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Gov.
Belfield 376

1916

21 June

Last previous Paper.

King's African Rifles Amendment Ordinance,
1916Submits, for assent, with explanatory
memo. by Attorney General~~Captain Bowe~~
~~Mr. Thompson. M.P. B.L.~~

I am not surprised that Commanding Officers have construed the subsection as allowing multiple punishments, but on the face of it the AG's General appears to be right. (f) definitely contemplate combination with other punishment & the implication is that in other cases do not contain that.

I am up the Gold Coast W.H.T.F. odds

There are some minor differences, but in this point the position is the same as for the R.M. and it would be useful to know how that construction is put on the provision in G. Africa.

As the system of multiple punishment is in force and it seems that S. Afr. have been so mean to us that it has been abused)

Next subsequent Paper.

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abused, I think and may be apposed?

The other K.R.R. (X) 67
should be brought into line 19-8-16.

During the time I served with the 6th Caval
Regt., the Section in question was used as
a commanding power to inflict a combination of
the punishment known as "marksmanship". This I
understood to be still the case.

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The wording of the amended section is rather unsatisfactory.
The contrasting words of (A) (f)
Should be struck out & the
word be "or" if it is necessary.
words over
word "OR"
& the two
(f) were as
of B (b)-

There are
matters in

mention their
in ~~sacred~~ assembly.

8.24/8/14

W^t Fiddian.

I agree. You may like to consider whether it is worth while amending the W.A.F.T. Ordinances

Similarly

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25. 8. 16

Mr Bratton Thank you I have discussed it with Captain Willis. The conclusion we came to was that a note might be made of it with a view to its being suggested to the W.A. Govt next time there are any questions of amending all the W.A.F. Orders in any particular. No difficulty is known to arise in W.A. so far, & it hardly seems necessary to direct amendment on the part alone.

AT 29/8/16

W. Faindle

Then approve of the Govt's amending
in the manner suggested by W. Temple
to the K.A.P. ordinance & direct
amendment of the other K.A.R. ordinances.

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abund, I think and may be allowed?
The other K.R.R.O.D.'s Ord. 19.8.16
was brought to me

during the time I was with Mr. Gell Coast
leg., the section in question was read as
laying down to inflict a punishment of
the permanent nature mentioned. This I
intended to be still the case.

Mr. Gell for S.O.
21. VIII. 16

The wording of the amended
section is rather unhappy -
The existing word of O.A.(6)
Should be struck out & it
would be better if new
words were
used. "If
to the two
(1) were as
of B(6)-

There are
matters in
relation thereto
in ~~safeguarding~~ ⁱⁿ ~~safeguarding~~ ^{protecting} ~~assent~~ ^{consent}.

8. 24/8/16

W. Tiddian.

I agree. You may like to
consider whether it is worth while
amending the W.A.F.T. Ordinances

Similarly.

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Dr. B.

25. 8. 16

Mr. Butler Thank you. I have discussed it with Capt.
Willis. The conclusion we came to was that a note
might be made of it with a view to its being
suggested to the W.A. Govt next time there
any question of amending all the W.A. Ordinances
in any particular. No difficulty is known than
with W.A. so far, & it hardly seems necessary to
desist amendment on this point alone. AT 29/8/16

W. Tiddian.

The ~~opposite~~ ^{opposite} of the Govt's ~~amendment~~
~~to the~~ ^{in the manner suggested by W.A.} ~~Q.A.P. ordinance~~ ^{to} ~~be used~~
amendment of the other K.A.R. Ordinances.

Dr. B.

29. 8. 16

Dr. B. 30.8.16
at once

P.T.O.

W. Bercombe Smith

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Mr. Tandyson.

The Somaliland King's African Rifles Ordinance 1909 has been revived by the Somaliland-Native Forces Ordinance 1915 for application to the Camel Constabulary. We ought therefore, for the sake of symmetry, to direct the amendment of the Somaliland King's African Rifles Ordinance on the lines approved in the previous minutes for the other three Protectorates. But I see that section 40 of that Ordinance, a copy of which is attached to Treas. 22406 in the bundle below, is not quite identical in terms with the same section of the other Ordinances, and it would appear that all that is necessary is, (1) to add after the words "where he deals with the case summarily he may", the words "impose on the offender any one or more of the following punishments", and (2) to delete the first nine words of sub-section 1 (f).

Do you agree?

Hab

18. 9. 16

I should be very
grateful if you
could deal with
this. ob. 1879/16

Mr. Butler.

I agree. In 40 (1)(g)h, the word "order" should be added at the beginning. In 40 (2), after "may" at end of first line add "and" "with the case summarily and may"

W. 20/9/16

Direct amendment of the Somaliland R. A. R. Ord^{ce} 1909 as proposed in
~~W. Bercombe Smith's~~ minute above
& in my minute of the 18th of Sept.,
writing as in the first two sentences
of the despatch to Uganda & Nyasaland
on this paper

Hab

20. 9. 16

at once

Room 3

ST AFRICA PROTECTORATE
No. 376.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
NAIROBI,
BRITISH EAST AFRICA.

June 21st, 1916.

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Rec'd

Ref 15 M 16

Sir,

Ordinance
memorandum

I have the honour to transmit herewith for favour of assent two copies of "The King's African Rifles Amendment Ordinance 1916" as passed by the Legislative Council on the 5th instant, together with an explanatory memorandum by the Attorney General.

2. I have nothing to add to the remarks expressed by Mr. Barth.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your humble, obedient servant,

H. Laway, Brigadier.

GOVERNOR.

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE
ANDREW BONAR LAW, P.C., M.P.,
SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES,
DOWNING STREET,
LONDON, S. W.

No.

INCLOSURE

In Deseret No. 376 of June 2nd

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East Africa Protectorate.

IN THE SEVENTH YEAR OF THE REIGN
REG'D 15 APR 1937
HIS MAJESTY KING GEORGE V.

SIR HENRY CONWAY BELFIELD, K.C.M.G.,
Governor.

An Ordinance to amend the Law
Relating to the King's African
Rifles.

1916.]

**Date of
Assent and
Compliance-
ment**

BE it enacted by the Governor of the East Africa Protectorate with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council thereof:—

1. This Ordinance may be cited as "The King's African Rifles Amendment Ordinance, 1916", and shall be read as one with the King's African Rifles Ordinance, 1912, hereinafter referred to as the Principal Ordinance.
 2. In Clause 1 of section 40 of the Principal Ordinance after the words "Where he deals with the case summarily he may" shall be inserted the words "impose on the offender any one or more of the following punishments".

Passed in the Legislative Council the fifth day of June,
in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and
sixteen.

This printed impression has been carefully compared by me with the Bill which has passed the Legislative Council and found by me to be a true and correct printed copy of the said Bill.

T.S. Thomas

Clerk of the Legislative Council.

Presented for authentication and assent as a correctly and faithfully printed copy of the Bill as passed by the Legislative Council.

Chief Secretary.

Altimeter Control

Assented to in His Majesty's name this _____ day
of _____ 1916.

Governor

INCLOSURE

No. 2.

In Despatch No. 376 of June 21st 1916.**THE KING'S AFRICAN RIFLES AMENDMENT ORDINANCE, 1916.****STATEMENT OF OBJECTS AND REASONS.**

The object of the Bill to amend the King's African Rifles Ordinance, 1912, is to give a Commanding Officer power to inflict one or more of the punishments provided by Section 40 of the Ordinance if he deals with a man summarily. The provisions of Section 41 of the Ordinance give the Officer Commanding a detachment power to inflict a combination of the sentences provided by that Section and there seems no reason why the Commanding Officer should not have the same power in respect to the sentences he can inflict under Section 40 of the Ordinance especially as it is desirable that the summary powers of a Commanding Officer should be extensive in view of the great difficulty frequently experienced in finding the requisite number of officers to form a Court Martial under the Ordinance.

2. The late Lieutenant Colonel Graham in a note on 15/11/1915 states that he is satisfied that every Commanding Officer of the King's African Rifles has read the Section as conferring power to inflict a combination of the punishments provided and that no Inspector General has, in checking punishment returns, objected to such a reading on the ground of illegality. I am of opinion that such a reading is not supported by the provisions of the Ordinance and that it is advisable to enact the Bill to give the power which has up to the present been assumed.

In view of Article XVIII (a) of the Royal Instructions I am of opinion it is advisable that the Bill should be submitted to the Secretary of State before assent is given. There appears to be no urgent necessity within the meaning of the aforesaid Article.

W. J. GARTH
Sd: J. W. GARTH.
ATTORNEY GENERAL.

Nairobi,
The 16th day of June, 1936.

THE KING'S AFRICAN RIFLES AMENDMENT ORDINANCE, 1916.

Section.	Remarks.
Section 1.	Short Title.
Section 2.	Amendment of section 40 of the King's African Rifles Ordinance, 1912.

ATTORNEY GENERAL.

REvised form of Sec. 40(1) of
Nekking's African Rifles Ordinance 1912

(1) Where he deals with the case summarily, he may

(A) Save in the case of absence without leave

or drunkenness, if the offender is a

soldier, impose on the offender any one

or more of the following punishments :-

(a) Award to the offender imprisonment, with or without hard labour, for any period not exceeding forty-two days.

(b) Reprimand, severely reprimand, or reduce any non-commissioned officer to a lower rank or to the rank of a private.

(c) Award corporal punishment not exceeding twenty-four lashes. The Governor shall by regulation prescribe the instrument with which such punishment shall be inflicted.

(d) Dismiss the offender from the regiment.

(e) Impose a fine not exceeding twenty-one days' pay, to be levied by stoppages from the offenders' pay.

(f) Order the offender to suffer any deduction from his ordinary pay to make good the amount of any loss or damage he may have caused.

(g)

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(g) Order confinement to barracks for any period not exceeding twenty-eight days, such confinement involving the taking of all duties in regular turn, attending parades and punishment drills, not exceeding one hour at a time nor four hours in all on the same day, inclusive of ordinary parades, and also liability to employment on duties of fatigue.

(h) Order extra guards and picquets, but only for minor offences or irregularities when on or parading for guard or piquet.

(B) In the case of any offence under this Ordinance, if the offender is a follower :-

(a) Award to the offender any of the punishments described in sub-sections (a) (c) or (d) of Section 40 (1) (A) of this Ordinance.

(b) In addition to or without any other punishment, impose a fine not exceeding rupees ten.

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WEST AFRICA PROTECTORATE

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Governor

Sir H. Conway, Belfield, K.C.M.G.,
G.C., G.C.

MINUTE

Mr. Butler 30.8.16.

Mr.

Mr.

Mr. Grindall.

Mr. Lambert.

Mr. Read.

Sir G. Fiddes.

Mr. Steel-Maitland.

Mr. Bonar Law.

Crossed sec 40(1)
herewith

dfts.

Downing Street,

2 Sept' 1916.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge

the receipt of your despatch No. 376 of the

21st June proposing an amendment of the

principled King's African Rifles Ordinance.

2. I concur in the opinion that

some amendment in the sense suggested is

desirable, but I think that the object in
desired it should be effected in the
view would be better secured by the
means shown in the enclosed draft
amendment of section 40 (1) of the prin-

cipal Ordinance, in the form of the draft
if you agree,

enclosed. I should be glad if you would

have an amending Ordinance passed in this

sense in substitution for the one enclosed

in your despatch.

I have seen,

3. as the R.A.R. are

now under the control

of the military authorities,
I assume that you have
secured General Saito's

concurrence in the proposed
amendment, or that you
will do so before the
amending Ordinance is
passed.

4. I have requested
the ~~Ministers~~ of Uganda
Mysore and
and the East Afr. No.
and similarly the
R.A.R. Ordinances of
those Protectorates.

I have

(Signed) A. BONAR LAW

Sir. Earl. 36629
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Downing Street,

2 Sept^r 1916.

sir,

I have the honour to inform you

that my attention has been called to the
necessity of making clear the intention of

section 40 of the principal King's African
Rifles Ordinance to give a Commanding

Officer power to inflict one or more of the
punishments provided by that section if he
deals with a case summarily. The provisions
of section 41 of the Ordinance clearly
give the Officer Commanding a Detachment

power to inflict a combination of the
~~punishments~~ provided by that section, and

the intention of section 40 should be made
no less indisputable. I have therefore

to request that you will take an opportunity

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DA PROTECTORATE NO. 228
ALAND PROTECTORATE NO. 178

Governor

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Mr. Butler 30.8.16. f-3.

Mr.

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Mr. Lambert.

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Mr. Steel-Maitland.

Mr. Bonar Law.

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Ordinance in the sense of the enclosed draft.

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I have &c.,

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Sir,

I have the honour to inform
you that my attention has
been called to the necessity
of making clear the intention
of section 40 of the King's
African Rifles Ord.,

No. 1 of 1909 to give a
Commanding Officer power
to inflict one or more
of the punishments provided
by that section if he
deals with a case
summarily. The
provisions of section 41 of
the Ord. clearly give the
Officer commanding a detachment
power to inflict a combination
of the punishments provided
by that section and the intention
of section 40 should be made
no less indisputable.

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Somaliland

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from Order

MINUTE

Mr. Harper

Mr. Bottomley 22.9.16

Mr.

Mr. Grindall.

Mr. Lambert.

Mr. Read.

Sir G. Fiddes.

Mr. Steel-Maitland.

Mr. Bonar Law.

you will take an opportunity &
amending section 40^(c) as follows:-
left the words "where he shall call
"the case summarily, he may" add
the words "impose on the offender one
or more of the following punishments",
and delete the first nine
words of sub-section (1) (f).

The word "Order" should be
inserted at the beginning of
subsections (1)(g) and (1)(h),

ii in section (2) after
word "may"; at the end
the first line, should be
added "deal with the case
summarily and may".

SIGNER A. SONAR DAW