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FOREIGN TRADE DEPARTMENT,
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15 March 1917.

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Any further communication
on the subject, please quote

No. 110192/41.

and address—

The Controller,
Foreign Trade Department,
Telephone: Gerrard Reg.

Sir,

With reference to your letter of the 16th ultimo (2788/1917) regarding the export of East African hides and skins to the United States of America and the business relations of Max Klein of Barcelona with Messrs. Boucher, Mortimore and Company, I am directed by Mr. Secretary Balfour to say, for the information of Mr. Secretary Long, that he concurs in the paragraphs in your letter numbered 2 and 3.

As regards the position of Max Klein I am to say that Mr. Balfour has addressed a note to the American Ambassador to ascertain whether the views of the American Government as to the status of Max Klein has been in any way modified since 1915, and a further communication will be addressed to you on this point when the Ambassador's reply has been received.

In the meantime Messrs. Boucher, Mortimore and Company have been asked if the allegation that Klein has been placing restrictions on the sale of his hides and skins in this country is correct, and if so, that they will furnish an explanation in the matter. The result of this enquiry will be communicated to you in due course

I am,

Sir,

Your most obedient,
humble Servant.

Will Spens

Under Secretary of State,
Colonial Office,
Buckingham Palace,
London, W.

Controller

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30 March 1917

Sr,

I have to transmit to you,

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The Secretary
Wa Trade Dept.

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- Mr. Jewell 28/3/17
- Mr. Botkin 28/3/17
- Mr.
- Mr. Grinnell
- Mr. Langport
- Mr. Reed
- Mr. G. Fisher
- Mr. Steel Matland
- Mr. Long

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for the information of the Director
of the W.T.D., copies of the comes
noted in the margin, regarding the
export of East African hides and skins
to the U.S. of America, and the
business relation of Max Klein

and Messrs Bantche Martineau & Co
It will be observed that the
this come is sent to the W.T.D.
from the Dept of the SAP of the 5th of
February 1917, in connection of
information with the trade relation
to the transportation of the
goods in this country, a note
which is for the contents of the
document of W.T.D.

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30 March 1917

Gentlemen

With reference to your letter

from this Department of the
15th of Nov 1916. I am etc to
inform you that it has been
found upon enquiry that the
restrictions on the shipment of
hides from the I.A.P. to the U.S. of
America direct are due not to
action by the I.A.P. Govt., but to the
action of the shipping companies
in refusing through bills of lading
to the U.S. Mr. Long reports
that he cannot interfere
in the matter.

2. The Govt. of the I.A.P.

DRAFT.

Boutche, Martineo & Co

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Mr. Jewell 28/3/17

Mr. Bottomley 28/3/17p

Mr.

Mr. Grindle.

Mr. Lambert.

Mr. Read.

Sir G. Fiddes.

Mr. Steel-Maitland.

~~Mr. Roman-Lee~~

30 March 17

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