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Last previous Paper

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SITUATION IN TURKHANA

Submits proposal for the employment of askaris formerly employed by Germans and who cannot be used against former masters and comrades in G.E.A. Proposal include strengthening of Rayne's force and undertaking of patrol to Laaur with such active measures as considered desirable. Llewellyn agrees.

See Beckman log
See Butler

He might write to W. & to
70 as in drafts herewith?

The five new dispatches below contain very full information as to the encounter on Aug 18th which resulted in a heavy reverse to the invaders

Thanks to the magnificent work of the
Capt. Rayne in face of heavy

Copy into cons
Copy top above to 70 cons (re Aug 17)

Next subsequent Paper

NO 35100

Beard's Report

The above evidence, rendered
 in a considerable improvement
 in the situation, but we
 ought to make use of the
 opportunity of clearing up matters
 by securing the services of
 the E. P. man at hand, as
 proposed? - We are likely
 to agree, I understand

22/8/7

W. Grindle.

The blue prints in the despatches
 illustrate the operations against
 the Abyssinian raiders. I have
 marked in blue on the two large maps
 covered the area covered by these
 blue prints.

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 Sheet 86 + 87
 North B 36

On the Sheet 86 I have marked
 in red the boundary between Abyssinia and
 the E.A.P. as proposed by the Gov^{ts} but
 not yet approved. The map covered
 the line indicates the present boundary.

The "Liberator" of this new Abyssinia

From the Officer Administering the Government of the East Africa Protectorate to the Secretary of State for the Colonies.

(Received Colonial Office 8.15 p.m. 18th August, 1917).

18th August. Communication from General Officer Commanding has been received by me to the effect that he wishes to place at the disposal of Government of East Africa Protectorate 600 men of first sixth King's African Rifles. These are Askaris who were formerly employed by Germans and who cannot be used against their former masters and comrades in German East Africa though seasoned troops and otherwise reliable.

2. It is not considered desirable to keep them here unemployed together. ^{They} There are not required for the reoccupation of Gerenli nor for any possible subsequent operations against the Aulihan inasmuch as fifth battalion is considered sufficient and as it would be undesirable to interfere with the arrangements now in hand.

3. They could be split up and 400 could be utilized for garrison purposes. Will you sanction despatch of the remaining 200 to strengthen Raynes force in Turkana and allow him to undertake patrol to Laburr with such active measures as he considers desirable vide my confidential despatch of 25 April No. 72 and subsequent despatches.

4. I consider patrol (if omitted) instructed enough would have most salutary effect on the situation in Turkana even if effective occupation did not immediately follow. In any case a patrol would be necessary before it could be decided whether the establishment of civil(ian) post was feasible. I will communicate with Sudan Uganda and with Thessiger if you approve.

5. By this arrangement we should be helping the General Officer Commanding out of a difficulty and it might be possible later to send him some 5th King's African Rifles in exchange. This is what he would like but I cannot agree at present.

6. Llewellyn to whom I have spoken on the subject agrees with the above.

BOWRING.

21st August 1917

Press

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With ref. to two
 letters from the Dept
 37022 of August 1st
 I am able to transmit
 to you to be laid before
 the Com. copies of portions
~~of the~~ despatches
 & of a telegram from
 the acting Gov. of the
 East Africa
 situation in the
 Turkhana District of
 East Africa
 2 1/2 will be seen
 from the despatches
 that the complexity of

DRAFT.

The Secretary
was officio

MINUTE.

Mr. Esq. 22/8/17
Mr. B. 22.8.17

Mr.

Mr. Grindle 22

Mr. Lambert.

Mr. Read.

Sir G. Fiddes.

Mr. Steel-Maitland. 22.

Mr. Long. 23. 8/17

for comm 20th.

12 June
 39854
 14 June
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 25 June
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 26 June
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 2 July
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copy 30 lines 24 Aug 17

Algerian subject

in this regard was

Dodge is being in

clearly a to be held, he

as Council ~~is~~ to aware

that H. M. Minister at

add; a letter was a time

arranged to make

a protest to the

Algerian Govt if

he considered that a

protest would be

useful in present circumstances

Mr. King has not yet

seen a report of his

response upon the action

taken by him. He is

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J. C. has too much

stands

3 has long ^{written to} ~~with~~ done

has special attention of

the Council to the good

work done by Capt. H.

(Asst Dist Comm: 1st & 5th Div.)
Rayne during the action

with the raiders of on

May 18th. He proposes

to ask the Acting Sec

to convey to Capt. Rayne

an expression of
his appreciation of his

skill and gallantry on

this occasion

With regard to the

the the Borrowing's telegram

of August 18th it

appears to Mr. King

that ~~unfavorable~~

the the proposed disputed

part of the 18/6th call

