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from Minister at 2d of Feb
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... be no use asking for adequate con-
dition, since we are fully prepared to insist on its being
aid and I would... in the latter event,
... until.

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unable to visit,

W. G. Thesiger.

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It is understood that, if possible, the mission will be joined on the Bonn plateau by an officer from the Pi-bor post, but, if this is not feasible, that the Abyssinian Government will waive their claim to insist on the presence of a bona fide official.

It has not been without considerable difficulty that the usual obstructive policy of the Government has been overcome and the above instructions observed, but I think that the question of the frontier is now on a fair way towards settlement, and that Tafari has informed that he intends to call up all the officers of the ^{1st} and 2nd Divisions, which is equivalent to a declaration that their services will be removed from those and other frontier posts as directed.

In cross-examining Fitawrari Isma'el, a witness was obtained from him the acknowledgment that he had received the terms of an Abyssinian proposal and had been talking about it for some time.

It remains to be considered what compensation the British Government wish to claim for those raids and the deaths of their officers and men. I have no doubt that we shall be able to force the Abyssinians to recognize that for the last six years they have been raiding, abducting and looting in British territory and that, even if the local chiefs really believed the frontier to be somewhere to the S.W. of Lake Rudolf, the British Government in spite of all our protests have made no effort to explain to them where the frontier as fixed by treaty really lay or to insist upon their recognizing the real boundary line and have so laid themselves open to a charge of criminal neglect.

It will however be

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Miss Abigail ...

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Adis Ababa.

January 14, 1919.

With reference to the statement of the Treasury
 Nairobi, of which I was informed by Mr. Sperling last
 week, to the effect that they could find no trace in
 the books of my having repaid the sum of six hundred and
 eight dollars, borrowed from Moyale on my journey
 to Nairobi in 1914, I have the honour to request that
 the authorities at Nairobi may be referred to my despatch
 of 18th January 1917 to Sir Henry Belfield, in which
 I stated that Mr. Dodson, hearing that I was about to
 remit the sum in question to Nairobi, asked that I
 should pay it to him, as this would save him a journey on
 the Nairobi Treasury.

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I have since forwarded Mr. Dodson's letter for
 your attention, and the authorities would need your
 approval.

Yours with the highest respect,

Sir,

Your most obedient,
 humble servant,

(signed) Wilfred G. Theisler.

Honourable
 Mr. James Balfour
 etc. etc. etc.
 His Majesty's principal secretary of State
 for Foreign Affairs,
 Foreign Office,
 London.

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6th March 1919

Sir

I am to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No. 23048/W/L of the 26th of Feb. enclosing a copy of a despatch from H.M. Consul at Aden, Malabar regarding the repayment of the sum of 678 dollars borrowed ~~from~~ by him on his return journey to Nairobi in 1914.

I am to request you to point out to Earl Curzon of Kedleston that some confusion appears to have arisen in this

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Nov 88 of the 7th of Aug, a copy of
which was enclosed with the letter from
this Dept of the 23rd of Oct, related 50003
to a sum of Rs 306-05 which was to
have been paid by the 70. The
CA further advised Particulars of
this transaction are given in the 70
copy to the Manager, (No. 105 (223624))
of the 2nd of Sept 1948. The Manager must
have a copy of the sum of 675 dollars
which he has to pay direct to the Govt of
the ... in regard to which he
has previously advised the State, since
the E.P. Govt do not enquire about it.

3. Lord Milner will be glad to know
whether the sum of Rs 306-05 has now
been paid by the 70 to the ...

(Signed) B. ...

(O.S.)

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The Director of Military Operations presents his compliments to the Under Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, and with reference to P.O. Letter No. 791/L/W of January 21st, enclosing a copy of a Note (No. 110) dated January 20th from the Italian Embassy, begs to state that no preparations for offensive military action against Abyssinia are in progress or contemplated.

It is probable that the Italian Government has learnt of the activity of the local military forces in the Karkhama country and in the Mongalia Province of Southern Sudan, this activity being purely defensive in so far as it relates to repelling Abyssinian raiders who habitually cross the British borders in search of ivory, etc., or designed to consolidate peaceful British administration in British territory.

In point of fact the British troops in East Africa are being reinforced and demobilized as rapidly as possible. Major-General ...

20th January, 1919.

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Earl Curzon of Kedleston presents his compliments
to the Italian ambassador and, with reference to his
ambassador's memorandum No. 110 of the 25th ultimo has
the honour to state that no military measures on the
Italian East Africa - Abyssinia frontier are in pro-
gress nor in contemplation which could affect the
status of the Italian country.

Apart from the steps taken by the local British
authorities to administer British Territory and to
maintain the peace and uphold British authority in
British Territory no military action has
been taken nor is in contemplation in connection

February 27th, 1919.

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Reference to previous correspondence To Foreign Office.
From

No. 20839/151 of Feb 19

The Under Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs presents his compliments to the Under Secretary of State for the Colonies, and is directed by the Secretary of State to transmit the accompanying copies of a telegram as

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Foreign Office

March 11 1919

(Similar letter sent

Paraphrase of tel. Mr. Campbell

(India: Hlubia) 2 Nov 1919

D. 4 p.m. 3 March 1919

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With ref to your tel No 15 steps

taken by Thieriger with Hysosim -

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South - no dispatch No 13 in its way.

Mr. Hodson left on the 15th of Feb as he

should reach Nepal on 20th with 10th of

March.

The American Chargé d'Affaires presents his compliments to Earl Curzon of Kedleston, and, with reference to the Note, No. 109, which Mr. Davis addressed to His Lordship on February 12th last, concerning the liquidation of the firm of Max Klein, has the honour to acquaint him that he is now in receipt of a further telegram from the Secretary of State in Washington, in which the following facts are set forth.

The Government of the United States has learnt with regret of the decision of His Majesty's Government to proceed with the liquidation of the firm above mentioned without permitting the lapse of sufficient time to enable it to submit the matter to the French courts, and to present its case in an appropriate manner to His Majesty's and the French Authorities respectively.

In the event that His Majesty's Government do not see their way to postpone the liquidation of the assets of this concern, it has been suggested to the Department of State that, with a view to mitigation of the damages which will be sustained by the firm in question, the goods belonging to the branch office at Mantassa should be sent to New York for sale, provided adequate guarantees are furnished by Mr. Max Klein. It has been further suggested that the proceeds of the sale of these goods be deposited to the credit of His Majesty's Government, to await final disposition, without prejudice to the rights of the firm of Max Klein through the United States Government.

Mr. Wright has been instructed by the Secretary of State to bring the suggestions outlined above to the attention of Lord Curzon, with the request that His Lordship may be so good as to cause the matter to receive the early consideration

consideration of the competent authorities of His Majesty's Government, with a view either to the postponement of the liquidation of this firm, or to the adoption of the procedure suggested herein for the disposition of the goods in question.

UNITED STATES EMBASSY,
LONDON,
March 10th, 1919.