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## Position of Indians

has recd his report & plan to press for grant of franchise, larger Indian representation, equal treatment, segregation & stop discrimination. Deputations to go out soon. C.N. court's facilities will be granted him.

Mr. G. F. Dwyer by B. Hankey - Settlement

I wd absolutely insist this amongst of the Indian issues segregation, control matters, etc. except - refer to CO letter 8 Dec on 8788015 - say that no decisions will be taken as regards general Indian policy in P.C.A. pending the return of Mr. S.P. from India - & that no useful purpose is served by saying nothing about the Indian status of the question & that they will know what the report of the economic committee does not purport to express the views

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January 8th.

1920.

The Under Secretary of State,  
Colonial Office, S.W.1.

Dear Sir

In continuation of my letter of the 24th ultimo, and as an indication of the extent to which public opinion amongst Indians in East Africa is affected by the attitude of various European bodies in the East Africa Protectorate, my Association learns that on the 15th and 16th November last, the second session of the East Africa Indian National Congress was held at Nairobi, at which delegates were present from all the East African territories. My Association has received telegrams from the British East Africa Indian Association at Mombasa, asking my Association to press for the granting of the franchise bigger Indian representation and equal treatment. My Association's attention is called to certain contemplated legislation of an objectionable character, dealing more especially with segregation and Shop Hours. The Mombasa Association, having regard to the fact that the Economic Commission has formally advised the prohibition of Indian immigration into East Africa, fears acceptance by the

authorities of such a policy. My Association has further received the following telegram from Mr. C. F. Andrews, who, though on a special mission to South Africa on behalf of the Indian Imperial Citizenship Association of Bombay, has been specially asked to stay some time in East Africa to investigate the Indian situation:

"East African Indian situation now most critically dangerous because united attempt made by European Association to close door against future immigration and stop Indian franchise. Chief reason stated that Africans morally deteriorate through Indian contact, but advance under Christian Western civilisation. Government Economic Commission report recently published takes same attitude mentioning specially Indian moral depravity and improving South African ~~Exclusion~~ policy. Intense indignation expressed here by Indian Congress gathering which was remarkable for its weight and numbers."

My Association learns that upon the advice of Mr. Andrews the local Congress has decided to abandon any claim for preferential treatment, subject, however, to the complete continuance of all existing rights and absolutely ~~on~~ equal treatment whether legislative or administrative. In order to place its views more effectively before H. M. Government, the Congress, representing the various East African territories, is shortly sending an influential deputation to this country. My Association ventures to hope that H. M. Government will use its best endeavours to insure that all facilities are given for the departure of this deputation, and that no decisions would be taken by H. M. Government until they have received the views of this deputation.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

Hon. Secretary.

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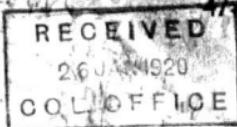
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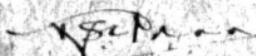
I beg to acknowledge with thanks the receipt of your letter No. 1588/1920 of the 23rd instant, relative to questions affecting the Indian Community in British East Africa.

Your letter will in due course be placed before the Committee of my Association.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

  
Hon. Secretary,

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DRAFT.

Downing Street,

23 January, 1920.

To Hon. Secretary,

INDIAN OVERSEAS ASSOCIATION.

MINUTE.

Sir,

I am directed to acknowledge

Mr. Parkinson, 1/1, 1.20

the receipt of your letter of the 8th  
January relating to questions affecting  
the Indian community in B.E.A., and to  
refer you to the letter from this Dept.  
No. 67820 of the 8th of Dec. last on  
the same subject.

2. No decisions will be taken  
in regard to the general policy to be  
adopted by the Govt. of the E.A.P. in  
relation of the Indian community  
pending the return of the S. of S. for  
the Colonies from Egypt; and no useful  
purpose would be served by discussing  
now

Mr. Parkinson, 1/1, 1.20

Mr. G. G. G.

Mr. H. Langbaine

Mr. H. Reid

Miss A. J. D.

Miss M. M.

Mr. R. C. P.

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Downing Street,

January, 1920.

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Mr. Parkinson, C. 190

Mr. [Signature] 19.1.20/

Mr.

Mr. Grindles

Sir H. Lambert

Sir H. Read

Sir H. Fildes From London Dec 26 Nov

Sir H. Rivers

Lord Milner 2nd Dec 1920

Indians Overseas Asscn.

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Sir E. Northey 19 Jan.

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Sir,

With ref. to my conf. despatch of the 26th of Nov. last, relating to Indian policy in E.A., I have the honour to transmit to you, for your information, a copy of corres. with the Indians Overseas Asscn. in London and with the I. O.

2. As Sir Edward Northey is now in this country I have taken the opportunity of ascertaining his general views on the questions raised in the corres. which I forwarded in my despatch under reference. A copy of Sir Edward Northey's letter on the subject is enclosed, but I should be glad

glad to receive from yourself also  
the observations and the information  
asked for in that despatch.

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~~J. P. A. W.~~

I have etc.,