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submit complaint on behalf of the Holzappel  
 on behalf of the Brooks & Explains  
to Holzappel's portion in regard to the firm.  
Brooks that some explanation may be given  
 that steps be taken to protect his interest.

in Barley  
in all Fields

With regard to para: 2  
 we make only reply as to the  
 case of Mr. Hill (see 44.7) that  
 the firm do not consider it  
 cannot be communicated to him  
 as they have allowed more than a  
 year to elapse before giving us  
 notice, & looks as if they recognized  
 that they had no case against the firm.  
 In view of its action in Aug. 14, we  
 think that we had better ignore this

para: 2. This is it?

With regard to para: 3 & the preceding  
 para: 1, we should turn

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the matter over to the W.O., as  
in the case of the removal of Miss  
Holtzschke (See Govt. No. 28464).

Ask + say that, as the action  
complained of in para 3 of their  
C.C. has been taken by the military  
authorities & the R.C.R.C. they shall  
address themselves to the W.O.  
to whom a copy of their C.C. has  
been sent - + send a copy of  
answ<sup>r</sup> to the W.O. saying that  
previous answer on the subject  
of the note a rjgible bill was  
sent by the D.M.O. in our  
note of the 8<sup>th</sup> of Jan<sup>r</sup> 5 to  
the D.M.O. 115 - + copy of answ<sup>r</sup>  
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Solicitors  
J. C. CRIDDLE  
F. J. CRIDDLE  
100, 102, 104, 106, CENTRAL,  
NEWCASTLE UPON TYNE.

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MS. 1.

Money Order to Co. Ltd.

On the 28th October last we addressed a letter to you on behalf of our client Mr Max Neisapfel of this city as to the action taken with regard to the above mentioned Company, to which we received a reply from the Colonial Office on the 6th October to the effect that the Government of the East African Protectorate would be asked to furnish a report although the matter would be left entirely to his discretion.

We had hoped ere this to have received some account of the action taken and the reasons therefor.

We are now informed by Mr Neisapfel that when he received news that the Company's property at Mijene Hall had been seized by the Protectorate, he instructed Messrs. Gill, Wheelock & Johnson, the Accountants and Auditors of the Company, to offer the place as a Convalescent Home for British officers and men, but that he received no communication as to whether the offer had been accepted or not. Some time later the Military Authorities took possession of the place, in Mr Neisapfel thought, in response to his offer, but he is now informed that he has been under a misapprehension and that the Military Authorities

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ADVISORS  
J. L. CRIDDLE  
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GENERAL

Without undue delay  
to Birminghams Board

Birmingham Town

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have communicated the place, regarding the property as enemy property. Mr Helmsdorf naturally, under these conditions, feels much annoyed that his order appears to have been entirely disregarded and fears that he himself is treated as a suspect in connection with the Company.

Under these circumstances, Mr Helmsdorf wishes to — further explain his own personal position with regard to the — Company and to ask for some explanation why it has been deemed necessary to take such drastic steps.

It was owing to his having financed Messrs Schaefer & Walter (who are understood are German subjects) and owing to their requesting still further financial assistance, that Mr Helmsdorf deemed it advisable to have a Company formed to take over the concern, so that his interests would thereby be better protected and he accordingly caused the Company to be formed in the year 1911. All the shares in Walter's name belong in effect to Mr Helmsdorf, as do the bulk of the shares standing in the name of Schaefer, besides which the Company is largely indebted to Mr Helmsdorf for advances made to it.

Mr Helmsdorf himself is a naturalized British subject

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he having been naturalised thirty years ago, namely in 1888, and having as far back as 1870 abandoned his German nationality.

Under these circumstances it does indeed seem hard and unaccountable why such steps should have been taken and we hope that some explanation will be afforded to Mr Helfmeyer through us for the same, and that instructions may be given that reasonable facilities may be afforded to any British nominee nominated by Mr Helfmeyer and who may be approved of by the Governor of the Protectorate, to control or protect the interests of the Company.

As presumably you will require to communicate with the Governor of the Protectorate before you are able to make any reply to us, may we suggest that you ask the Governor to give you an early reply especially having regard to the delay which has taken place in forwarding the report promised in your communication of the 6th October 1914.

We are, sir,  
Your Obedient Servants,

*Crashaw & Riddle*

Under  
The Secretary of State  
Colonial Office  
London S.W.

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S.S. 27 November, 1915

Gentlemen,

I am directed by Mr Secretary Bonar Law to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 17<sup>th</sup> of November and to inform you that as the action ~~to~~ with regard to ~~was taken against~~ Messrs Schauer Waller & Co's property at Kiyaki to which you refer was

taken by the military authorities in the East

you should address yourselves to the War Department, a copy of your letter having been sent.

Very truly yours,  
Walter D. Page  
Secretary of State

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The Secretary  
War Office

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Mr. Harper 25/11/15

Mr. Bottomley 25/11/15

Mr.

Mr.

Sir G. Fiddes.

Sir H. Just.

Sir J. Anderson.

Mr. Steel-Maitland.

Mr. Bonar Law.

sir,

I enclose herewith  
I am to transmit

to you for the info

of the Army Council,

the acc. copy of a note

with memo fiddle and

fiddle on the subject

of the action of the

military authorities in the

East with regard to the

property of Gross Schauer

Keller & Co at Kiyabe Hill.

2. The previous

✓ Mr. Bonar Law (aff. work)

ans. relating to the  
closing of the hotel at  
Eagle Hill was sent  
yesterday m. o. with the  
ans from this Office of  
the 7<sup>th</sup> January.

ans.  
7/25/15

(At Waller D & P Co.)

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