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Sends despatch from Cairo stating that Sudanese  
are prepared to accept maximum height of  
30 lbs. for elephants tracks if other Powers agree  
to do the same. also despatch to Paris proceeding from  
reply of French post as to proposed Conference.

Dr G. Fildes -

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In any further communication  
of this nature, please refer  
No. 4386  
The Under-Secretary of State,  
Foreign Office,  
London.

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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 copies of the under-mentioned  
papers.

Foreign Office,  
January 9, 1914.

Reference to previous letter:

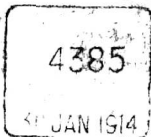
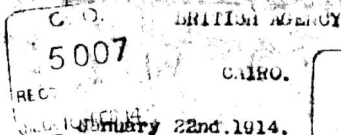
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Description of Inclosure.

Name and Date.	Subject.
① Lord Kitchener Cairo no 4.	Protection of elephants
② To His Ambassador at Paris no 56.	rhinoceros

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Sir,

With reference to your despatch No. 42 Africa of the 5th ultimo (54073/13) respecting proposed regulations to prevent illicit trade in Ivory, I have the honour to inform you that the Soudan Government are prepared to accept a minimum weight of thirty pounds for elephant tusks in the event of the other European Powers concerned agreeing to do the same.

The Soudan Government would further be prepared to declare all Ivory under this weight contraband and, whenever possible, confiscate it, and to make detailed Customs returns showing,  
(a) the actual number of tusks of standard size  
(b) legitimately exported, and  
(c) the total number of undersized and cow tusks confiscated.

I have the honour to be, with the highest respect,

Sir,

Your most obedient,

humble servant,

(S) Kitchener

The Right Honourable

Sir Edward Grey, Bart., K.G., M.P.

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9th. February, 1914.

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Sir:-

In my despatch No. 88 Africa of the 29th. December last I enquired whether the French Government were willing to take part in the proposed conference on the protection of elephants and rhinoceros, in view of the fact that His Majesty's Government do not desire to extend the scope of the discussion to countries outside Africa.

As it would be convenient that the Commission should meet without much further delay I should be glad if your Excellency could elicit a reply from the French Government at an early date.

I am, with great truth and respect,

Sir,

Your Excellency's most obedient,

humble servant,

Excellency

The Right Honourable

Sir P. Bertie, G.C.B., G.C.M.G.,

Esq., Esq., Esq.