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ILLNESS OF GOVERNOR

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14th August

Confirms his telegram reporting illness of Governor and his assumption of Govt. Encloses M.O's report on Mr. Balfield's illness.

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Mr. G. Zedler

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EAST AFRICA PROTECTORATE

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,  
NAIROBI,  
BRITISH EAST AFRICA.

No. 675

27th August 1913.

Sir,

I have the honour to confirm my telegram No. 187 of yesterday's date as follows:-

*Gov*  
*29856*

"Governor certified as unable to attend to the duties of his office owing to severe attack of subtertian malaria with heart complications. At Governor's request am taking oaths tomorrow as Officer Administering Government under Section XV Order in Council 1906. Bowring."

2. I have now the honour to enclose a report on Mr Belfield's health which was handed to me by Dr Gilks the Medical Officer in attendance.

3. Mr Belfield instructed me, through his Private Secretary, to take over the administration of the Government of the Protectorate during his incapacity and, there being no Judge of the High Court who was able to attend, the prescribed oaths were accordingly administered to me this morning by the Treasurer in the presence of the senior officials who were in Nairobi.

I have the honour to be,  
Sir,  
Your humble, obedient servant,

ACTING GOVERNOR.

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE

LEWIS HARCOURT, P.C., M.P.,

SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES,

DOWNING STREET, LONDON, S.W.

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In Dec. 1913 No. 673 of 27-8-1913

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,  
BRITISH EAST AFRICA.

26. 8. 13

I hereby certify that His Excellency the Governor is suffering from a severe attack of subtertian malaria which is seriously affecting his heart.

His Excellency is quite unable to attend to business & will be unable for at least a fortnight to undertake the duties of his office.

John L. Gilks  
med. off.