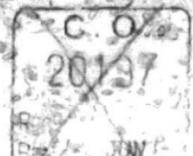




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June 12th 1912.

Dear Sir,

RE. Natives CONCESSION BRITISH EAST AFRICA

I have been absent from town for some considerable time and I hope you will find that considerable progress has been made in the affairs of our Native territories. I am now in charge of Central and Northern Rhodesia and I would be glad if you would give me some information as to what you could give my colleague Mr. L. L. L. [unclear] definite information regarding Native claims in the area of our former [unclear].

In the above I referred to the letter from your Secretary of State dated 2nd May 1912 in which he asked for information concerning the Native claims now returned to us. In his answer my colleague Mr. L. L. L. [unclear] states that it is his opinion that we should continue to negotiate with the natives to secure the settlement of all Native claims.

It is true that your letter of November 1st which conveyed to us that in the opinion of us Selecting Native Chiefs the development of the Native areas given over to us may be substantiated, but I would give no undertaking to do so. It is difficult to say what may happen in such a case. It seems to me a reasonable course of action to retain an area where the Natives in conditionally available to us.

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that your Representative in British East Africa are in a position to point out to us at least 2,000 acres of suitable and unoccupied out of the 200,000 acres of the above concessions in order to meet our commercial requirements. We would appreciate your opinion as to the specific view to be taken in regard to the relief areas with your Department. If it is considered undesirable to have no alternative than to offer compensation in connection with a portion of the land, therefore, you will be pleased to advise your Representative to make a full set and copy of these five letters and if it is deemed preferable, should there be need of it, to take the trouble of sending the original letters to your representative, so that he may forward our views upon the subject to you. As we are particularly anxious that the action of the Government be extremely liberal at until now you have been of the opinion that largely from information received from our Consul General in Zanzibar, that the approximate amount of land required for relief from debt is about one-half acre.

Very truly yours,  
John J. Sheriffs  
U.S. Consul General  
Zanzibar  
July 10, 1890.

At: LAMBERT STREET, NEW STATE,  
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The Lord Waleran

20 June 1913

My Lord,

I am directed by Mr Secretary ~~Starcourt~~

to thank you for the receipt of your letter of the 1<sup>st</sup> instant.

1. As regards the

above suggestion concerning

the giving of a concession

to you will be sent to the

Government of the East Africa

Intendatate.

2. I am to suggest

to have your suggestion followed up and you may be asked to

to consult with the local

authorities of the

Government of the

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