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Sorry legislation

Sends dep. from Paris reporting that French feel agree to send delegates to proposed International Convention in London but think that labours of Commission might be extended to protection of elephant and also of rhinoceros not only in Africa but in other parts of the world

Mr. G. Zeller

ask say that if the scope of the Convention is enlarged so as to include the question of the protection of elephants + rhinos throughout the world Mr. Harcourt fears that it will be indefinitely postponed on pending the collection of info from these countries + that he would therefore prefer that the discussions should be limited to Africa - say that it is assumed that the F.O. will now communicate with the other countries concerned interested in Africa?

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H. J. R.
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If any further communication on this subject, please quote

No. *56116/13*
and address:
The Under-Secretary of State,
Foreign Office,
London.



Immediate

The Under-Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs presents
his compliments to the Under-Secretary of State for the
Colonies and, by direction of the Secretary
of State, transmits herewith ~~copy of the under-mentioned~~
~~paper~~ for his observations, a copy of a despatch from

Foreign Office,
December 15, 1913.

Reference to previous letter:
Colonial Office 39762/13. November 28 *

Description of Inclosure.

Name and Date.	Subject.
Mr J. Bertie (Paris) dated December 11. respecting the	Protection of Elephants - proposed conference.

* No

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N° 60 Africa.



Paris,

December 11 1913.

Sir:-

I have the honour to acquaint you that the Minister for Foreign Affairs, replying to the communication which I addressed to His Excellency's predecessor under the instructions conveyed to me by your despatch N° 80 Africa of the 19th ultimo (51974/13), informs me that the French Government willingly agree to send delegates to an International Commission to meet shortly in London in order to examine the administrative measures which the various Governments concerned might take in common, but without contracting engagements of an international character, for the protection of elephants in Africa.

M. Doumergue however in apprising me of this decision, expresses the opinion that the programme of the labours of the Commission ought to be extended to the protection of elephants, and also of rhinoceros, not only in Africa but also in ^{the} other parts of the world in which these two species now exist.

I have the honour to be with great truth and respect,

etc Sir,
Your most obedient, humble servant,

The Right Honourable

Sir Edward Grey Baronet K.C. K.P. *(Signed) Francis Bertie*

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20 December 1918.

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The U.S.S.
FO

Chief Clerk

Sir,

I am directed ~~to~~
acknowledge the receipt of your
letter of the 15th of Dec^r, ~~to the U.S.S.~~,
~~and to inform you that forwarding~~
a copy of a despatch from
Sir Francis Bertie on the
subject of the proposed
commission to consider
the question of the protection
of elephants and ^{also} rhinoceros
in Africa.

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suggestion of the French govt.
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