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KENYA

FROM
INDIA

DATE

10TH JUNE 1921

S.O.
29088REC'D
11 JUN 21

FOR CIRCULATION -

SUBJECT

POSITION OF INDIANS

Encloses copies of telegrams received from Govt of India depreciating resolve of Indians not to pay Income Tax and reporting result of Round Table Conference.

Mr. Grindle

Sir H. Lambert

Sir H. Read 15/6/21

X Sir G. Fiddes 16

X Mr. Wood 17/6

Mr. Churchill

Previous Paper

G.N.
27830.

MINUTES

Sir H. Read

The Nairobi telegram is copied up I do not think that it is a violation of the telegram further mention through S.C. nothing for what we asked on 27830.

2nd. inst. I find, up to our letter of 27830, & say that while recognising the validity and force in law of the decree, he should make clear to high officials that the decree has no meaning and will be disregarded.

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MINUTES

MINUTES NOT TO BE WRITTEN
ON THIS SIDE.

As to the Georgia election, or
any other, nothing believe
had it said & also the
Governor's Committee on it -
as a peaceful election which
has got passed to S.O.

10/15/62

H.J.R.

5/21/62

If ever I am well &
prop to advance of getting
income from the V.P. for
the

Pr. 1672

1 agm. It will be necessary
however to go enough to
have 10. hundred
for their pleasure & pleasure.

Rev. 10/6.

as per

Any further communication on this subject should
be addressed to—

The Under-Secretary of State for India,
Industries Department,
India Office,
London, S.W. 1.

and the following reference quoted—

I. & O. 28.

Telephone—
Victoria 8920. I.O. Ext. No. _____

route—
Nottingham, London.



INDIA OFFICE.

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WHITEHALL,

C. LONDON S.W. 1.

29088 June 1921.

Ref. 11 JN21

Sir,

With reference to correspondence ending with

13913. your letter of 12th May, No. 23913/21, regarding the position of Indians in Kenya, I am directed by the Secretary of State for India to transmit, for the information of the Secretary of State for the Colonies, copy of a telegram from the Viceroy repeating a telegram which has been despatched to Mr. Jeevanjee.

From Viceroy, Copy of the previous telegram which is referred
5th May to in the Viceroy's telegram is also enclosed.
1921.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

The Under-Secretary of State,
Colonial Office.

From Viceroy, Commerce Department, 27th May 1921.

L & O. 28

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From Viceroy, Commerce Department, 18th May 1921.

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J. & P. 3330/21

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