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Sir

I have the honour to report that I have recently had under my consideration the question of the appointment of a successor to Mr. D.D. Waller, late Director of Government Transport and Principal Immigration Officer.

Prior to Mr. Waller's departure. I deemed it advisable, for reasons which need not be entered into in this despatch, to relieve him of the duties of the latter post and to transfer them to an officer of the East Africa Police. This arrangement has worked admirably, having on the one hand allowed the Director of Government Transport more time to devote to the duties of that office, and on the other enabling the Police to scrutinize more carefully the credentials of all persons who desire to enter the country. I am not aware of the reasons which in the past led to the amalgamation of these two posts under one officer, but I am strongly of opinion, and the Commissioner of Police agrees with me, that the temporary

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temporary arrangement to which I have referred should continue. I have therefore issued instructions for a report on the administration of the immigration laws by the Police Department to be submitted to me by the end of deptember when the question of making provision in the estimates for the necessary staff will be considered.

- 3. The separation of these two Departments will enable me to effect a reduction in the salary attached to the post of Director of Government Transport. I have always regarded the sanctioned scale, namely £500 £600 per annum plus £50 duty allowance as, unnecessarily high, and I consider that the salary to be offered to the new incumbent should not be higher than £400 £500 per annum plus £40 duty allowance. Under this arrangement the cost of administering the two separate Departments should not be very much in excess of previous years while largely increased efficiency will be achieved.
- 4. Finally I propose that the appointment of Director of Government Transport should not be filled until after the war. It appears to me possible that a readjustment of staff may become necessary at the close of the East African Campaign and I consider that it would be unwise in the meantime to fill departmental vacancies such as this when temporary arrangements can conveniently be made for the discharge of the duties.

5. I should add that these questions have been referred to the Governor of Uganda who has expressed his concurrence therein.

I have the honour to be,

Your humble, obedient servent,

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