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AGRICULTURAL INSTRUCTION
KISII COUNTRY

States that it will be necessary to employ permanently one reliable headman and at least six men as general assistants to the Agricultural Instructor. Cost estd at £72 p.a. can be met from surplus funds. Trusts sanction will be given. Asks that in the event of any surplus revenue being realised it may be placed to the credit of the farm to be expended in an extension of operations.

Sir G. Fiddes.

This is a good scheme.
approve of the farm's proposals?

H. J. S.
13/4/13

Mr Read What does he mean by 'surplus funds' of the Kisii fund? Is it the Reserve or surplus? In the latter letter, and to our return to house (34523) there should be a surplus of at least £2,000.
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Sir G. Fiddes.

I noticed the phrase, but I think that there can be no doubt that he means surplus of the Kisii fund. The last para seems to show that he is summing the whole thing as separate etc.
H. J. S.
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GOVERNMENT HOUSE
NAIROBI.

BRITISH EAST AFRICA.

April 8th, 1913.

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ST AFRICA PROTECTORATE.

No. 243.

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Sir,

I have the honour to refer to paragraph 4(b) of my despatch No. 700 of the 5th of October 1912 respecting the appointment of an Agricultural Instructor in the Kisii country.

2. As I have already reported, the Instructor is now engaged in carrying out the scheme, but it has been pointed out that for the more efficient performance of his duties it will be necessary to employ permanently one reliable headman and at least six men as general assistants. The estimated expenditure thereby incurred is Rs. 1,080 or £72 per annum and can be met from surplus funds. I have no doubt that the benefits which will be gained by a more thorough supervision and more complete continuity of the work will more than repay the outlay and I trust that you will accord your sanction to this proposal.

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE
LEWIS HARCOURT, P.C., M.P.,
SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES,
DOWNING STREET, LONDON, S.W.

proposal, in the first instance for one year.

3. In this connection I desire to bring to your notice the fact that Mr. Ainsworth anticipates that within the first twelve months the crops obtained from the farm will produce no inconsiderable amount of revenue. Part of the seed will be set aside for distribution amongst the natives and the remainder it is proposed to sell. It is hoped that the proceeds accruing from the sale of this surplus in the first year may be sufficient to meet the additional expenditure now asked for, and it may well happen that the farm will eventually be able to pay its way under every head, besides having been instrumental in instructing natives in the more civilized methods of agriculture. If these expectations are realized, I have the honour to ask that any surplus revenue may be placed to the credit of the farm to be expended in an extension of operations.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your humble, obedient servant,

A. Lowry, B. Esq.

GOVERNOR.

C.D.
MAY

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19 May 1913

Ans'd 24/5/13

Sir,

(16054)

I have etc to acknowledge the receipt of your despatch No. 243 of the 8th of April, and to inform you that I approve of your proposal for the appointment of a headman and six men to assist the Agricultural Instructor in the Kisi country.

2. With reference to the statement in the second para of your despatch that the requisite expenses can be met from surplus funds, I assume that the surplus of the Kisi Fund, and not General Revenue is

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M. C. Bellfield Sec. Secy.

MINUTE.

- Mr. Dronia 16.5.13
- Mr. Bottomley 16.5.13
- Mr. G. Fiddes.
- Mr. H. Just.
- Mr. J. Anderson.
- Mr. Emmott.
- Mr. Harcourt.