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Summary

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Official Paper.

19538

Railway Rates on Imported Sheep

Now sanction reduction to 5 annas per vehicle mile, as a tentative measure. A report to be furnished on its working after a year.

(Minutes.)

Inform the Govt in reply to 19538 that the reduction has been approved as a tentative measure & subject to report on its working at the end of 1 year.

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Official Paper

In reply to the following
Number should be quoted.

11416

TREASURY CHAMBERS

10/11/08

July 1908

Sir,

I have laid before the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury Mr. Antrobus's letter of the 25th ultimo (19538/1908), renewing the proposal originally made in 1906 for a reduction in the rate for the carriage of imported sheep on the Uganda Railway.

The Earl of Crewe will be aware that Their Lordships see general objection to fixing up-rates on the railway at amounts which do not cover the cost of the return haulage of empty trucks (as appears to be proposed in this case).

On the other hand the import of sheep may be expected to result directly in increased downward traffic in wool. In view of this consideration, as of the position of the railway generally, My Lords will no longer withhold sanction for the reduction of the rate to 5 annas per vehicle mile, (subject to the limits given in the goods tariff as to the number of animals to be loaded on each truck), as a tentative measure, on the understanding that a report will be furnished as to its working after it has been tried for one year.

I am,
Sir,
Your obedient Servant.

The Under Secretary of State,
Colonial Office.