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River Craft for H. Frontier Dist.

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18 Nov.

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Sends report from Cons. Naval Architects suggesting
canach of slightly larger dimensions than that
proposed by Col. at estimated cost of \$5000. - also
reporting on other craft required. Requests instructions as
to preparation of specifications.

Inf the C.A. that, in view of the
financial position of the Prot^{ty}, the
Gov^{ty} has asked that action may be
suspended for the present with regard
to the purchase of the river craft &
that no further administrative steps should be
taken in the matter pending the result of
investigation until they receive notice
to that effect from the Dept. - a
copy of corresp^{ce} to the Gov^{ty} with refer
to the Dist.

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ALL COMMUNICATIONS
TO BE ADDRESSED TO THE
CROWN AGENTS FOR THE COLONIES,
THE ABOVE REFERENCE AND THE
DATE OF THIS LETTER BEING QUOTED.

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WHITEHALL GARDENS,
LONDON, S. W.

TELEGRAMS "CROWN, LONDON."
TELEPHONE 7750 VICTORIA (6 LINES)

LONDON, S. W.

18th November 1914.

Sir,

Requisition No. 4510, East Africa Protectorate.

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt
of your letter No. 36064/1914 dated the 29th Septem-
ber enclosing several indents from the East Africa
Protectorate.

2. With reference to the river craft mentioned in
paragraph 2 of your letter, I enclose a copy of a report
from our Consulting Naval Architects. You will note
that in order to comply with the requirements given in
the Governor's despatch, the Naval Architects consider
that a launch of slightly larger dimensions than the
"Rose" will be required, and that the cost of this vessel
would be approximately £4,000 in this country.

3. We shall be glad to hear whether we may pro-
ceed with the preparation of specifications in order
to invite tenders for these vessels.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

The Under Secretary of State,

&c. &c. &c.

Colonial Office.

for Crown Agents.

MESERS. FLANNERY BAGGAILLAY & JOHNSON LTD. TO CROWN AGENTS.

9 Fenchurch St.,

London, E.C.

2nd November 1914.

Gentlemen,

E.A.P. 4810/1.

In further reference to your letter of 6th inst. we have now carefully noted the particulars of launch, steel lighters, and first bottomed canoes indented for under this Requisition and beg to report as follows:-

2. The twin screw steam launch indented for is specified to be similar to the "Rose" built under Requisition No. 11 of 1900, but with a shade deck and canvas awning above ^{it} and to be steered by a wheel on the shade deck forward.

3. On reference to the plans and specification for the "Rose", we find that this vessel had no shade deck, excepting to serve as an awning, also that a speed of 10 miles per hour is specified which is about half a mile per hour in excess of the speed reported to have been attained by the "Rose".

4. In view of the above, additions both to the weight of the structures and the speed, it would appear that a launch of the same class is required, with modifications to suit, and to conform to the above it would be necessary to increase the draught if permissible

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or else increase the dimensions to carry the additional ^{the} weight of hull and extra weights of machinery necessary for the increased speed. Increase of draught would of course be the more economical compromise if this could be permitted.

5. The dimensions of the "Rose" appear to have been as follows :-

Length 67' 0", Beam 13' 0", Depth 3' 0".

6. We would suggest the following dimensions for the launch now under consideration, that is if the draught can be increased as necessary for the added weights :- Length 70' 0", Beam 13' 0", Depth 3' 6".

7. It will be noted that our proposals are for a launch 3 ft. longer and 2 ft. more beam than the "Rose" as in our opinion the added top weights will require a somewhat broader vessel to secure the same stability when carrying these weights.

8. A vessel of the above dimensions would cost approximately 24000 delivered f.o.b. in this Country. It is however difficult to estimate with any degree of accuracy during the present unsettled state of affairs, but the above will probably serve as a guide pending receipt of tenders for the supply of the work.

9. As regards the two steel lighters 45 ft long and the four steel flat bottomed canoes, it would appear that the Colonial estimates of 21000 and 2500 respectively should prove sufficient observing again however, that ordinary conditions of the shipbuilding trade

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trade are much upset by the War.

10. We would be glad to receive your instructions to proceed with Specifications for the vessel intended for.

And meantime remain,

Your obedient Servants,

(sgd) Flannery Baggallay & Johnson Ltd.

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- Mr. Harper Nov 24/1914
- Mr. Bottomley 23/11/14
- Sir G. Fiddes
- Sir H. Just.
- Sir J. Anderson.
- Lord Emmott.
- Mr. Harcourt.

I am &c. to acknowledge
 the receipt of your letter
 of the 18th of Nov. (W. EAP. 4570)
 and to inform you that in
 view of the financial
 position of the EAP
 the Govt has asked

of that action may be
 suspended for the
 present with regard
 to the purchase of
 river craft for the
 Northern Frontier District

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No further steps
should be taken
in the matter until
you receive instructions
from this Department

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(Signed) H. J. READ,

Secretary of State