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(Subject)

Development
South of Jubaland

For copy of report on Jubaland Prov^{ce} by the Act? But when? If when it will be observed that the Act has improved in a marked degree. Consider Mr Williams should be allowed to proceed on lines indicated in brief outline of Feb?

(Minute)

Mr. Bateson

I don't think any further answer is required to the letter already answered the letter 16374 & give permission to Mr. Williams to go up the river & establish a trading station. But Mr. Bateson's own the supposed official also of gang Mr. Williams' syndicate land grant & the right to make a railway. Refer to our letter young that we shall no doubt have further

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PROVINCIAL,
Nairobi.

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In continuation of my telegram No. 71 of
yesterday, I have the honor to transmit herewith a
copy of report on the island received by the Acting
High Commissioner from the Hon. Mr. [Name] All perceive
that the situation has been marked [Name]

Captain [Name] is in favour of the opening up of
the Juba River to navigation, and in view of the
considerations noted in the [Name] of the
7th February [Name] I consider that Mr. Williams should
now be allowed to proceed on the lines indicated therein.

Yours faithfully,
With the kindest regards,

Your Lordship's [Name]

Principal Secretary
for the Colonies,
Downing Street,
LONDON, S.W.

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CONFIDENTIAL

REPORT OF THE GOVERNMENT OF THE STATE OF JUBA

Sir,

I have the honor to report that the military situation in Juba is as follows: The two main tribes of the country, the Bahr and the Mohammed Dubair fought against each other some time ago. They did not however interfere with Government interests and they maintained they did not want to quarrel with Government. I saw representatives gathering in Kismayu of the chiefs of these tribes on the day the S.S. Juba left and they told me they had made peace and intended to keep it. I think they mean to do so.

Although in May last year Bertie killed Sheikh Ali Bahr (Ali Sultan Bahr) the then representative of Government I do not anticipate any serious danger from this cause. The murderers are at large but according to the latest reports are on the Italian side. It is possible they may return but I do not think they will do so and cause any serious embarrassment. The Bahr were valued 1000 head of cattle for this affair and have paid up for about 750.

There is no movement at the moment nor are there any other serious news.

After consultation with the District Commissioner certain measures dealing with the situation have been taken before the Acting Commissioner to start against it and I think on the whole the situation may have a good effect.

As regards trading towards the West I am unable to report on the left bank of the river Juba I am unable to report on the right bank. It is said to be of value.

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As regards Southern Abyssinia Mr. Killians has
expressly said he is not in favour of the (the 1884) route
that it would be "a valuable gain."

I have no doubt a service for goods on the upper Juba
is necessary to the people of the local valleys and the trade which
has been established as the result of the trade with the coast
is regularly established and that trade will expand.

I consider a service for goods on the lower Juba
and running on the left bank of the Juba, (the railway
would be a necessary completion of the river trade) by
agencies when the trade grows sufficiently.

I think the Company's service and on the
left bank of the river established from the
left bank of the river and the Sudan and Southern Abyssinia
trade is sufficient for their needs.

Should the Company build a light railway between
Kisumu and Gakuen I think Government might give them a contract
to carry Government goods. There is I think nothing to
stop them starting on the left bank of the river if not
allowed to do so on the right bank.

And I am of opinion that it would be greatly to the
advantage of Government to allow this Company to start
business in the country.

Should I do not think they should be allowed
to start business there I think very much for the
benefit of the country.

It must be true to say that a service on the
left bank of the river is necessary for the development of the
country and this is I think the only factor to be feared.
A British officer should accompany their first trip to report
independently on the country visited.

I have, Sir,
Yours faithfully,
H. S. Galkold.

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- Mr. Lobb $\frac{1}{6}$
- Mr. Eli
- Mr. Jay
- Mr. Andrews
- Mr. Cox
- Mr. Linn
- Mr. F. Hayward
- Mr. Churchill
- The Earl of Elgin

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Sir, I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your confidential (24) of the 7th of August relative to the development of the Julia River, and to refer you to my telegram of the 14th of August in which I conveyed to you my approval of the proposal that Mr. Williams should be permitted to establish a trading station (in the

negotiations of
Barcelona and that

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be asked to
communicate

freely with me
before proceeding to
arrange the
terms of the
proposals of
Mr Williams

mediate - referred to
in your confidential
of the 7th of Feb
last - viz - that the
opportunity should
be granted of the
rights of neutrality
in light house July
between the manager &
Solomon, and also
the fair right of
loan or insurance

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for Louis ~~shall~~ might
be a ~~small~~ ^{small} part of
the July trade

with

Thos. F.
Esq.

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