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Mineral Oils
Right of Crown

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If any prospect of oil-bearing lands be
exploited an Ordinance on lines of that kind
for so they would appear desirable otherwise the reason
alternative in C.O. letter would be adm^d point of view
with the case

(Minutes)

Mr. Head

The last part of the C.O. letter

presented two alternatives i.e.

- (1) right to reserve the property
- (2) right to preemption of the product

The Adltry do not say which they prefer.

It seems to me that the adoption of s. 31 of the Nigerian Ordⁿ which provides for the preemption of the oil by the Govt. is also the plan to control the works in time of war ought to suffice.

Print the inclusion of such provisions in the new Mining

copy inserted for info of Dept. of State

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Order - request the Gov. to confer
the Charitable Award accordingly

1881 23 Oct

J. M. G.
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H. Cox

Se. Council, sending copy of our
letter to Adm. on 21/50 & copy of this,
& saying that if the Council proposed &
adopted it would seem to be
unnecessary to offer the reward
suggested by the Crown Advocate?

H. J. R.

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At. use

1882

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In any further communication on this subject, please quote

G. F. ILLIST

and address letter to—
The Secretary,
Admiralty, Whitehall,
London, S. W.

C. O.
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Admiralty,
August 1907.

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Sir,

I am commanded by my Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of 22nd July, No. 21180 with regard to the reservation of the right of the Crown to mineral oils discovered in the East Africa Protectorate and to acquaint you for the information of Secretary, the Earl of Elgin that they are of opinion that, if there is any prospect of oil-bearing lands being exploited in the Protectorate, an ordinance on the lines of that promulgated for Southern Nigeria would appear to be desirable. Otherwise the second alternative given in para: 3 of your letter would, from the point of view of the Admiralty, meet the case.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

W. H. Murray

The Under Secretary of State,

COLONIAL OFFICE,

S. W.

no. 29907 E.A.P.

D. 23

Indy

4 Sept 1907

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E.A.P. n^o 1490

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MINUTE.

- Mr. Ladd ³¹
- Mr. Ellis
- Mr. Juss.
- Mr. Andrews.
- Mr. Cox.
- Mr. Lucas.
- S^r F. Hopwood.
- Mr. Churchill.
- The Earl of Elgin.

(S^r 8561)

When the Bureau
 to whom the receipt
 of your despatch n^o 263 of
 the 4th of July last, was
 to transmit to you, for
 your wife, the original
 copy of correspondence relating
 to the reservation of
 the right of the Crown
 to mineral oils
 discovered in the E.A.P.
 I am ~~anxious~~ with
 the desire expressed by
 the Lord Cairns of the
 Privy Council in the letter
 of

0.5224. 22 July 1907 ✓
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multy 19th Aug 1907
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5th Aug = 25th XII 1907
(from Library)

of the 17th August
last a copy of
which is enclosed
herewith

advised that the
requirements of the
act will be sufficiently met

met by the adoption
of section 31 of the
Mining Regulation (Oil)
Ordinance 1907 of
S^r Nigeria (a copy
of which is transmitted
to you herewith for
your info & guidance)

3 The provisions of
the section as
mentioned above
are contained in the
Part^{II} legislation,
and the relevant
Enactment is

under which the application
of mineral oils by private
persons is permitted under
certain conditions

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approved of the fact

There

4. It is noted that since
it has been
to be unnecessary to
provide for the
records suggested by
the Com. Advocate
in the 6th para of
his mem^o a copy
of which was enclosed
in the F.T. Jackson's
copy No-132 of the
8th of April, 1907.

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