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a previous paper.

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Concession to E Afr Syndicate

" You tel 21 Jan. unable to reply by  
 tel. [See you dep. 2 Jan.]

The tele is optional & not wanted

If Col. Miller is in your letter or  
 1962 that he first telephoned that  
 he is unable to give a reply by  
 telegram

(M) 26/1/04 above

To Read

Col. Miller called - when you  
 were engaged on a committee - & left  
 the unansw'd letter & telegram for the  
 Syndicate, from whom I got it.  
 This is very bad for us to do, as their  
 plan for raising the money they  
 want to carry on with will fall  
 through.

Si H. Belfield's purpose for large

holdings is not altogether new to us,  
but the Syndicate's expense &  
losses demand's attention to get rid of  
his land which all holdings is evidence  
against the holding.

Col. Waller's idea is now, to have  
the Govt. to approve, to form a  
new land Co. which will take over  
the estate & its debtors etc. I  
presume, leave the Syndicate in  
existence to carry on its present  
operation.

There is to be a Company's meeting  
tomorrow, and Col. V. will say that he  
has given the Co. to cable out to the  
Govt. to send an early answer & that we  
are fully informed as to the Syndicate's  
wishes. I told him I could assure the  
that a cable would receipt be sent.

However

? Let. & for

(On my behalf & truly to  
my satisfaction of 2 Jan - inc'd. Syndicate  
have to early decision.) - & let Col. V.  
& Mr. know that we  
have done to

12/3/14

at once  
A. J. R.  
3/11/14

## EAST AFRICA SYNDICATE, LIMITED.

19, St. Swithin's Lane,

London, E.C.,

7th March, 1914.

Dear Sir,

In a letter I received on the 4th instant from Mr. J.A. Hill, he refers to the land grant, and writes:-

"I had a long conversation with his Excellency the Governor on the subject of the Syndicate Land Grant. His Excellency assured me that he had no intention of forcing matters, although he was somewhat upset at the Bovril negotiations falling through. He mentioned the fact that you were pressing for replies by cable, but that the circumstances did not warrant any particular haste, and that for the sake of the country as a whole, he expressed the opinion that a large tract of land capitalised and properly worked by an influential firm in the stock interests, would represent the backbone of the country, and was desirable in every way".

I would remind you that our last communications with the Colonial Office on the subject of the grant were so long ago as the 19th November, or only

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ten days short of four months, and we have not yet had a reply.

I need not recall to you the circumstances under which the Bowril negotiations fell through. It is highly improbable that this failure would have occurred had the Syndicate's proposition for finding £80,000 new capital been approved when first put before His Excellency through the Colonial Office.

I am, etc.,

(Sd.) J.COLTMAN,  
Secretary  
FOR THE EAST AFRICA SYNDICATE,  
LIMITED.

Col. C.H. Villiers,  
Roydon Hall,  
Tonbridge.

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TELEGRAM.

The Governor of the East Africa Protectorate  
to the Secretary of State for the Colonies.

(Received, Colonial Office, 2.11 p.m. 24th January,  
1914.)

No. 20. Your telegram 21st January unable  
to reply by telegram [see] your despatch 2 January.

BELFIELD.

# EASTERN TELEGRAPH COMPANY, LIMITED.

## LONDON STATIONS.

### ELECTRA HOUSE

1, FINSBURY PAVEMENT, E.C. 2. 260, WEST END  
10, BROAD STREET, E.C. 2. 260, WEST END  
8, LEADENHALL STREET, E.C. 2. 260, WEST END  
29, MINDINGLAND, E.C. 2. 260, WEST END  
26, MARK LANE, E.C. 2. 260, WEST END

WESTMINSTER OFFICE

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ISSUED FROM  
42, PARLIAMENT  
STREET.

2 AM.

The following is the list of Recipients:

From J. V. Robbie

Forwarded

No. 1

to the

Bonds

of United 2 Grams 10/-

Chapeltown

To the 21 Bar unable to  
receive required ticket to reg  
by telegram as far as possible  
Reply 1st stagehouse "as tenanted"  
Belfield

Recd to 2. 11 Bar

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REPLIES SHOULD BE ORDERED Via Eastern

Doubtless you are aware of the fact that repeated See Rule Book

and frequent repetition of a telegram is a waste of money. It is therefore recommended that you do not repeat a telegram unless it is absolutely necessary.

For further information see page 10.

Gov. 2994/1914  
S.A.R.  
*[Signature]*

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27 January 1914

Sir,

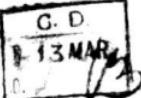
With reference to the

[*8*  
1783]

letter from His Office of  
the 26 January, I am re-  
to inform you that the  
Gov & the S.A.R. has  
reported that he is unable  
to reply by telegram to  
the deposit due on account to him  
"pecting his views on the  
subject of the proposed  
modification of the lease  
of the land with. Both  
held by the E. Africa  
Syndicate

*[Signature]*

Govt 2994/1914

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14 March 1914.

Sir,

With reference to my letter  
from this Office of the 27<sup>th</sup> of  
January I am to inform

you that a telegram has  
been despatched to the  
Govt of the last asking  
when a reply may be  
expected on the subject  
of the proposed modification  
of the lease of land in the  
Borth held by the last  
Agrius Syndicate.

2. The letter left  
by you at this Office  
on

DRAFT.

Ed. G. H. Villiers.

## MINUTE.

Mr. Harper 13/3/4

Mr. Attomley 3/3/4

Sir G. Fiddes.

Sir H. Just.

Sir J. Anderson.

Lord Emmott.

Mr. Harcourt.

*extended to 29/3/4*  
*(pm)*

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remain

on the 12<sup>th</sup> instant  
is returned

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Govt 2994/14.

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Act 3.40pm

13 March

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DRAFT Telegram

Governor  
Nairobi

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11/2/96

When may reply be expected to  
remindast

my desq of 2<sup>nd</sup> January to  
subdito

~ Syndicate

desec for early decision  
plotting deadrising

Mr. Harper 13/3/94

Mr. Bottomley, 13/3/94

Sir G. Fiddes.

Sir H. Just.

Sir J. Anderson.

Lord Emmott.

Mr. Harcourt.

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