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Bishop of
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Dioceses of Nombasa & Uganda

Sends Commis from Bishops submitting proposals for modification of present boundaries of their respective dioceses. Inquires whether this would necessitate the revocation of warrant of 2 May 1908, & issue of new warrant under Sect 2 of Jerusalem Act (1898)

Mr Harris
I believe that you dealt with Bishops. I see no objection to the proposed modification from a political point of view

H. J. R.
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Mr Kebley

I think a new warrant (in similar format instrument) is necessary.

The present warrant (in vol here-with) is so worded as to make the dioceses coterminous with the Protectorates

The new proposal is to include a portion of the E. Africa Protectorate (Nyanza Province)

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in the Uganda Diocese - with a view for all
practical purposes it seems not to be
connected in spite of the existing warrant.

The only alternative to a warrant seems
to be some formal agreement, like those which
are sometimes made in this country for transferring
part of one parish to another.

Shall we get Mr Lee to come over & talk about
this from the latter point of view?

CAH
13 June

Mr Harris

The lands vest under the Act in assigned
by the Majesty and cannot be settled
by agreement between the Bishops, so
I think that a new warrant is
clearly required

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So reply CAH 15 June
at once

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THE SANCTUARY,
WESTMINSTER, S.W.

30. May 1912.

Sir Africa.

Dioceses of Mombasa & Uganda

The Bishops who are invested with episcopal authority in the above-named Dioceses are desirous of effecting an alteration of their respective boundaries.

The details of their proposals are set out in the two letters and accompanying plan and description which are sent herewith.

The present boundaries of the two Dioceses are fixed by a Warrant, 2 May 1903 issued by His late Majesty King Edward under the Jerusalem Act (5 Vict. c. 6). The Archbishop of Canterbury desires to be informed if these ^{proposed} changes will necessitate the revocation of the Warrant referred to, so far as it relates to Mombasa & Uganda - & the issue of a new Warrant under the second section of the Act. I am Sir

Your most obedient servant,
J. H. Kee

The Right Hon.
Sir Edward Grey Bart
Foreign Office
Whitehall S.W.

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on tour: ~~Mombasa~~

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March 23rd 1912

Bishopsbourne,

Nairobi. B. E. A.

My dear Lord Archbishop,

I have the pleasure to send to Your Grace the enclosed letter from Bishop Willis which sums up our views on the boundary question relating to the Mombasa and Uganda dioceses. I am able to heartily endorse all that he has written, and look forward to Your Grace's final sanction in the matter.

and remain

Your Grace's most Obedient Servant,

W. G. Mombasa

As From

Kampala

Uganda

March 9 - 1912

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31 MAY '12

Dear Lord Archbishop,

I have now had an opportunity of talking over with Bishop Peel the question of the boundaries between the two Dioceses; and am thankful to say that, thanks to the most generous way that in which he met my own wishes in the matter we were able at once to arrive at an arrangement not only satisfactory to both parties, but which has every prospect of affording a permanent solution of the question.

Your Grace will remember that, according to the Mandate issued in 1903, the two Provinces, known now as the Nyanza and the Maiwasha Provinces, which originally formed the eastern part of the Uganda Protectorate and were then passed over to the East Africa Protectorate, were made part of the Mombasa Diocese. In practice, however, they have always been administered as part of the Uganda Diocese.

The present suggestion is that the whole of the Maiwasha Province, and that part of the Nyanza Province which is occupied by European settlers, should permanently form part of the Mombasa Diocese; but that that part of the Nyanza Province which is included in the Native Reserves should be within the Uganda Diocese.

In coming to this decision, which was reached independently, we were naturally influenced by personal consideration of my own existing relationship to Kavirondo. But there are other reasons more permanent in their character. The Protectorate boundaries might at any time be altered, as by an amalgamation of the two Protectorates; but the dividing line between the land reserved for natives in the Lake districts, and land suitable for European colonization, is practically unalterable: the unoccupied highlands falling to the white settlers, and the Native Reserves being already too thickly populated to admit of settlers extending further westward. East and West of this line the problems are almost entirely different.

This proposed boundary would have the further advantage of forming the eastern boundary of a third Diocese, lying between this and the Nile, whenever the growth of the work renders this necessary.

I enclose a sketch map showing the suggested boundary, and also a detailed note of the line of demarcation. The present proposal is practically that suggested by Bishop Tucker last year, in conference with Bishop Le-Fi, but modified so as to include the whole of the European land, with the exception of the township of Kisumu, which lies in the heart of the Native Reserves, within the Mombasa Diocese.

I would add that I have had no opportunity of formally consulting the C. M. S. since seeing Bishop Peel, but if your Grace finds that, so far as their work is concerned the proposed division is regarded as satisfactory, personally I shall be very glad if your Grace will give formal sanction to the proposed division.

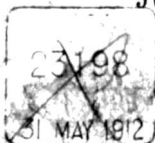
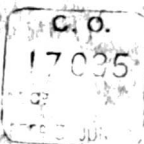
I am sending this letter to Bishop Peel, who will enclose it in his letter on the same subject.

I am,

Your Grace's most obedient servant,

J. J. Willis.

Bishop of Uganda



Eastern Boundaries of

Native Reserves in Nyanza Province - E. E. Africa.

From the source of the Suam River the boundary follows the higher slopes of ELGON to a point where the third stream, (the Tambul?) shown flowing from Elgon leaves the mountain thence along this stream to its junction with the NZOIA RIVER thence following down the Nzoia River to the point where the SERGOT RIVER enters it: thence up the Sergot River to a point north-west of Farm No 231: thence along the western boundaries of the following Farms, - 231, 232, 103, 104, 94, 85, 89, 70, 71, 73, 72, 72a, 105 and 106: thence to Donyo Lessos, otherwise Kongoni Hill: thence by a line in direction of Ketparak Hill to the Kapshabegwa River: thence by that River to the north-west corner of Farm No 1932: thence by the northerly boundary of Farm No 1371 to the Kirondu River: thence by the Kirondu and Kundas Rivers to the junction with the Ain photo River, also known as Sangari: thence down the river to the Railway line: thence following down the line to mile 560: thence in a direct line to the Nyantu River, then following up the Nyantu River to its junction with the Tugonon River: thence along the Tugonon River to the Lumbwa-Kericho Road: thence along this road to Kericho: thence by the eastern boundary of the BURET and SOTIK Reserves on to the Anala River.

The above, kindly suggested by the Provincial Commissioner of the Nyanza Province, defines the eastern boundaries of the Native Reserves lying within the Nyanza Province, viz, North Kavirondo, Kisumu District, South Kavirondo including Kisii, Vavati, Lumbwa, Buret, and Sotik Reserves.

The communication herewith inclosed, which has been received at the Foreign Office, but which appears to be destined for the Colonial Office is transmitted with the compliments of the Under-Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs.

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J. Hugh Lindsay

19 June 12

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Ans'd 23/3/9

Sir

I am directed by

Mr. Secretary Statecraft to

acknowledge the receipt of

your letter to the Foreign Office

of the 30th ultimo respecting

the proposed alterations of the

Boundaries of the District

of Mombasa and Uganda

I In reply I am to request

you to inform the Archbishop

of Canterbury that Mr

Statecraft is advised that

in order to give effect to

MINUTE.

Mr. Lubell 18 June 1912

Mr. Fisher 18

Mr. ~~Phillips~~ 18

Sir H. Jast.

Sir J. Anderson.

Lord Emmoth

Mr. Harcourt.

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proposed changes it
will be necessary to refer
to Royal Warrant of 21st May
1923, so far as it relates
to Mombasa & Uganda
& to give a new Warrant.

3. Should His Grace
decide to sanction the
proposed changes, it
would be convenient if
the draft could be supplied
with the draft of an
amending Royal Warrant
setting out the ^{suggested} new
boundaries.

4. The plan enclosed
in your letter is returned
herewith.

This is really W. Kass
business, & it is not
for ~~of~~ the C.O. to define
special jurisdiction
CH