

1937

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KENYA

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KENYA ROYAL NAVAL VOLUNTEER RESERVE

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TITLE.

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(27 & 28 on 1936 file ansd.) Requests post be offered to Blunt on terms indicated and states that urgency has not permitted prior reference to other contributing Governments but position is being explained to them through the Sec. of the Gov's Conference.

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J.P.

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I think so: perhaps it's not too much.

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J.J. Passin  
6/1

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S.I.W. Howard 6/1

J.P. 6/1

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J.J. Pascoe  
6/1

Yes: Commander Wood told me Mr. Blunt was the man for the job.

J.J. Pascoe  
6/1

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I have taken over V.F. and cancelled  
the old one

7/1/37

2 to Adams. 21st Jan 37

D & Blunt apply Commanding Officer  
of the ... R.A.F.R. ... 25858 E.H.

DATE: 21.1.37.  
For information of S. of S. for the Colonies,  
copies of letters received from Mr. A.D. Cameron,  
concerning the private affairs of Commander Blunt.

Mr. Hood  
I spoke to you ... you said that there  
was no need to pass this on to Kenya  
It will be referred to ...

J.P. Cameron  
27/1

(This should be  
referred to the  
personnel file)

Mr. Duffice  
Sgt. G. Tomkinson

Please see Mr. Blunt's file is missing of  
course

I do not think we can set up as censors of morals  
He would not ~~lose~~ lose an Army or Navy post by reason  
of getting into the Divorce Court, & he would not - now - lose  
a Colonial post. In any case it will be no novelty in Kenya.

I think we should acknowledge simply

27/1

[If he had been appointed it might tell against him - though  
he might follow higher example & say he could not do the job

Now received

I think the reply (to the Admiralty)  
should be that the matter has been  
recorded but that as at present  
advised the S.G.S. does not propose  
to take any action

J.P. Cameron  
27.1.37

S.J.D. D  
27.1.37

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C. O.

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Mr. Paine

20/1/36

Mr.

Mr.

Sir C. Parkinson.

Sir G. Tomlinson.

Sir C. Bottomley.

Sir J. Shuckburgh.

Permt. U.S. of S.

Party. U.S. of S.

Secretary of State.

**DRAFT.**

Re See.

Admiralty

Copy on 25858 (Lt. E. Blunt)

**FURTHER ACTION.**

Sir,

I am in a very happy receipt  
of your letter No. C.W./P. 05129/36  
of the 9<sup>th</sup> of Dec. & to request  
you to inform the  
Commissioners you doubt  
that he has  
Commander D. E. Blunt for  
in post of Commanding  
officer & instructor for the  
Kenya Royal Naval  
Volunteer Reserve, that  
arrangements have been  
made for Comd. Blunt to  
attend a course of  
instruction in wireless  
which commenced  
on 17<sup>th</sup> of January, &  
to proceed to a course of  
a vessel at sea in the  
Channel England on the  
6<sup>th</sup> of March.

The O.A.G. of Kenya

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Sir G. Tomlinson

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Sir J. Shuckburgh

Permt. U.S. of S.

Partly. U.S. of S.

Secretary of State.

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Sir,

I am in receipt of your letter No. C.W./P. 05129/36 of the 9<sup>th</sup> of Dec. & to request you to inform the Admiralty Commission as to the result of the test conducted by Commander D. E. Blunt for the purpose of commanding officer & instructor for the Kenya Royal Naval Volunteer Reserve, that arrangements have been made for Comd. Blunt to attend a course of instruction in swimming which commenced on the 17<sup>th</sup> of January, & to permit to a course of a vessel etc. in the Channel Islands & the 6<sup>th</sup> of March.

The O.A.S. of Kenya

Copy on 25858 (2. Blunt)

DRAFT.

The Sec.  
Admiralty

**FURTHER ACTION.**

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has reported that 'Aunt Blunt's'  
children in the R.N.V.R. was  
issued on the 16<sup>th</sup> of January.

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(Signed) J. E. W. FLOOD

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Telegram from the Officer Administering the Government of  
Kenya to the Secretary of State for the Colonies.

Dated 5th January, 1937. Received 3.47.p.m. 5th January.

No. 2. Secret.

(28) 38009/36

Your secret despatches of the 24th December  
and demi official letter from Floud of the 22nd December. (27) 38009/36

Shall be glad if the post can be offered to Blunt subject  
to strict medical examination on the following terms.

Salary £600 per annum consolidated, no quarters or allowance  
in lieu of. first class privileges, agreement for one tour  
of 36 to 48 months with leave at the rate of four days a  
month, half pay on voyage and whilst at minesweeping course  
which it is imperative he should take on the 17th January  
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