

1931.

Kenya.

No. 17028.

SUBJECT CO 533/406

Executive Council

Appointments and Resignations.

Previous

15451/30.

Subsequent

- 17080/31. List of Members.
- 3024/33.
- 23230/34.

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Mr. Moore 805 \_\_\_\_\_ 27 December '30  
 definite provisional appointment of Lord Selamie as  
 official member of Executive Council to fill vacancy  
 created by resignation of Mr. Conway Hervey, request  
 H.C. please be ascertained as to Lord Selamie's  
 definite appointment as an official member

It has been proposed in the  
 Council on 22/12/30  
 Dec. 23 1930  
 overlooked

copy - see in folder  
 copy for [unclear]

*Glanville*

24.1.31

*Acceptance*  
 27.1.31

W. C. 20/31

~~S. No. C. 115 - 1 Approved - 29 JAN 1931~~

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~~London Gazette - 10/1/31~~

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# Rev. Byrnes 281  
19 May  
Reports has appointed Mr. W.C. Mitchell to  
be temporarily officiating member of Executive  
Council during absence of Capt. Schwartz,  
give list of membership of Council.

1891/2 on line 7  
1892/3 on 157237-2

136-31

... in order desirable to  
... as possible the app't of  
... of foreign countries  
... but if that seems  
... in this case as proposed.

Shinker  
16.6.21

As Mr Mitchell was <sup>recognized</sup> ~~appointed~~ as  
Hon Swedish Consul in March  
1891/2 (was subsequently  
in July 92's app't: a member of  
the Exec Council (officially it is  
best possible to take exception  
now on the technical ground

17/6/21

The more I think of it, the  
more I agree with the  
late Governor's objection to

1891/2  
320587/2

irresponsible officials on  
the Executive Council. But  
when it is, I don't suggest  
that this appointment  
should be queried.

But  
the  
by  
to  
but  
on  
the  
C  
that  
the

However Mr Mitchell  
app't. was not, I think, the  
confirmed: it is only  
temporary - but see a  
letter for (S). Byrnes  
saying that we do not  
like hon. consuls ap-  
pointed for the  
Sw. Co. - that we did  
not realize in 1925  
that Mr Mitchell, who  
previously placed on the  
Sw. Co. was hon. consul  
of Sweden - & we hope  
that in future G.W. will



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Mr J. Byrne to \_\_\_\_\_ 4 August  
will bear in mind point about appointment  
to Executive Council of Honorary Councils of  
Foreign Governments.

Mr C. Rottmeier has been 15  
then it may be put by  
Gibson 27/8

Mr. Rottmeier

with the view in which  
in which case I see

I hope the point in para 3

has been written as to  
Chief Executive if request

Mr. Allen

28/8

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Mr Kenya — 639 A. — 11/1/31  
has provisionally appointed Rev Canon Harry  
Leakey to be temp temporarily the Non-UNIFFL  
Member of the Exec Ccil representing the  
interests of the African Community, in the place  
of Canon Burns. Has also provisionally  
appointed Canon Leakey to be temporarily  
an UNIFFL Member Exec Ccil during  
Canon Burns absence.

See minutes on 17/1/31

Mr Kenya — 839 — 28/1/31  
(No S. Ann)

Lead on 17/1/31 No 22

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Mr. Kenya — 667 — 28/1/31 5  
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has provisionally appointed Lt Colonel Lord  
Francis Scott to be an UNIFFL member  
of the Exec Ccil in the place of the late  
Lord Belmore. Has also approval  
for the definitive appnt of Lord Francis  
Scott.

Mr Kenya — 639

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has provisionally appointed  
Lt Colonel Tucker to be temp  
of the Exec Ccil in the place of  
Lord Belmore. Has also approval  
for the definitive appnt of Lord Francis  
Scott.

On the assumption that

in Nov 19 at 1.1 will be appointed  
for London. Mr Mitchell and also  
during Captain Swartz's absence, and  
has left the Colony. Colonel Tucker is  
him.

Gladstone

1.1.32

Under knows what the title "P.D."  
means

Lord of St Montague Douglas-Scott's  
definitive appnt to be gazetted  
Shirley

1.1.32

Mr C. Rottmeier see also 15

Mr. Allen

2/1/32

Mr. Howell

Please advise as to the "fill  
consequence". Lord Belmore was not  
to be the end if it comes to the

Horizontal  
Memorandum

extraneous of formal address, is  
not a Duke's son also "Right  
Honourable"? ? omit the two words!

C.L.S.

21/1/32

4/1/32

the letter was returned to me,

C.L.S.

4/1/32

The draft is apparently correct as it  
stands, so I have forward it.

C.L.S.  
21/1/32

- 12 To Gov. G (10 answered) } 6 Jan. 1932
- 12 " " " (11 " ) }
- 14 To London Gazette 12 Jan. /32

Very truly Note

For comm. regarding appointment of Abdul Wahid

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1/2 to 6

seen  
no final action  
required. W:  
9/17

Rec'd. to C. S. D.  
to consider whether  
any other formal  
action is required  
all P

to be temporarily an  
Unofficial Member of the  
Executive Council of Kenya  
during the absence from the  
~~Chair of the~~ of

C. O.

17028/31 Kenya

Mr. Eastwood 117

Mr. *Parkinson* 17.31



Downing Street,

JDBA

Executive Member of the Executive

absence.

~~This letter is merely to say  
that we have not discovered, what we~~

did not realise in 1925 when he was  
previously placed on the Executive  
Council, that ~~Mr.~~ Mitchell is Honorary  
Consul <sup>for</sup> Sweden. I don't suppose that  
in point of fact any difficulty has  
arisen in this particular instance, but

on

Mr. Eastwood 117

Mr. *Richardson* 7.31

Downing Street,



**DRAFT**

...member of the Executive  
...  
absence.

~~This letter is merely to say~~  
~~Mr. Deak of the Bank was asked to~~  
~~but we have now discovered what we~~  
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Conrad, that Mr. Mitchell is Honorary

previously placed on the Executive

in 1926 when he was

~~that we have now discovered what we~~

~~These letters are merely to say~~  
Mr. de Qu. 4 1926 was read as

absence.

... .. Captain Robert ...

... .. member of ...

Downing Street,

Mr. Eastwood 117

17.31

17028/31 Kenya

C. O.

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thought to be a good thing that

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Executive

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member, and though it would doubtless

be politically inexpedient to leave both

posts vacant, it might be preferable sometimes

not to make temporary appointments when

no obvious person

there is ~~no one obvious~~ <sup>2</sup> having ability,

absolute discretion and also an assured

position in the Colony.

Yours sincerely,

W C BOTTOMLEY.

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thought to be a good thing that  
honorary consults of foreign  
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KENYA.

NO. 281



GOVERNMENT HOUSE  
NAIROBI,  
KENYA.

RECEIVED  
11 JUN 1931  
COL. OFFICE

19<sup>th</sup> MAY, 1931.

My Lord,

With reference to Mr. Amery's telegram of the 29<sup>th</sup> of March, 1926, I have the honour to state that I have appointed Mr. William Charles Mitchell to be temporarily an Unofficial Member of the Executive Council during the absence from the Colony of Captain Schwartz and to request that this appointment be submitted to His Majesty.

Mr. Mitchell came to Kenya in 1919. He is a director of Messrs. G. North & Sons, a South African firm and of various newspapers and commercial activities in East Africa. He is a past-President of the Nairobi Chamber of Commerce and of the East African Chambers of Commerce. He has previously served upon the Executive and Legislative Councils, is a member of the Agricultural Advances Board, is Honorary Consul for Sweden and takes an active part in local affairs.

3. With reference to Your Lordship's Circular despatch of the 23rd September, 1930, the following is a list of the membership of the Executive Council:-

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- The Colonial Secretary.
- The Attorney General.
- The Treasurer.
- The Chief Native Commissioner. (Mr. A. de V. Wade, O.B.E. Principal Assistant to the Chief Native Commissioner acting in the absence of Mr. G.V. Maxwell.)
- The Commissioner for Local Government, Lands and Settlement.

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE LORD PASSFIELD, P.C.,  
SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES,  
DOWNING STREET,  
LONDON, S.W.1.

*Handwritten:* 48-7799/26

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C. O.

1/028/31 Kenya

Mr. Eastwood 117

Mr. Parkinson 7.31

Downing Street,

C.  
R 1-JUL  
D.

June 1931

Go for Sir C. Bottomley's signature

DRAFTS

K.C.M.G., K.B.E., C.B.

A despatch is coming by this  
mail conveying His Majesty's confirma-  
tion of the provisional appointment of  
W.O. Mitchell to be temporarily an  
unofficial member of the Executive  
Council during Captain Schwartz's  
absence.

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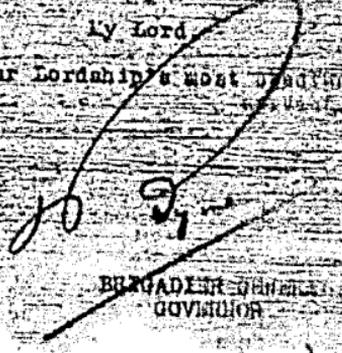
LONDON, S.W.1.

The Director of Medical and Sanitary Services.  
 The Director of Agriculture. (Mr. H. Wolfe, Deputy  
 Director (Plant Industry), acting in the  
 of Mr. A. Holm, C.B.E.).  
 The Director of Education.  
 The Right Honourable Lord Dalmeida, C.B.E.  
 Captain the Hon. H. E. Schwartz, M.C. (a  
 Mitchell acting in the absence of Captain  
 Schwartz).  
 Rev. Canon the Hon. G. Burns, C.B.E.

I have the honour to

By Lord

Your Lordship's most obedient



A large, handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to be 'D. Dalmeida', is written over the typed text. The signature is slanted and covers the words 'Your Lordship's most obedient' and the name 'D. Dalmeida'.

BRIGADIER GENERAL  
GOVERNOR