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Ministry of State.

B.M.A.S. REGULATIONS.

Kenya branch of B.M.A. requests application of new regulations be suspended until Memorial reaches S. of S. Considers certain of the regulations require further conson. Despatch follows at once.

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The Regulation have been drafted after the fullest possible consultation with the local Govts and the C.M.S. Club, and it is not clear why the Kenya branch of the B.M.A should object to their application to Kenya, or why the D.M.S.S. should support them. It would in any

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any case be impracticable to suspend the application of the regns to a certain of the E.A.M.S., when the regns have been published in the other Dependencies concerned (without, so far as we know, any protest having been made). Certainly there is no ground for suspending the regns, on account of the two objections mentioned in the last sentence of this tel. The question of applying the liability to trans. to officers now in the service is discussed in the minutes in 28045/ 1. It is most unlikely that a case will arise in which the liability will be questioned; if the case does arise it can be dealt with according to its merits.

In regard to private practice, there is no question of infringing a right. Officers have never been granted the right to private practice as part of the conditions of service. It is true that private practice has been tacitly allowed, but it was only at certain stations that there was any to be had.

An officer stationed at Nairobi and enjoying private practice could have had no possible ground to protest if, before these regulations were thought of, he had been moved to a station where there was no private practice. This can be easily said to have any more cause for complaint if it is laid down that the officer for the time being stationed at Nairobi is not to take private practice? A provision for the Governor debarring private practice at certain stations did appear in the W.A.M.S. regns (for years) and was in the draft of the E.A.M.S. regns which were sent out for comment. No protest against it was then made by Dr. Gilks.

In any case there is no need to suspend the regulations because of section IV. The regulations do not oblige the Governor to take any action under section IV (2), and if he finds difficulty in

Section 10 of the Regulations in
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taking any action under that clause
he can say so and explain his
reasons.

Bft. for comment hereinafter.

Geffrard
5.10.25.

I agree entirely

H.P. 5.10.25

Mr. Derby-Jones

(1) Liability for compulsory transfer.

If it is suggested here that
what they desire is the "compulsory
horsing over to the post" - transfer
from other authorities. But
as the D.H.S. says "compulsory
transfer" we need not go beyond
that point. On this, the draft
will run. If it becomes necessary
we would agree that a man originally
allotted to Kenya (only) shall
not be compulsorily transferred.

With the proviso that a man
who declined could not subsequently
get promotion transfer from

Kenya
(2) Private practice. Please see

Represents the existing position, & no
objection arises. Paragraph IV(2) is
the important one, & before it
has been altered (with the exception of
the U.P.O.S. C.) since the
Regulations were referred to Govt. &
Bft. The original form is to apply
as at 58/10/25, but the new, and

I think the changes are acceptable
in this case. In this if the C.R.A.
wishes, for a particular district, the
Governor takes a definite decision,
viz.: that this is private practice
sufficient for private use and that
Govt. doctors should therefore
confine themselves to their (elsewhere)
Government jobs.

On this point, too, therefore, I
think the draft telegram meets
the case.

Sgt. A.C.W. 6/11/25. W.C. Officer
Agree. at our 6.10.25.

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Telegram from the Officer Administering the Government of Kenya to the Secretary of State for the Colonies.

Dated 2nd October.

(Received Colonial Office 6.50 p.m., 2nd October, 1925)

1804 No. 447 2nd October. Your despatch of 24th July Confidential
Regulations for the Medical Service(s), Kenya branch of the
British Medical Association requests me to cable you ask MR
you to suspend application of the new Regulations for the
East African Medical Service in Kenya until the Memorial
from the Members of the service in this Colony reaches you.
Director of Medical and Sanitary Services supports the
request and I am addressing you fully by despatch by todays
mail. Consider that Regulations especially those referring
to liabilities compulsory transfer and withdrawal of the
privileges of private practice as affecting the present
members of the staff require further consideration before any
action taken on your despatch.

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6th Oct.

Your tel. 2nd Oct. No. 4467

as regulations have been
promulgated in East African
Dependencies generally and

are now in force
I am not prepared

suspend their application to
members of the East African
Medical Service in Kenya.

As regards objections
mentioned in your
telegram it is of course
open to you to represent
your difficulties with

regard to private practice
before taking ~~action~~ any
action under para. 6 of
my despatch 4th July ①

(28045/10)

With reference to transfer
no change in existing
practice is contemplated
and question of right of
officers to have been appointed
~~officers now in service~~ to
expressly to require any to
refuse transfer if offered
can be left for common
individual cases of duty

Yours etc

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