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Inquires whether it is to be understood that a combatant Camel Corp. Co. is no longer required from India or Aden. Send copy tel addressed to Indian post.

Dr G. Fisher

It seems clear from for 7206 + from the fact that we have heard nothing since from the for regarding a combatant Camel Corps Co. from outside that a lot of the work is not now required.

Act: say that Mr. Harcourt thinks that it is clear that a combatant Camel Corps Co. is not now required - but that he will prefer to await the reply from the Indian post to the tel. of which a copy is enclosed to the for + then if it appears that

Ans  
Copy to Mr. Harcourt of 5 March 14  
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that comedy of the kind can be  
obtained from India or elsewhere  
the for <sup>to state</sup> definitely whether he was  
to employ them - a copy of  
as to the for for inf: 17.7.?

H- J. R.

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Harcourt's Thanks

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already taken in the matter

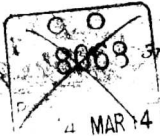
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Any further communication on this subject should be addressed to—  
The Under Secretary of State for India,  
Military Department,  
India Office,  
London, S.W.  
and the following reference quoted  
N. 3088.



INDIA OFFICE,  
WHITEHALL,  
LONDON, S.W.



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Sir,

In reply to your letter of the 27th February 1914,  
No. 7206 1914, \* I am directed to enquire whether it is  
to be understood, with reference to paragraph 2 of  
Mr. Read's letter of the 28th February, † that a combatant  
Camel Corps Company is no longer required from India or  
Aden. I do to enclose a copy of a telegram on the  
subject which was sent to the Government of India on the  
28th February, before the receipt of your letter under  
reply.

See  
7/4/14

I have the honour to be, Sir,  
Your obedient servant,

Eg Dames General.  
Military Secretary.

The Under Secretary of State,  
Colonial Office.

\* Transmitter of copy of  
No 7206  
† No 6743

~~Copy~~ telegram to Viceroy, Army Department

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Dated 28th February, 1914.

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By telegram dated 14th February. Baggage camels for  
 Hismaya. Report progress by telegram. In the event of  
 a combatant camel corps being required for field service  
 in north-east district British East Africa Protectorate,  
 please telegraph whether any Indian Chief would  
 volunteer services of 100 or more men and camels of his  
 Imperial Service Camel Corps at the expense of British  
 East Africa Protectorate, and whether you consider such  
 employment unobjectionable on general grounds. Also  
 whether such camels would be suitable for service in  
 that country from point of view of climatic conditions  
 and foodstuffs or grazing obtainable. Could the camelry  
 of the Aden Troop be made available for this service, and  
 if so in what strength.

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5 March 1914

Sir,

I am directed, etc to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 3<sup>rd</sup> of March, ~~1914~~ and to inform you that request you to inform the Messieurs of howe that he thinks that it is clear that a combatant camel corps Company is not now required by the Govt. of the E.A.P. in connection with the operations in the south east of the Protectorate

DRAFT.

The U.S. of  
Military Dept  
India Office

MINUTE

- Mr. Baker 5/3/14
- Mr. Nicholson 5/3/14
- Sir G. Fiddes.
- Sir H. Just.
- Sir J. Anderson.
- Lord Emmott.
- Mr. Harcourt.

\* No 8063

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Mr. Harcourt would, however,  
prefer to await the reply  
from the Gov. of India to  
the telegram, <sup>of the 25<sup>th</sup> of Feb.</sup> a copy of which  
was sent with your letter,  
and if it then appears  
that samelry of this kind  
could be obtained from India  
or Aden the Gov. will be  
asked to state definitely  
whether he now desires to  
employ them.

2. I am to <sup>add</sup> request  
that Mr. Harcourt desires that  
~~that an expression of Mr. Harcourt's~~  
Mr. Harcourt's thanks may be  
conveyed to the <sup>late</sup> ~~the~~ ~~the~~ ~~the~~  
& praise for the action which  
has already been taken  
in the matter.

I am etc

H. J. READ

for the Under Secretary of State