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RE 12 MAY 23

DATE

10th MAY 1923.

CONYNDON, SIR R.

SUBJECT

POSITION OF INDIANS. DELEGATION.
EXPENSES OF MR P. GREEN.

Requests that payment of passage and allowance be made to MR Green, and a similar concession granted to an Indian delegate, the latter being nominated by MR Desai.

CIRCULATION :-

Mr. ~~Conyndon~~
Mr.
Mr.

Asst. U.S. of S.

Sir H. Road

17/5/23

Asst. U.S. of S.

Asst. U.S. of S. 16-5-23

Secretary of State

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In R. Conyndon spoke to you before writing this official letter. Mr. Green has not raised the matter with C.O., but Mr. Selwone wrote officially to Sir R. Conyndon on this subject - & he backed up his official letter with a private communication.

Supt. approval is set on Govt 12673/23 extends to passages, railway fares & subsistence allowance (25/- a night) in England for the Surgeon & the Indian delegate. The cost of this to Kenya is in itself most negligible: a return 1st class passage

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is now about £170 &
we are spending Kennedy's
money for the 8 paid
delegates at the rate of
£70 a week while
the delegates are over here.
In Riddington's proposal
involve, regarding
another £350 or so in
payments & another
£17.10 a week.

We saw recently in
one of the local papers
that £20 (1) only had
been raised for the Green's
expenses.

As to the use of the Green's
exp. in connection to

on that
page we expect
is being raised &
the members of the
the delegation - cost,
of course, of the passage
& subsistence, but as
to a standing committee.

The "certain question"
we, I understand, the
possibility that the
National Party may
raise in the House
the issue of the Green's
expenses: whether
this really matters
is for the concern of
the Lgb. & Parliament.

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ON THIS SIDE.

U.S. It will perhaps cause
the position of the Labour 163
Party v. Mr. Green (whose
pro-European & anti-Brexit
views cannot, of course, be
related to the Labour
Party) if they could say,
"well although we do not
like your views, we have
at least got your
good expenses" - so
far that God to anticipate
this & pay expenses
unasked, might take
the wind out of their
sails. But it all
seems very doubtful -
& the facts remain that
Mr. Green was forced on
to the delegation & that
the Gov. or Rev. or
definitely refused to
pay postage & subsistence
& other expenses.

If they could help in
object they will not
to help but from which
they get the most profit
or not.

End

As the Dept. for
financial side is -
notably, I think - a matter
of importance we will
be discussing - during

restructuring unfortunally
 appears right & left
 The Governor perhaps rather
 overlooks these details
 of finance which are,
 however, of primary
 importance in the administra-
 tion of the Colony: but
 it may be that the threat
 of the Labour Party
 facing the Government is the
 real issue

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The heavy front is from us, but
 I think the position of expediency is
 more immediate importance, the
 prospect of getting a settlement and
 of getting a settlement early date
 very important in the immediate
 saying the same thing more or less
 get made. I do not suggest that
 price of shipping & passage, but it
 may be a factor in the settlement
 Commission settlement will be affected
 by the way he is treated financially
 He has been recognised with a
 admission to the meetings: I think he is
 a recognized party.

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Yes - we had better recognize him fully
 at once. If we refused now, we shall
 probably have to give way eventually.
 H. J. R. 10/1/23

Mr. [unclear]
 In this case we are
 ? to prepare.
 H. J. R. 10/1/23

I agree we cannot retreat
 but Green differentially from
 4th Delaware through Wood, Archer
 & others, or the Indian delegate
 at once
 H. J. R. 10/1/23

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Manor House,

Clenfield,

Horndean,

Hants.

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10th May, 1923.

Sir,

I have the honour to state that I have had a letter from the Rt. Hon. Lord Delamere, leader of the European Delegation upon the Indian question, with reference to the payment by Government of the passage and allowance at the accepted rate to Mr. P. Green who has come to England as representative of the Democratic League of Kenya. Lord Delamere recommends that, in view of certain questions which are likely to arise, these payments should be made to Mr. Green.

I must state that before I left Kenya I informed the Democratic League that any representative sent home by that body could not be considered to be an official delegate, and that I was therefore unable to provide him with either his passage or the allowance: and I must add that I rather resent pressure of this nature being brought to bear at this moment. Moreover, if a fifth delegate is to be recognised and paid in respect of the European Delegation, a similar privilege should be accorded to the Indian delegation from Kenya.

In view of the possibilities to which I have referred, and in view of Lord Delamere's opinion, I now recommend that the passages home and back and the subsistence allowance be paid both to Mr. Green and to an Indian delegate (whose name should be suggested by Mr. Desai) from Colonial funds; and

The Under Secretary of State for the Colonies,
Downing Street,
S. W.

further that both the European and the Indian delegations
be informed accordingly without loss of time.

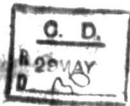
I am, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

R. T. Compton

GOVERNOR.

Crossed Kenya



Ans. 29306 and

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Mr. A. Desai,
of Indian Overseas Assoc.

31 May 1923

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Mr. Parkinson 2895/14

Mr. Bottomley 28

Mr.

Mr. Davis

Sir G. Grindle.

Sir H. Read.

Sir J. Masterton Smith.

Mr. Ormsby Gore.

Duke of Devonshire.

Copy to Sir R. Longden 3/5/23
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I am etc. to inform

that it has been

decided that the

Govt of Kenya should pay

passage expenses etc.

to a ~~French~~ ^{British} ~~British~~ ^{British}

European Delegation,

Mr. Percy Green, in

connection with the

visit of the delegation

from Kenya to this

country to discuss

the question of the status of
Indians in the Colony;

(2) to the effect of the
Indian Delegation from Kenya
wish to avail themselves
of the offer, the S. G. will
be glad to arrange for
certain privileges to be
accorded to a fifth
Indian Delegation. The
privileges in question
are -

1. Passes within passage
from Mombasa to England.

2. Passes on way fare between
Mombasa & the ports of arrival
& departure.

3. Passes on allowance of 25/-
per day from the date of arrival
in England & the date of
departure of the first direct
steamer to the Colonies.
and included.

(Signed) H. J. READ

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M. of Kenya for
at ref. C.O. 111
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Mr. Parkin 2873/23

Mr. Hudson by 28/5

Mr.

Mr. Davis

Sir G. Grindle.

Sir H. Read.

Sir J. Masterton Smith

Mr. Ormsby Gore.

Duke of Devonshire.

London and
the ports of
arrival
& departure,
and

C. J. G. 11 June 1923

3 May 1923

I am etc. to ack. con

receipt of your letter
in 10: of May &

to inf. you that the
appreciation of 2nd class

within passage from

Mombasa to this
is class within fare between
Mombasa & the ports of arrival
& departure, and

allowance of 25/-

a night in this
country will be paid

by the Govt. of Mysore ~~on behalf~~ for
of ~~the~~ Green as for ~~the~~
the four members of the
European delegation to whom
these privileges were
originally granted.

(1) Mr. Desai was glad to see
that Mr. Desai had advanced
readily & request him
to certify to Green as
the Minister arrived at.

(2) A copy of a letter which
has been sent to Mr. Desai.

Mr. A. Desai is
enclosed for your info.

(3) Copies of this correspondence
are being forwarded
to Mr. Desai & Mr. Desai
of Mysore.

(Signed) H J READ

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By Mr. T. A. Green ~~on behalf~~ for
of ~~the~~ Green as for ~~the~~
on four members of the
European delegation to whom
these privileges were
originally granted.

(2) Mr. Green will be glad if you
will inform Lord Soderman
accordingly & request him
to advise Mr. Green of
the date when he arrived at.

(3) A copy of a letter which
has been sent to Mr.

Mr. A. De Saxe is
enclosed for your information.

Mr. Green of this country
is now in London
on the 1st day
of the month.

(Signed) H J READ