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1915  
22 February  
Last previous Paper.  
14790

Intelligence  
as to German East Africa  
Reports as to Intelligence Officers  
at Tanga.

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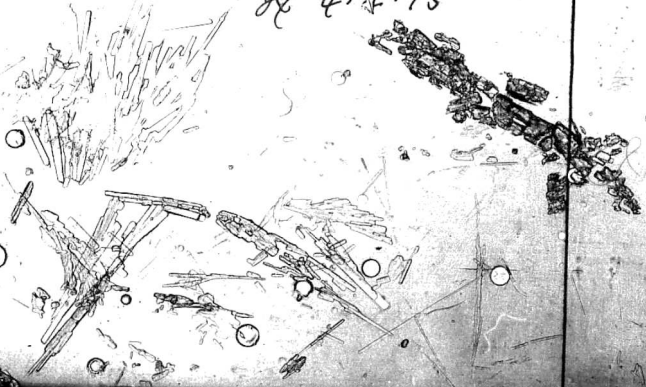
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EAST AFRICA PROTECTORATE.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,  
NAIROBI,  
BRITISH EAST AFRICA.

SECRET.

22nd February 1915.

Sir,

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I have the honour to refer to para. 2 of my Secret despatch of February 12 relating to Intelligence supplied by Captain R. B. Woosnam to General Aitken on his arrival in East Africa with 'B' Force, and to forward copy of a letter from Colonel Sheppard, who was Chief of General Aitken's staff, in reply to my enquiry as to whether the guide, a Greek named Laghos, furnished by Capt. Woosnam for the Force on landing at Tanga, was used for that purpose.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient humble servant,

*Alonso Bujad.*

GOVERNOR.

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE  
LEWIS HARCOURT, M.P.,  
SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES,  
DOWNING STREET,  
LONDON, S.W.

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SECRET.

No. 218.S.

ENCLOSURE  
In Document No. 217

Command Headquarters,  
Nairobi, the 11th February 1948

From  
THE GENERAL STAFF  
To  
THE HON. THE CHIEF SECRETARY,  
NAIROBI.

Sir,

In continuation of my No. 202.S of 1st February, I have the honour to state that it was understood that the Greek Laghos had an intimate knowledge of the country round Moschi only.

Lieutenant Ishmael, who had a fairly accurate knowledge of Tanga, accompanied the force and lost his life there.

Laghos informed Capt. Woosnam, after the Tanga fight, that the force should have landed north of the town; this, however, was quite impossible until the inner harbour had been swept for mines, which would greatly have increased the difficulties ~~if~~ ~~anywhere~~ had we waited until then.

I have the honour to be,

Yours most obediently,

(Signed) S. H. SHEPPARD,

Lieut. Col. in Charge  
GENERAL STAFF.