he wishes the arrangement to  
stand. The money, he is  
sure, will be wanted.

Send off by 5th - or  
re-iterate.

Wed. 11. 2. 25

I have - thanks to a reminder  
from Mr. Parkinson - looked  
up about the Nov. Rhodema  
insurance on Sir R. Condon's  
life (Jan/60/4/23 S.A. 111.)  
Mr. Purcell has also looked it up  
& finds that the policy is definitely  
in Lady Condon's favor (which  
will save much trouble), and  
that the premium is fully paid.  
On the question whether or the

find out for the C. what  
proof of death they will  
require, he thinks we should  
leave that to Lady Condon's  
solicitors, and as she is  
so <sup>soon</sup> ~~likely~~ due home we  
can agree.

Now Rudy

Wed. 11. 2. 25

alone

11th February, 1925

Dear Lord Stamfordham,

The following telegram has been received in the Colonial Office:-

"Please convey Lady Coryndon's gratitude to Their Majesties. Am arranging Lady Coryndon travel via Marseilles. Will telegraph later date arrival London. Percy Tarbut."

Mr. Percy Tarbut is, I understand, an old English settler in East Africa, and it is assumed that as a friend he is making arrangements for Lady Coryndon, but he holds no official position.

Would you be so good as to convey to Their Majesties Lady Coryndon's gratitude for their kindly message of sympathy?

Yours very truly,

Rt. Hon.

Lord Stamfordham, GCB., GCIE., GCMG.

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TELEGRAPHS.

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E CONVEY LADY CORYNDONS GRATITUDE TO THEIR MAJESTIES AM

ING LADY CORYNDON TRAVEL VIA MARSEILLES WILL TELEGRAPH LATER

ARRIVAL LONDON PERY TARBUT

11th February, 1925.

Dear Lord Stamfordham,

I enclose the accompanying telegram which has just been received in this Office for His Majesty the King.

The time of arrival here was 11.27 a.m.

Yours very truly,

24/2/25

W. Mon.

Lord Stamfordham, GCB., GCIE., GCVO.

Mr. W. J. ...

Mr. W. J. ... says up  
to say he had received a  
wireless from a student  
friend in S.S. Mulbera  
saying that Lady ...  
was returning to Kenya on  
arrival at Marseilles (on  
Feb 10<sup>th</sup>)

He also said our tel to  
Lady ... did not appear  
to have reached her as  
the Mulbera had left  
Egyptian ...  
our tel reached Alexandria

Have ...  
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TELEGRAM. From the Colonial Secretary, Kenya to the  
Secretary of State for the Colonies.

Dated 10th February, 1925.

(Received Colonial Office 11.54 a.m. 10th February, 1925)

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61. 10th February.

Deeply regret to inform you that the  
Governor died at 11. a.m. 10th February.

I have assumed Government of Kenya  
from this day.

DENHAM.

*Go/6412 Kenya*

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Water.

*Caird & Sent  
1.25 pm  
10 Feb '25*

I deplore most

sincerely the death of Sir

Robert Coryndon. I am

confident that the Colony

like myself will mourn the

loss of a Governor who has

worked with a single eye to

its interests and a man whose

personality commanded the

affection of all.

Amery.

DRAFT. TELEGRAM

for Nairobi

MINUTE.

Mr. Bottomley 10

Mr.

Mr.

Sir C. Davis.

Sir G. Grindle.

Sir H. Read.

Sir H. Lambert 10

Sir L. Macleay-Smith.

Sir R. Ormsby-Gore

Lord Cromer

Mr Amery

Mr. Thomas - *in 107*

Let Mr. Caird give this  
to press after despatch.

*Issued to Press*

*11/2/25*

*HC*



Gen/6412 Amery

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later.

See 1.10 pm  
10 Feb '25  
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DRAFT. TELEGRAM

Weyndon

S. Mulhara

Alexandria Radio  
MINUTE.

W. Bottomley 10.2.

Mr.

Mr.

Sir C. Davis.

Sir G. Grindle.

Sir H. Reid.

Sir H. Lambert 10

Sir J. Masterton-Smith.

Mr. Ormsby-Gore

Lord Arnold.

Mr. Amery

Mr. Thomas.

*Amery*

With the most sincere  
regret and sympathy I have  
to inform you that further  
telegram reports that your  
husband died eleven o'clock  
this Tuesday morning.

Amery.

DRAFT.

I deplore most sincerely  
the ~~loss of~~ death of Sir  
Robert Congdon, and I

MINUTE.

Mr.

Mr.

Mr.

Sir J. Shuckburgh.

Sir C. Davis.

Sir G. Grindle.

Sir J. Mordaunt Smith

Lord Arnold.

Mr. Thomas.

Mr. Amery

Mr. Gray  
after the signature

~~desire that you should~~  
~~write it down that~~

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along like myself will

measure the loss of a

Governor who has worked

with a single eye to its

interests and a few men

whose personality

commanded the affection

of all Amery

DRAFT.

London

rubber

via Radio

MINUTE.

Mr. Wood 9.10.2.

Mr.

Mr.

Sir J. Shuckburgh.

Sir G. Davis.

Sir G. Grindle.

Sir J. Maister Smith

Lord Arnold.

Mr. Thomas.

With the most sincere

regret and sympathy

I have to inform you that

further telegram reports

that your husband

died eleven o'clock

this Tuesday morning

Henry

DRAFT.

London  
 Cuba  
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 MINUTE.

Mr. Wood 9.10.2

Mr.

Mr.

Sir J. Shuckburgh.

Sir C. Davis.

Sir C. Grindle.

Sir J. Masterton Smith

Lord Arnold.

Mr. Thomas.

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died eleven o'clock

this Tuesday morning

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~~Following~~  
Following message from ~~the~~ His Majesty the King

The Queen and I are grieved to hear of the sudden and irreparable loss which has befallen you, a loss also to the Colony of Kenya and to the Empire. We assure you of our heartfelt sympathy in your sorrow and at the same time we desire to express our gratitude for the kind hospitality which the Duke and Duchess of York have received from you and the Governor since they first landed in the Colony.

G.R.I.

ends

*Amery*

Sent 5:15 pm  
10 Feb '35  
CP  
[Signature]

DRAFT. Telegram  
in clau

Congress  
Mulbera  
Alexandria, Radio

MINUTE.

Mr. Hartman }  
Mr. Botley } 10/2 at the

- Mr.
- Sir J. Strickburgh.
- Sir C. Davis.
- Sir G. Grindle.
- Sir J. Masterton Smith.
- Lord Arnold.
- Mr. Thomas.

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Arrangements have been made to provide £1000 for immediate necessities in

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connection with settlement of late Government affairs of

hair

MINUTE.

will be issued to Government by National Bank of <sup>South Africa</sup> ~~the~~

Nottingham 11.2  
6/11/25

and should be handed over to Dutton who will no doubt be in charge of arrangements.

- Mr. J. Struckburgh.
- Mr. C. Davis.
- Mr. G. Grindle.
- Mr. J. Masterton Smith.
- Mr. Arnold.
- Mr. Thomas.

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