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CROWN AGENTS

DATE  
9TH DECEMBER 1921

CIRCULATION:-

- Mr. *Partridge*
- Mr. *Bassett*
- Mr. *Stanger*
- Mr. Grindle
- Sir H. Lambert
- Sir H. Bond
- Sir ~~Masterson~~ Smith.
- Mr. Wood
- Mr. Churchill

SUBJECT

FAMILY PASSAGE ALLOWANCES

Encloses revised ~~regular~~ for approval.

Previous Paper

MINUTES

*Yr 52763/4 24*

*I have been through this & made some alterations.*

*It may be well to take this opportunity of calling attention to the fact that the £700 limit is to be reconsidered in another 3 months. We did not actually ask Gov. for their recommendations on this point in 15644: and it is necessary to consider whether we should do so now, whether*

*closed up after and 1/2 year 2  
of these cons  
J. P. [Signature]*

Subsequent Paper

*Cap 1824/32*

MINUTES

MINUTES NOT TO BE WRITTEN  
ON THIS SIDE

we should decide that,  
for financial reasons,  
whether we should go  
back to £500 a ton  
April next, or whether  
we should, without going  
to the Govs., present  
to extend the concession  
for another year on the  
ground that the cost  
of passages via Suez has  
actually increased.

I should think we  
could do the last, giving  
the figures of the present  
also & explaining that  
as the Govs. are not  
willing to maintain a  
Suez route, except at  
enhanced rates, it is  
improbable that much  
reduction can be expected  
in the near future.

Agreed  
And I approve CA

Circular as above  
and for 14 copies  
for record to be sent  
out to Govs. and  
1890  
1891

I had hoped that we  
could have any  
but things  
a sampling  
at (yet) present  
such as  
the most  
to go on  
figures  
least  
the  
provisions  
that we  
wish to  
error  
and permit  
proposals  
date of  
able during  
unit.

re: cl. F.T.  
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Agreed  
and  
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agree, but I doubt if it will facilitate  
acceptance of the proposal by the Treasury if  
we suggest that we are going to ask for  
more money (to establish the bank) as well as  
we can

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East African Department,  
Colonial Office.

With reference to the arrangements for grants in respect of wives' passages to East Africa we have been considering the revision of the circular on the subject, to include your recent rulings. We have also incorporated in it information with a view to minimising correspondence from officers on the subject.

I forward herewith a copy of the circular as now proposed. We shall be glad to hear that it meets with your approval.

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"M" Department,  
Crown Agents.  
9th December, 1921.

PASSAGE ALLOWANCES.

Amended, December 1921.

The arrangements for the grant of the difference between the pre-war and present cost of the passages of officers' families have been discontinued as from the 1st April, 1921. As from that date married officers with salaries of £2500 (A.) a year (A. see footnote) or less will be eligible for the following concessions:

(a) When an officer is accompanied by his wife and/or family, to or from East Africa, he may be granted in addition to the cost of his own passage, ~~fifty per cent~~ of the cost of a single passage by the class by which he is entitled to travel, towards the cost of his wife's and/or family's passages. There will be no objection if he so desires, to his making his own arrangements for his own passage and that of his wife and/or family by whatever class he wishes, and he should submit a claim to the Crown Agents or to the local Government for  $\frac{1}{2}$  times the cost of an ordinary passage by the class by which he is entitled to travel.

(b) When an officer's wife and/or family travel independently to or from East Africa, they may be granted ~~fifty per cent~~ of the cost of an ordinary single passage by the class by which the officer is entitled to travel but must make their own arrangements for passages. An officer who has received the necessary permission and who wishes his wife and/or family to follow him to East Africa should complete the requisite form of agreement before leaving England, otherwise payment cannot be made until advice has been received from East Africa that the agreement has been completed locally. An Officer's wife and/or family may proceed by any class of passage, irrespective of the class by which the officer himself is entitled to travel.

Not more than one grant in each direction will be made during each tour of service on the part of the officer, and no claim to this concession can be entertained in respect of a tour of service, during which an officer's wife and/or family do not actually make the journey - e.g. if an officer's wife remains in England during one tour of service and then travels to East Africa with, or independently of, her husband during his second tour of service, ~~fifty per cent~~ only and not the full cost, of the ordinary single passage will be paid.

2. Attention is drawn to the following points:-

(1) For the purpose of these payments the cost of a passage in the case of officers of Kenya, the Uganda, Zanzibar, Somaliland Protectorates and Tanganyika Territory, is that by the all sea route via Suez, but in the case of all Nyasaland officers and any Tanganyika Territory Officers who are required to proceed to or from the Territory via Chinde the cost is that by the Mail Steamer via South Africa and thence by sea to Chinde.

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- (2) Payment will in no case be made until the necessary agreement has been completed and evidence produced of the booking of the passages. A deposit note from the Shipping Company showing that a reasonable portion of the passage money has been paid will be accepted as evidence of booking.
- (3) When the actual cost of the passage tickets is known to be less than the above maximum grants, only the actual cost of such passage tickets will be paid. Allowances of any description by the Shipping Company will be taken into consideration in arriving at the actual cost.
- (4) With reference to para. (b) above, an officer is at liberty to travel by a lower class than that to which he is entitled and any saving on his normal passage (i.e. the difference between the actual cost of his ticket and that of the ticket by the all sea route by the class by which he is entitled to travel) may be added, when the time comes, to the grant paid to his wife and/or family provided that they join him during the same tour of service and that the total sum paid to them does not exceed the actual cost of their passage tickets (without incidental expenses).
- (5) Any grant made is only available for the purchase of the actual passage tickets. Officers will be called upon to refund any balance remaining after these have been purchased. Such balance may not be used for incidental expenses such as the transport of heavy baggage.
- (6) These arrangements are liable to be suspended during times of shortage of accommodation via Suez.

If you wish to take advantage of these arrangements you should advise the Crown Agents at least six weeks before ..... which is the date upon which your leave will expire. This should be done on the return passage notification form herewith. (In the case of certain officers to whom the return passage notification form is not issued the Crown Agents should be advised by letter).

The attention of officers of Kenya, the Uganda, Nyasaland, Zanzibar, and Somaliland Protectorates and the Tanganyika Territory is drawn to the following extract from leave and passage rules approved by the Secretary of State:-

The passages of officers to East Africa are normally booked by the Crown Agents for the Colonies by a steamer whose date of sailing coincides as nearly as possible with the expiration of their leave. Where passages are booked by the Crown Agents, officers who are required to sail before the end of their leave will be permitted to carry forward the balance of their leave to a subsequent occasion, while those who sail after the end of their leave will be granted an extension of leave with full salary up to the day prior to their embarkation. Officers who make their own arrangements for their passages under paragraph 16 (f) of these regulations, must report the arrangements they propose to make to the Secretary of State, who will then decide whether any leave forgone may be carried forward, or whether any extension of leave that may be necessary shall be with or without salary. No salary will be granted for any such extension if the officer could conveniently have sailed by a steamer before the expiration of his leave.

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i.e. the arrangement described in para. (b) above.

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~~"When the sailings of steamers render it impossible for an officer on leave to embark from England on his return to East Africa on the day following that on which his leave in this country expires, he may travel by the first steamer which sails after the expiration of his leave in this country provided that the number of days of leave which he would lose by travelling by the steamer which sails immediately before the expiration of his leave in this country exceeds the number of days of leave which he gains by travelling by the later steamer. Such~~

additional

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i.e. the arrangement described in para 1 above.

additional leave must be taken without pay and cannot be reckoned as pensionable service. Officers must apply to the Colonial Office and obtain the approval of the Secretary of State in every case of the above description.

If an officer travels by the steamer sailing before his leave in this country has expired he may add the unexpired portion of his leave to the next period of leave which he takes. The concession last mentioned is granted as an act of grace owing to the infrequency of steamer sailings, and is liable to be revoked in the event of an improvement in the steamship service.

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NOTE. It has been decided as a temporary measure to extend to married officers of the East African Dependencies in receipt of not more than £700 per annum the assistance in respect of wives' and families' passages which is at present granted to East African officers drawing up to £500 per annum viz: ~~£500~~ the cost of passage to which the officer himself is entitled, and to grant ~~an allowance~~ to officers in receipt of more than £700 per annum ~~at the rate of £500~~ less the amount of salary in excess of £700.

CROWN AGENTS' GENERAL  
4, Millbank  
London W.C.





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J. J. [unclear]  
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19 Dec. 1921

Sir,

I am so to refer to  
the perultimate para. 9  
of your letter no. S. 8157  
of the 31st of March, 1921,  
and to request you to  
inform the C.C. of the  
Treas. that he has  
had under review the  
question of continuing  
after the 31st of March  
next the temporary  
concession whereby the  
allowances granted to  
officers

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officers of the E. African  
with salaries not exceeding £1000 a year  
- dependences towards  
the cost of their wives'  
& families' passages  
was extended to officers  
with salaries up to £1000  
a year.

2. The position in regard  
to the provision of passages  
to and from the E. African  
Dependencies has recently  
caused the S.G.S. no little  
anxiety as at one time  
it appeared that the  
direct service via Suez  
would be abandoned by  
the Shipping Companies,  
and

and that officers would  
perforce have to travel  
by the longer and more  
expensive Cape route.

It now ~~appears~~ <sup>is</sup> however  
<sup>possibly</sup> fairly certain that a  
monthly service via Suez

will be maintained and  
the Shipping Companies  
are only able to  
maintain the service by  
clearing higher fares  
than were in force <sup>in</sup>  
The fare <sup>to be</sup> charged  
Suez since the 2nd

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of Oct. 1921, are ~~£87~~ £87  
first class and £62  
second class as against  
£24 and £58 respectively  
before that date. The fares  
to Dar es Salaam are slightly  
higher. No change has been  
made recently in the fares  
by the Cape route, which  
~~were set at £110.0.0~~  
~~first class and £74.15.0~~  
~~second class to Mombasa~~  
are at present £87 first  
class and ~~£61~~ £59 second  
class, or Durban for Southampton  
& Durban and £23.12.6  
first class and £15.15.0  
second

second class from Durban  
to Mombasa.

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3. There appear to  
be <sup>early</sup> no prospect ~~at present~~  
of any relief in respect  
of these fares, and any  
reduction of the concessions  
at present in force would  
certainly cause hardship  
to the officers from whom  
the privileges were with-  
drawn. In these cir-  
cumstances Mr. Churchill trusts  
that the C. C. of the  
Treas. will agree to  
extend for a year  
from

from the 1st of April 1922

the management  
the concession whereby

half the cost of a passage

may be  
paid to officers

with similar arrangements

with a view to

in base

the

the cost of a passage

the limit of which

may exceed £700

I am to add that  
in the event of any wish to  
modify at a later date,  
if financial conditions permit,  
further proposals for raising  
or abolishing the £700 a year  
limit or complying with the concession,

but he is not  
present in a  
position to be  
of the greatest  
value

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Mr. R. R. R.

in ref. to your

letter of 15.12.22

and

in relation to

the cost of

officers of the

dependence

in the cost of

the cost of families

in order to return

management of a copy of

the draft as amended

in this Dept. in

enclosed, and the draft

if you that he approves

14.12.22

Mr. R. R. R.

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any  
as altered in 6133  
Mr. R. R. R.  
for a copy of  
Mr. R. R. R.

Checked  
21.12.22

approval of your issuing  
a circular in the terms  
of the enclosed copy indicated.

I am to request that  
revised  
14 copies of the circular  
as noted may be supplied  
to this Dept. when available.

CHAS. H. J. READ