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3. 20. Mr. from Mr. McEnlee, M.P. to Soft dated
29th March, 35
Mr. Freeston 3

The Secretary of State has received
the attached letter from Mr. Mountee, M.P., perhaps
the Department would put up a draft reply.

L.H. [Signature]

30.3.35.

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5. i. Maggy

Mr. McEnlee has been the spokesman of
the K U R. As a result employees for years as it is natural
that they should write to him rather than address the High
Comm^r for Transport. All the same the practice has got to
be discouraged if possible

The reply was taken from a telegram & it is
possible that what the telegram meant was that even one
had had all his local leave & so on before being engaged on
the new scheme while the branches are trying to persuade
or Mr. Enlee that it means that they were all to be engaged
on the same terms as before

I think Mr. Enlee's draft will do well. I have
made an attempt to suggest that the regions should follow
the proper course & appeal to the High Comm^r if they find it
can only be because they have no case and know it means
can really imagine a Baber who has a case not appealing
to all places at once? and the same he does not say
just & then only in the other place of no, jeds

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H. To McEnlee (20) (Banded)

3 April, 35.

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Mr. *Fenton* 1/4

Mr. *Hood* 1/4

Mr.

Mr. Parkinson

Sir G. Tomlinson

Sir C. Bottomley

Sir J. Shuckburgh

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X Secretary of State

For S. of S. signature

3 apr. 1935

~~Do~~ —

Dear Mr. *McEulie*

I have your

letter of March the 29th

The reply I gave to

your question in the

House on the 6th of February

was based on direct

information from the

East African Railway

authorities, and before

I ask them for further

particulars I should be

glad to know in

what respects the Union

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V.L.H. *Enter* Esq. M.P.

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is dissatisfied. Perhaps you will
be good enough to let me
have more details of their
complaints, and an assurance
that they have already
approached the local authorities
on the subject. If they have not,
they should obviously do so before appealing
to ~~me~~ you or to me.

if they have given
you any.

Yours
Truman

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29th March, 1935.

Dear Sir Philip

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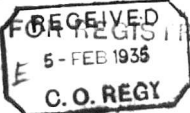
You will remember that on ~~January~~ ^{February} 6th you were good enough to answer at length a question I asked on the subject of the terms of the new employment of Indian workers on the Kenya and Uganda Railway.

You then stated that although the method of service was being remodelled "all the artisans before being re-engaged were granted all the benefits and privileges that had accrued to them under the terms of service previously applicable". I have, however, now received a letter from the Union to which these men belong, stating that effect has not been given to the statement which you then made, and I should be grateful therefore if you could ask the East African Authorities to look into the matter and see what the exact position is.

End (u)

*Yours faithfully
L. D. White*

The Rt. Hon. Sir Philip Lister, M.P.
Colonial Office,
S.W.1.



Telegram from the High Commissioner for Transport Kenya
Uganda Railway to the Secretary of State for the Colonies
Dated 5th January 1935. Received at 3.25 pm 8th January

No 1

No 2. Your telegram No 3 question being asked in Parliament.
Position is as follows (1) (a) 165 artisans in lowest paid
grade were given due notice of termination of their agreements
and were offered and accepted re engagement at daily rates of
pay with privilege travel concessions free medical attention
in case of injury sustained on duty or attributable to the
nature or locality of their employment. (b) All these 165
artisans were locally engaged except seven who were originally
indentured from India. Return passages to India for these
seven will be granted when required. (c) All these artisans
before being re engaged were granted all the benefits and
privileges that had accrued to them under the terms of service
previously applicable. (2) In addition to the 165 artisans
referred to 387 artisans have been engaged for the first time
on the same conditions as those mentioned in (1).
(3) It is not intended to revert to the terms of service
previously applicable to such indentured cases for such a course
cannot economically be justified (b) All artisans engaged
can now be engaged locally on the present terms (c) no
conditions ~~are~~ are extended to corresponding labour engaged
by the Government or private employers and this principle is
included in proposed local civil service scheme (4) Practice
of employing such labour on daily rates of pay is allowed on
other colonial railways such as Benguela, Nigeria, etc.

Sept 20 1935
L. Hart

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Room No 297

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Mr. Freeston 21/1/35

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Sir G. Tomlinson

Sir C. Bottomley.

Sir J. Shuckburgh

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Secretary of State.

Ans'd 2
Kenya

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~~Telegraph~~ ~~Letter~~

No. 3

Question that follows has been asked in Parliament. Please telegraph without delay as fully as possible to enable me to reply. Question begins - whether my attention has

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Highways
Nairobi

*31. Mr. M. Ender. To ask the Secretary of State for the Colonies whether his attention has been called to the cancellation of the agreements of a large number of Indian employees of the Kenya and Uganda railways, whereby they lose as their protection a system of employment and are placed on a daily wage system with only outages whatever; how many artisan employees have been subjected to this change of employment methods; and when it is proposed to revert to the more equitable system of engagement which has hitherto existed.

Question ends. 6th February
6th February

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