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FROM
SMUTS GENERAL.

DATE
21st JULY.

Full Deputation:-

SUBJECT

IRVING

DEPUTATION.

- Mr.
- Mr.
- Mr.
- Mr. Grindle
- Sir H. Lambert
- Sir H. Road
- Sir G. Fiddes
- Mr. Wood
- Mr. Churchill

Enclosed copy tel. concerning proposal the deputation should interview him and asks for information as to personnel and aims of.

Previous Paper

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Agd. for Record

Agd. 21 July 1921

Subsequent Paper

W. H. ...
Ref. to ...
Indian delegation from Africa.

This is an "Indian Congress
delegation" ...
that Mr. Jeyaraj & Mr. Varma
are coming, but apart from
this there is no official info. as
to personnel.

Mr. Jeyaraj is one of the leading
S. of. Indians: a man of wealth
but little education: once a
member of the Reg. Council.

Mr. Varma - I do not know about

The object is to discuss with
S. of. Indian policy in S. of.

before final decisions are taken
~~the Reg. Council~~ ^{The telegram received} from

the Indian Congress in Bombay

dated 5 July refers to

'racial discrimination' and a

standing request to the British

Empire - the tel. also says
that Indians claim equality of
status immediately within the
Empire as British citizens.

The representation or delegation is
primarily one dealing with
S. Af. - & there is no obvious
authority for them to speak on
behalf of Indians in S. Africa -
& I shd. have thought that Gen. Smuts
might well refrain from suing them.

accf

12.7.22

I agree ^{we can add no}
the information. W.G. 28.7.22

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deed
12.7.24

Jaques & Co. Ltd.
this information. 28.22.72

Savoy Hotel,
LONDON, W.C.2.
37463
REC^d 21st July 1991
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Dear Sir Henry Lambert,

I annex for your information a telegram which has been received by General Smuts concerning a proposal from the East Africa Indian Delegation that they should interview him on their arrival here.

Will you please give me what information you can about the personnel and aims of this Delegation.

Yours sincerely,

George Mackenzie

Henry Lambert, K.C.M.G., C.B.,
Colonial Office,
S.W.1.

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DE PARISS GRAND HOTEL 17444 25 19 17 H 30.

GENERAL SMUTS CARE COLONIAL OFFICE LONDON,

EAST AFRICA INDIAN DELEGATION REACHING LONDON THROUGH
ANXIOUS TO INTERVIEW KINDLY INFORM CARE CANNON STREET
HOTEL WHEN CONVENIENT.

JEEHANJEE. GRANOTED.

for Sir Henry Lambert's signature.

Downing Street,

25 July, 1921.

DRAFT.

Brebner, Esq.

Dear Mr. Brebner,

The East African Indian Delegation to which you refer in your letter of the 21st consists, I am told, of Mr. Jeewanjee and Mr. Varma, but apart from this we do not apparently know anything about the personnel.

Mr. Jeewanjee is one of the leading East African Indians, a wealthy man who was at one time a member of the Legislative Council. Of the other apparently nothing is known.

The purpose of the deputation is to discuss with the Secretary of State Indian policy in

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Mr. Churchill.

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(Signed) H. LAWRENCE

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