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Mr. J. K. Robertson

20 Aug.

Sends for obsas. tel. from Ind. Govt. resp. proposed employment of Mr. Robertson on Uganda Railway Survey during his leave from India.

Last previous Paper.

1. Read

I think this must be the "first class man" who was to take charge of the third survey party - Uasin Gishu railway. See Govt/17080/14.

? Act: & send copy of that tel. explaining that we have no info definitely identifying Mr. Robertson with the experience mentioned in it. Say that <sup>as soon as</sup> Mr. R. has already started for S. A. to Montreal limits that the arrangement may be allowed to stand. Add that if they desire we will tel. to Govt for info.

at once  
H. J. R.  
21/8/14

Copy sent to 24 Aug 14  
25 Sept 14  
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subsequent Paper.

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Any further communication on this subject should be addressed to—

The Under Secretary of State for India,  
Public Works Department,  
India Office,  
London, S. W.

and the following reference quoted

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INDIA OFFICE,

WHITEHALL,  
LONDON, S.W.

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Sir,

I am directed by the Secretary of State for India in Council to forward herewith, for the information of the Secretary of State for the Colonies, a copy of a telegram from the Government of India respecting a proposal that Mr. J.K. Robertson, an Executive Engineer employed on the Lower Ganges Bridge Project, should take up an appointment on Uganda Railway Surveys during his furlough. Nothing further is known at this Office on the subject, and I am to enquire whether the Colonial Office has any information, also whether Mr. Secretary Harcourt has any observations to make on the subject.

I have the honour to be, Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

H. A. Haines

The Under Secretary of State,  
Colonial Office.

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*From Viceroy, 17th August 1914.*

Robertson, Executive Engineer, State Railways, applies for permission to take up appointment on Uganda Railway surveys during his furlough. We understand that Uganda Railway Administration is anxious for his services, and he has left India. We consider it unnecessary, therefore, to recall him to duty with other officers. We support application. Please telegraph whether you agree.

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24 August 1914

Sir,

I am etc. to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 20<sup>th</sup> of Aug. (P.W. 3030) and to inform you that ~~transmit~~ to you, for the info of the Marquess of Crewe, the accompanying copy of a letter from the Govt of the C.P. submitting a proposal that an engineer should be engaged from India for service in the Hyderabad Railway.

2. Mr. Harcourt has no info definitely identifying the

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The U.S. of S.  
Public Works Dept.  
India Office  
MINUTE.

- Mr. Harper 22/8/14
- Mr. Pattinson 24/8/14
- Sir G. Fiddes.
- Sir H. Just.
- Sir J. Anderson.
- Lord Emmott.
- Mr. Harcourt.

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Tel. 169 - 8 May  
(17030)

in connection with a railway survey which is now in progress in the Peshawar side.

The engineer mentioned in  
that talk with Mr. J. H.  
Robertson,

3. If, as would appear,  
Mr. Robertson has already  
started for East Africa,  
Mr. Harcourt will be glad  
if the arrangement can be  
allowed to stand.

but if Lord  
~~Robertson~~ ~~the Marquis~~  
wishes ~~he~~ desires ~~that~~  
Harcourt will address a  
telegram to the Gov. of <sup>The E.A.S.</sup> ~~Kenya~~  
asking for further info on  
the matter.

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