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RE MISSION OF SENTENCES

Sultan of Zanzibar has suggested that certain remissions should be granted in Zanzibar as a result of being done in the E.A.P.

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Send copy of 14296 with copy of
our reply, to the G.O. for info etc

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on this subject please quote

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and address—

The Under-Secretary of State,
Foreign Office,
London.



June 14th, 1911.

Pressing.

Sir:-

I am directed by Secretary Sir E. Grey to state for the information of Mr. Secretary Harcourt that the Acting British Agent and Consul General at Zanzibar reports that the Sultan of Zanzibar has suggested that on the occasion of the Coronation prisoners undergoing sentence in the Sultanate should be granted remissions of their sentences.

It appears that, at the time of the Coronation of His Majesty King Edward VII, a certain number of native prisoners were released and the sentences of others reduced, but there is no record of what was done in the special case of prisoners sentenced by the British Court on that occasion.

The Zanzibar Government recommend that the same course in this respect should be followed in the Sultanate as is adopted in the British East African Protectorate, and I am accordingly to enquire whether it is proposed that

The Under Secretary of State,
Colonial Office.

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any remission of sentence should be granted to prisoners
in that Protectorate.

I am,

Sir,

Your most obedient,

Humble Servant,

W. Langley

Mr Butler

A member of the African Dept. F.O. has just shown me a receipt of a letter from Langdon from which it appears that Gov. Col has inf'd G.C. at Langdon that he does propose to reduce demerit in a few cases. G.O. are a little surprised at this, & want to know what the Gov. Col's intention is. G.C. at Langdon is anxious to remit sentence but they are to be treated as usual. I have mentioned from the Gov. Col that he would be unchanged - i.e. that he would not have directions in the matter, and if the Governor should order he is responsible, - as such order is considered valid.

Handwritten note: I have promised to ring up the F.O. this afternoon, as they must reply by 10 o'clock.

shall ~~write~~ ^{write} inform them as at X o'clock on night we shall inform the Gov. Col. The latter seems undesirable.

W. Fielder

I would not interfere with Sir P. Ginnard in the strength of this

roundabout information. He has
our tel. of the 3rd of May (a $\frac{94}{1046}$)
if he does anything in his own
hook which he cannot justify to the
S. of B. it is his own lookout.

Simply tell the 70 informants
that so far as we are concerned
the position is unchanged since we
telegraphed.

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