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CUSTOMS ORDINANCE NO. 14 OF 1910.

States what is considered the best course to adopt with regard to the objections raised by the French and German Ambassadors. Asks if abrogation of provision re cost of feeding a guard placed on a ship and line which it is proposed to adopt generally are agreed to.

~~Mr. ...~~
Mr. ...

For the provision with regard to the feeding of a guard placed on board a ship see the latter part of sec. 54 of the ord. (C.O. 21877/110). I saw nothing in the C.A.'s report on the ord. or the Gov's reply to show that any special importance is attached to the provision & I think that we may safely agree to its abrogation. So far as the 70. is concerned we have no objection to the line which it is proposed to adopt on the general question

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question - a copy of the concept
completely to the firm for his
info. L.A. ?

H. J. R.

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Sec 54 of the act reproduces without substantial
alteration sec 50 of the C Coast act 10 of 1976
including the proviso as to food, but I
gather that the French objection as the scope
of trading rights is applicable to G.A.P. legislation
and not that of W. Africa

? Proceed as proposed

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In any further communication on this subject, please quote

No. 25448/11.

and address—
The Under-Secretary of State,
Foreign Office,
London.

FOREIGN OFFICE

July 18, 1911.

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Sir:-

With reference to your letter No. 27340/1910 of the 10th. September last respecting the East Africa Protectorate Customs Ordinance No. 14 of 1910, I am directed by Secretary Sir E. Grey to state for the information of Mr. Secretary Harcourt that he has had the provisions of this Ordinance under his careful consideration, in consultation with the Board of Trade and the Board of Customs.

Sir E. Grey considers that the best course to adopt with regard to the objections raised by the French and German Ambassadors will be to take up the position that the provisions to which their Governments object do not appear to go beyond the reasonable precautions which must be taken in an uncivilized country to prevent smuggling, or to diverge materially from those enforced in other British African Protectorates.

Under Secretary of State,
Colonial Office.

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Protectorates, in the United Kingdom, and even in France itself. He proposes to add that if there are any particular provisions which the French Government consider to press unduly upon French ships, and to fetter the right of trade enjoyed by France under her Treaty to an unreasonable extent, His Majesty's Government will be happy to consider what modifications can be introduced to meet the French point of view. Sir E. Grey further considers that it would be advisable spontaneously to offer to abrogate the provision that the cost of feeding a guard placed on board a ship by the Customs should fall on the ship. He apprehends that this cannot be a very important item, while, as far as can at present be ascertained, its retention would be difficult, if not impossible, to defend on the analogy of Customs Regulations in force elsewhere.

I am to enquire whether Mr. Harcourt agrees to the abrogation of this provision, and also generally to the line which it is proposed to adopt.

I am, Sir,

Your most obedient,
humble Servant,

W. Langley

To
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Signed
1 June 1911

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The U.S.S.
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I have had before
the Secretary's Bureau
your letter no 25048/4
of the 18th of July

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on the subject of the
objections raised by
the Senate and former
Ambassadors to certain
provisions in the

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E.A.P. Customs Act
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Secretary
of Gen. E. Gray, that he
agrees to the allocation
of the provision in
section 56 of the advance
that the cost of feeding
a guard placed on board
a ship by the Customs should
fall on the ship, and
that he concurs generally
in the course which
Gen. E. Gray proposes to
adopt

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