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Forwards telegram to G. M. Ambassador at
Bordeaux - French troops not at present
required for German East Africa, & French
Govt will be informed should they be required
later on.

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The Under-Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs
presents his compliments to the Under-Secretary of State for
the Colonies
~~London~~, and as directed by the Secretary of State to transmit
the accompanying copies of a telegram as marked in the
margin.

for J. B. Ker
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Cypher telegram to Sir F. Bertie, Bordeaux.
Foreign Office, December 5th, 1914. noon.
No. 1130.

(at
Your 527 (of December 3rd.)

We are organising our forces in East Africa and it was with the view of finding out if armed assistance could be given from Madagascar that War Office asked the questions to which you replied in your 524. The position in East Africa is not pressing and the War Office here think that sending troops from France at the present juncture would not be advisable also that West Africa appears to require all the troops available there.

We have sufficient troops in East Africa to prevent incursions into our territory but not sufficient for a vigorous offensive. War Office here will let you know should the Madagascar troops mentioned in your 524 be required later on.

Please express our gratitude for the readiness with which the French War Office have responded to our request.
