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German East Africa

1914

Nov 7th

Last previous Paper.

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Col. Owen reports that Longido has been evacuated by the enemy and that he is occupying it and proposes to make it his advanced base.

~~the Authority~~

~~the Read~~

Sir G. Fisher.

This is very satisfactory, but it is difficult to see why the Germans have evacuated the place.

Copy to I.O., 70. Two. (LFF)

If they are concentrating for an ^{Eq. 18/11/14} attack elsewhere (while still holding Tanga + Dar e Salaam in force) it will be an advantage to them to have ^{so} our men locked up ^{so} as to prevent communication.

18/11/14 H. J. R.
18/11/14

Last subsequent Paper.

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I don't like it & don't understand
the reference to an 'advanced base'.
But ~~maybe~~ I.O. can make enquiries
if they can't when they get there.

= I sh^d much like to be helped
Sir H Belpied

"Am much impressed by lack of
accurate information as shown by conduct
of Force operations. However, ^{satisfactory} arrangements
have been made in E.A.F. and Zanzibar
for a intelligence department working
through various and are results "satisfactory"

I agree that it would be well to telegraph
as proposed. I share Sir H Belpied's views as to
to this move.

14 18.11.14.

15 11.14

yes, tele. as proposed

H 18.11.14

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Substance
Fair
11.30 PM
19.11.14

PARAPHRASE

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

(Received, Colonial Office, 12 midnight 17th-18th November 1914.)

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No. 193.

17th November.

Longido. My telegram of 8th November. Colonel Drew reports Longido evacuated by Germans he is occupying the place with 100 East African Mounted Infantry, two companies 29th Punjabis, one company King's African Rifles, and two mountain guns.

Subject to approval of General Officer Commanding he proposes to make his advanced base at Longido he strongly advises this course and adds that thereby morale of the troops will be benefited.

BELFIELD.

IMMEDIATE.
CONFIDENTIAL.

TELEGRAM.

Decipher of a telegram from the Governor of E.A. Prot
received at the Colonial Office the 17-18th day of November 1914
at 12 midnight

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17 Nov. ~~with reference to my telegram of 8 Nov~~ LONGIDO.

Colonel DREW reports that ~~the~~ ~~troops~~ ~~have~~ evacuated Longido
by ~~the~~ ~~place~~ ~~the~~ ~~place~~
which he is occupying with 100 E.A. Mountain Infantry, one
company K.A.R., 2 companies 29th Punjab, and two
mountain guns

✓ The proposal, subject to approval of G.O.C., to make
that his advanced base ~~which~~ ~~is~~ ~~strongly~~ ~~advised~~ ~~the~~
course & ~~advise~~ that ~~more~~ of the troops will benefit thereby

Belfield /

Paraphrase.

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

(Sent 12.30 p.m. 19th November 1914).

Am much impressed by lack of accurate information
as shown by result of Tanga operations. Have arrange-
ments been made in East Africa Protectorate and
Zanzibar for an intelligence department working through
natives and are results satisfactory.

HARCOURT.