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Downing Street,
23 January, 1926.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of Mr. Denham's despatch No.796 of the 25th of June forwarding a copy of ^a ~~the~~ report by the Auditor regarding the proposal that the Customs, Police and Military Departments should be regarded as self-accounting. ² and I note that the Auditor is of opinion that the necessary conditions precedent to such an arrangement are ~~often~~ ^{ful} filled in the case of the Customs and Police Departments, but not in that of the Military Department; but I am not satisfied that there is sufficient justification for ^{pro} ~~pre~~cluding either of the two latter departments from the supervision and control which should be exercised in and through the Treasury in accordance with the Col. Regulations. Therefore, while I approve of the Custom

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Department being regarded as "self-accounting"

I am not prepared to agree to the extension
of the system to either the Police or the
Military Department. In these circumstances,

the arrangements referred to in para.2 of

Mr. Denham's despatch No.1361 of the 16th

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October, 1924, should no longer be continued;
in the case of either of these Departments;
and in future the procedure indicated in

Colonial Regulations 319 and 321 should

be followed in connection with the expendi-

ture of both ~~these~~ Departments.

I have, etc..

(Signed) L. S. AMERY