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Grant in aid 1908-9

In notes stated consider amount
in aid of £150,000 at 4% interest & provisions
provision accordingly

(Witness)

Mr. Head
If this is accepted the
balance after the necessary
additional expenses approved
by the Committee have been
allowed for the raising of
the £100,000 in balance
the balance will be about
£100,000 - £100,000 = £0
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Mr Churchill is rather desirous
of keeping a little more in hand
if so he will perhaps settle
privately with the Treasury
that he may have the
round £150,000

M 26/2

Mr Austen

I shall be in favor of
accepting the Treasury figure. We
shall find that the bond amount
will manage all right with £135,000

H. J. R.
28/2

J. Speer

18th Feb 27

Mr Churchill

These are proposed to
do about the same as
the Treasury figure

J. S. 27/2

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by 27/2

W. Russell

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In the reply to this Letter the following
Number should be quoted.



TREASURY CHAMBERS,

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15 February 1908.

Sir,

I have laid before the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury the letters from your department of the 6th and 14th ultimo, with reference to the estimates of the East Africa Protectorate for the year 1908/9, and am to request you to submit to the Earl of Elgin the following reply.

The gross expenditure, including £65,500 not shown in the body of the estimates, is estimated by the Governor & 815,728

The revenue is estimated at 533,439

There will thus be a gross deficiency of £280,289

To meet this it is proposed to appropriate from the estimated balance at 31st March next the following sums:

42,385	
66,500	
<u>16,404</u>
	£127,289

leaving a net deficit of £153,000, and the Secretary of State suggests a grant in aid of this amount.

The Under Secretary of State,
Colonial Office.

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The total estimated balance of the Protectorate on 31st March next is not stated in Mr. Antrobus's letter of the 14th ultimo; but My Lords understand that it is expected to amount to £153,112 and that after the appropriation of the above mentioned sum of 127,289 there will still remain a balance of £25,823

Having regard to this balance, My Lords do not think it necessary that a grant in aid should be included in the Colonial Services Estimate to the full extent suggested by the Earl of Eglar. The accumulation of balances necessitates expenditure outside the Estimates, which, in Their Lordships' opinion, is not desirable as a permanent arrangement, and it was only resorted to last year in the exceptional circumstances of the account (Treasury letter 4768 of 27th March 1907). For the ensuing year, My Lords would prefer that the Protectorate balances should be treated as a whole, and regarded as available for any sanctioned expenditure, instead of being described as "special funds" earmarked to particular items; and similarly that all expenditure in the year, whether 'special' or recurrent, should be included in the Estimate for the year.

On these lines My Lords think that a grant in aid of £138,000 should suffice for the year 1908/9 and They sanction provision being made accordingly.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

J. Murray