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Mr. Tura RUNDGREN'S Coffee Farm

Application received for visa for E.A.P. from Swedish subject EKENDAHN who states he has been appointed manager of ~~_____~~. Has CO. any objection?

Mr. Robinson.

A minute is also required on Gov. 59533, but it seems best to deal with the letter from M.I.S.S.2. quickly and re-circulate as to the former paper which needs some consideration. Colonel Kell's Dept. ought to know just as much about Tura (or Fure) Rundgren as we do because all the information which we have either comes from them or has been communicated to them. So far as I can trace, all we know about him appears in the memo. which I have attached. The nature of the information therein does not incline me to say right off that there is no objection to Mr. Ekendahl going to E.A., and I think we should

? Telegraph in cypher, to O.A.C. of E.A.P., saying that this application for visa has been received referring to Report No. XIV and to Gov. 7298, paras. 12 and 13, and asking whether there is any objection to the grant of the visa to Ekendahl for the purpose named in this letter, and inform Colonel Kell of action taken referring to the sources of our information and saying that we are not

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This and (same) 10837

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It is a pity that Bingham is a person to whom assistance should be given in the way desired by Kenschaft.

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Mr. H. Head

As you said? But it will be a distinct extension of my present attention if we put obstacles in the way of menials developing brains they have already got.

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To Mr. H. Head

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At least proposed to
consult with the
in a private committee
(F.O. 12492) (EAT)

THRE (NIRE) RUNDGREN

1. This name appears in East. Col. Notley's Report XIV on Swedish activities as connected with Blixen Finecke and his associates. No details stated.

2. "Rundgren, Kikuyu" and "Rundgren, Athi River" appear as taking part in an unexplained telegraphic correspondence in April 1917, see Report No. XIV (Continuation). That report quotes ^{also} a letter from Rundgren to Ake Sjogren, Stockholm which shows the former as closely connected with the black-listed Swedo-African Coffee Company.

3. In November and December 1917 two applications to lease land in the F.A.P. were made to the local es Rundgren and refused. Rundgren was 318 Axel Bildt with \$4,500 capital in the 118 to purchase the Gilgil Estates. The 118 se failing owing to the Alienation of 118 ty (Restriction) Ordinance, 1917.

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WAR OFFICE.

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17158/M.A.S.D.2.

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11th December, 1918

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My dear Robinson,

We have received through M.C.O. Stockholm an application for a visa for E.F.A. from a Swede named Hilding Erik EKENDAHN who states that he has been appointed manager of Mr. Fure RUNDGREN'S coffee-farm Awala Estate, near Nairobi and puts up an autograph letter from that gentleman dated Stockholm 7.10.18 certifying that this is so.

We have no record about this man or his employer and the M.C.O. wishes to know whether he may grant a visa. Will you kindly let me know whether the Colonial Office has any objection?

Yours sincerely,

CWO/UEV

J.W.R. Robinson, Esq.,
Colonial Office.

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

(Sent 12.40 p.m. 18th December 1918)

18th December

Swedish subject Skondahl has applied
for visa in order to travel to East Africa
Protectorate where he has been appointed manager
of coffee farm late von Maron's Awala estate. As
to Hungarian information derived from Hatlay's
report of 20th April and 15th June 1917 and
para 13 of your secret despatch of
27th December 1918. As to grant of visa have you
any objection.

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

(Sent 12.10 p.m. 18th December 1918)

18th December

Special subject Skandabi has applied
for visa in order to travel to East Africa
Protectorate where he has been appointed manager
of coffee farms on the Sultan's Awala estate. As
to Raynes information derived from Natlay's
report of 20th April and 21st June 1917 and
para 10 of your secret despatch of
27th December 1917. As to grant of visa have you
any objection.

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Bowring Street.

16 December, 1918.

Dear General Kell,

With reference to your letter of the 11th of December (No.17156/M.I. 5.D.2.), we have telegraphed to the Acting Governor of the East Africa Protectorate asking whether there is any objection to the grant of a visa to enable Ekendahl to proceed to East Africa.

Our reason for doing so is that we are far from sure that Ekendahl's employe, Rundgren, is a person to whom any assistance should be given. His name appears in Lieutenant Colonel Notley's reports, Nos. XIV and XIV (Continuation) which you sent to us in your letters of the 6th of July and the 6th of September 1917. (reference No.194862/D); it is also mentioned in paragraphs 12 and 13 of Mr. Bowring's secret despatch of the 27th of December, a copy of which was sent to you in my letter of the 27th of February.

Yours sincerely
(sd) V.G.W. Kell

V.G.W. KELL, C.B.

we believe

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memo for Mr. Tomley's signature

18 December, 1948

~~Dear Colonel Kell,~~
with reference to your letter of the 11th of December, No. 17153

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V. G. W. Kell, CB

M. I. S. D. 2, we have telegraphed to the Agents of the

MINUTE

E.A.P. asking whether there is any objection to the grant of a visa to enable EKENDAHN to proceed to E.A.

- Mr. Mum 17 Jan 48
- Mr. Robin
- Mr.
- Mr. Grimes
- Mr. Lambert
- Sir H. Black
- Sir G. Fisher
- Mr. Howins
- Mr. Long

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Our reason for doing so is that we are far from sure that EKENDAHN'S employer, RONDGREN, is a person to whom any assistance should be given.

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His name appears in Year
book of College from Nov 18 and

XIV (Continuation) which you found
in the year book of the College
July and the 5th of Sept 1871

~~As 1871/2 and 1872/3~~
(reference to 1871/2)

is also mentioned in
and 13 of the 13th of December
of which was seen in
my letter of the 27th of January

(H) W.C.B.

P.F.30659/M.I.5.D.2.

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War Office,
Whitehall,
S.W.

5th February, 1919.

Dear Mr. Bottomley,

With reference to your letter dated the 18th December, 1918 regarding EKENDAHL, we should be glad to know if you have received any answer from the Acting Governor of the East Africa Protectorate as to whether there is any objection to the grant of a visa to enable him to proceed to East Africa.

Yours sincerely,

W. C. Bottomley

CGS/UEV

W.C. Bottomley, Esq.,
Colonial Office.

PARAPHRASE TELEGRAM From the Secretary of State for the Colonies to the Governor of the East Africa Protectorate.

(Sent 5.30 p.m 7th February, 1919).

7th February. My telegram of 18th December Swede.
A. K. K. reply requested.

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