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Private Secretary

Mr. Read

I understand that Sir Percy Girouard wants the services of an Assistant District Commissioner as Private Secretary, in addition to those of an Aide-de-Camp. Only the Aide-de-Camp is provided for in the Estimates.

45 Assistant District Commissioners are provided for in the Estimates, but, after allowing for the death of Monier-Williams, the transfer of Silberrad, and the proposed promotion of two men (of whom Pickford is one and the other has not been selected) to be District Commissioners, there are 43 Assistant D. Cs. including 3 attending the current course of instruction. There are thus three supernumeraries.

Accordingly Sir Percy Girouard might take his choice among the 3 attending the current course, viz. E.K. Biggs, J. J. E. le Breton, A. M. Champion, H. S. Cumberbatch, H. G. Montgomeris, P. G. W. Thomas,

and C. E. Ward.

This might be done temporarily in anticipation of Treasury sanction which might be sought at the same time.

It is to be hoped that Sir Percy Girouard will be content to employ one of the men named.

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W. Fisher

Mr. Read is away & sends his regards.
We could allow Sir Percy his choice among these 8 men, without going to the Treasury, if it were clearly understood that he would not appeal for any addition to the Political Staff. He has found that he was using me as a Private Secretary before last year. If he wanted it then, we should have to approach the Treasury when the question has been disposed of. I will enquire how we come to have so many super-numerary officers.

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W. S. U.

to Butler

Dear Sir, I have to thank you for the copy of the report of the Committee on the subject of the proposed increase of the number of the Political Staff.

Can you arrange that the report should be sent to the Treasury for their consideration?

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I have spoken to Sir P. Girouard
and have with Mr. Clay's concurrence
sent him the list of the 8 men
named in the last part of Mr. Darley's
minute. Wait

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July 23

Mr Read.

Sir Percy Girouard has looked at the papers of
these eight men. He is not anxious to have any of them
as his Private Secretary, though he has asked Mr Cursham-
batch and Mr Montgomerie to call and see him. He says
that he would very much rather have a Private Secretary
entirely of his own choosing. The man he wants is a
Captain O'Brien, as to whom see the attached telegram.

I have pointed out to Sir Percy that this favours
creating a specific appointment of Private Secretary,
and that this necessitates obtaining the Treasury sanc-
tion. He wishes very much that we should
and ask for a salary of £300 a year. It will be seen
from the attached telegram that, in the event of the
Treasury refusing, Captain O'Brien is ready to go for one
year as an unpaid Private Secretary provided that the
War Office will spare his services.

I submit a draft to the Treasury accordingly, and
in all the circumstances I think we need have no hesita-
tion in applying to the War Office for Captain O'Brien's
services for one year, whether the Treasury sanction the
creation of a Private Secretaryship or not. It will be
seen that I have asked Sir Percy to tell us what Captain
O'Brien's regiment is.

F.G.A.B.

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23, Portman Street, W.

7th July, 1909.

Sir,

I have the honour to request that the services of a Private Secretary should be approved of for my office in the East African Protectorate. In the case of the government which I now relinquish, the appointment was approved by the Secretary of State, allowing me to utilize the services of an assistant Resident of my own nomination, trust that the same method may be sanctioned in the present instance.

I understand that there are at present no vacancies for Assistant District Commissioners in the Protectorate and it is a matter of great urgency that I should secure assistance at the earliest possible moment. If the appointment is approved, I would beg to request that it should be made extra to establishment and be absorbed on the first vacancy occurring.

I have the honour to be,

Your obedient servant,

R. Howard

The Under Secretary of State for the Colonies,

Downing Street, S.W.

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East Africa Protectorate.

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Secretary
to the Treasurer

Downing Street.
29 July, 1909.

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MINUTE.

Mr. Putler July 18

Mr. Read 28

Mr. Fielder 28

Mr. Antoku

Mr. P. Hopwood July 20

The Earl of Crewe July 21

Sir,

I am directed by the Earl of Crewe to request you to inform the Lords Commissioners of the Treasury, that Colonel Sir Percy Girouard, the newly appointed Governor of the East Africa Protectorate, has asked to be allowed the assistance of a Private Secretary.

2. It will be remembered that Sir Percy had a Private Secretary as well as an Aide-de-Camp in Northern Nigeria,

for reference
see later minutes

Nigeria, and Lord Crewe has no hesitation in saying that the work which he is about to undertake in East Africa will be in no degree less arduous or important than that which he has left in Northern Nigeria.

The presence of a much larger white population and the importance of the questions which they are continually bringing under discussion also make it specially desirable that Sir Percy Girouard should have all the assistance which he feels to be necessary in the discharge of his duties, and particularly

3. I am therefore to request that their Lordships will approve of provision being made for the appointment of a Private Secretary to the Governor of the East Africa Protectorate with salary at the rate of £300 a year, and I am to ask that their Lordship's decision in the matter may be communicated to this Office

in that portion of his work in which personal interest is involved by letter with the white settlers

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as early as possible in order that Sir Percy Girouard may be able to make the necessary arrangements before he leaves this country.

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I am, etc.

H.P.M.

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From

L. P. C. ...

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July

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