

1938

Kenya

No. 38009/1

SUBJECT.

C0533/489

Kenya Royal Naval Volunteer Reserve

Provision of Further Equipment

Previous

1934 file

Subsequent

1939 file

C.I.
R.N.V.R.

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Letter and copies of email to (1) 2 (2) same etc.

J.J. Pascoe
1. 24/1
amend

3. de Kenya 62 (7/1. 2) A/1 - 31 JAN 1938

C.I.
P.N.V.R.

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Clough White 24/1

Better copy of encl. G 192 G
same et.

J. J. Pravin
24/1

3. Kenya 62 (M. 1000/1/37) A/1 - 31 JAN 1938

4. Gov. Kenya 36 24.1.38
Ltr 51 in 937 file requests checks to be conveyed to Union
Castle Mail Steamship Co. for undertaking to ship the two
cases free of ocean freight to Mombasa.

Write to the Company
ref. 44 in the '37 file
informing them that the
Gov. has asked the S. P.
as in para. 2.

Copy the letter to
Gov. ref. LF ref. three
to C.A. ref. (47) in '37
file.

11 lines
67 p. awe
3. 2

5. Crown Agents 38

~~DESTROYED UNDER STATUTE~~

To copy of letter sent to Admiralty on 5.2.38 stating that it is now
probable that the whaler by S.S. 'Medusa' sailing about 2nd March.

I have added the drafts in view of (5)
and of confirmation by telephone that
the first whaler is to go by S.S. 'Medusa'

Clotworthy
11/2

6 To B.I.S.N. Co. 18.2.38

~~DESTROYED UNDER STATUTE~~

7 To C.A. (w/c 6) B/C 18.2.38

8 To Kenya 91 (No. 6) A. 1. 18 FEB 1938

~~DESTROYED UNDER STATUTE~~

Gray, Deane & Co. (Agents B.I.S.N. Co., Ltd.) 22.2.38

Ltr (6) states that they were pleased to do of course in the matter

? Party

Done

26.4.38

Clotworthy
at once 25/2/38

10 C.A. (5/2206) 8.3.38

~~DESTROYED UNDER STATUTE~~

Letter sent to the Admiralty on 7.3.38 enquiring when second
whaler is likely to be ready for shipment.

? Hardly necessary to pass this on to Kenya: so
put by

Clotworthy 11/3

J.P. Pearson
11/12/3

11. C.A. (S.2/9972) 15.3.38.

Request authority to pay £234. 17. 2 to the Admiralty being the third annual instalment in respect of the cost of minesweeping equipment supplied to Govt. of Kenya (Receivable Order to be returned).

This is quite in order - see No 3 on 38009/1/36 and No 20 on 38009/1/37. ? Advance payment.

Clarke White
18/3

J.J. Parnin
19/3
at once

12. C.A. (w/origencd in 11). (Harrod) 30.3.38
DESTROYED

13. To Conf of East African (w/c 12) Govs. 30.3.38

14. To Kenya - Secret (w/c 12) ay 31/3/38

15. Kenya - Secret 10.3.38
Copies shall be sent to the Admiralty at that price the steam vessel of draft "Hornet" could be made available for Kenya R.N.V.R. - would appreciate Admiralty giving Kenya Govt. first opportunity to acquire

16. Kenya Dep, Kenya - Secret (3) 14.3.38
Details given in which he requests that assurances be obtained that the "Al Sidi" will not be used for troop carrying but will be left at disposal of Zanzibar Govt. in time of war on condition that they make the "Al Hathira" available for minesweeping service at Mombasa in exchange for the "Nguru" or other vessel.

Transferred to 38009/7/38 Secret

No 15

? Copy to Army Secret LF ref. (48) on -/37 asking to be decided what answer should be returned.

No 16

? Copy to Army in short draft saying that Sops. would be glad if an assurance action lines of para 4 ^{can} ~~may~~ be given.

Clarke White 4/1

Mr Paskin spoke about this before going on leave. No 16, although it gives no reference to previous concept, is really an answer to No 10 on -/37. It also fits in to the concept with the Gov's Conference ending with No 9 on 38009/5/37. In writing to the Army it will therefore be necessary to refer to No 10 on -/37, a copy of which was enclosed in the letter to the Army at No 8 on 38009/5/37. Draft here with cursor.

Clarke White 4/1

~~Mr Macdonald~~

Mr Macdonald has shown me the concept on 4/11/38 Zanzibar as you suggested. No 16 however contains the same request, from the Kenya end, as is made from the Zanzibar end on (6) on 4/11/38. But there is a small difference, namely that Kenya suggests that the Army should be approached whereas the Zanzibar end request has been referred to the B/T. ? It will be

Noted on 4/11/38
Sufficient in view of (8) on 4/11/38 Co
note on this file Co b. u. when
a reply Co that take is at

Clothing White
8/4

For I should say so. Presumably
the draft in question of the 3/17
is the "statutory authority" in this
case. No Howard may like to see

St. Campbell
8/4 at once

See transfer
H. H. H.
8/4

Action p. 15

17. C.A. (5/2206)

7.4.38

State that the second whale has been shipped freight free on
the S.S. "Malaria" on 2.4.38 & that both whales have, though,
been carried by the British India Steam Navigation Company's steamer.

? Copy Co Gov. L.F. ref. No 8. (If the
Gov wants another check for other, on
the lines of No 6, sent to the Company
he will no doubt say so)

Clothing White 8/4

? Action on No 15 as proposed above

Clothing White 8/4

J. J. Cassin
19/4
at once

20/5

18 Toilding (1/18 on 1937) file no 4 - low
4/12 No 15

21 APR 1938

19 To Kenya 2/4. (4/1. 17) 9/1. 28 APR 1938

11/5

see minutes on 4/11/38 K.L.A.

20 To Kenya secret (w/c 13 on 4/11/38 K.L.A.)
Transferred to draft on
38009/1/38 secret

21. Naval Store Dept. Reimport - 175 38
~~DESTROYED UNDER STATUTE~~

These are the enclosed copies of issue vouchers in
resp. of the two 25' whales. Check that 2 copies
may be accepted & returned.

The despatch of the two whales
in question is noted at (9) &
(17) respectively.

The purpose of these duplicate
vouchers seems to be to give
the Naval Store Dept a receipt
for the whales. I do not think
the Co. can do that.

I rang up Mr Blumfield of C.A.
who agreed that C.A. cd dispense
y (21) to his trans. we.

? As in d.h.

Minward will
2-6.

A real event of which we should
gladly take advantage

St. Campbell
2/6

22 To C.A. (w/c 21 original) 9/6/38
~~DESTROYED UNDER STATUTE~~

11 CA (52/9972) 15.3.38.

Request in order to pay £234.17.2 to the Admiralty being the third annual instalment in respect of the cost of muzzling equipment supplied to Govt. of Kenya (Receipts book to be returned).

This is quite in order - See No 3 on 38009/1/36 and No 20 on 38009/1/37. ? Insurance payment.

Clark White
19/3

J.P. Pascoe
19/3
as above

12 To CA (w/c 1019) (11 avod) 30.3.38

DESTROYED. DATE NOTED

13 To Conf of East African (w/c 12) 30.3.38
Governors

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Clotchy White
8/4

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is the "stating authority" in this
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See transfer
Howard
8/4

Stu Campbell
8/4 at once

Action for (15)

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Clotchy White 12/4

? Action on No 15 as proposed above

Clotchy White 7/4

J.P. Cassin
12/4
at once

28/5

18. Toildmy (418 on 1937 file and 2 - low) 28 APR 1938

19. To Kenya 24th. (4/6. 17) 28 APR 1938

WLS

see minutes on 41170/38 Klen

20. To Kenya Secret (4/6. 13 on 41170/38 Klen) draft on 26
38009/4/38 Secret 5 38

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~~DESTROYED UNDER STATUTE~~
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Stu Campbell
2/6

22. To B.A. (4/6. 21 original) 9/6/38
~~DESTROYED UNDER STATUTE~~

23 Gov. 304 _____ 30 5 38
Asks that expression of thanks may
be conveyed to the British India Steam
Navigation Company

Write to L. Co. ref. 6
acc. & send copy of the
letter to Gov. w/ L.F.
ref. This.

Copy of this & the letter
to C.A. w/ L.F.

(1 line)

W. J. Mawle
18.6

24 To B.I.S.N. Coy _____ 24 JUN 1938
STATUTE
To Kenya 366 (No. 24) 23 Amend 9/1. 27.6.38

26 To C.A. (w/c 239 24) L.F. _____ 28 JUN 1938

27 Admiralty M 05755/27 _____ 18.6.38
States that certain repairs are necessary
to the steam winch of the drifter
Hoodside & asks for early reply as to
whether these should be put in hand.
Reply that a copy is being sent to the Gov. for comment
& ? copy to Kenya (i.e. ref (15))
for comment.

Drumstall
29-6.

J. J. Paine
29/6
or over

28 To Admiralty - Secret - (27 amend) _____ 12 JUN 1938
DESTROYED UNDER STATUTE

29 To Kenya (w/c 18 (Amend), 27 & 28) 9/1. 16.7.38
(15 Amend.) C.A.

30 To Gov's Secy. G.B.S./1 _____ 24/7/38
Transferred to 38009/7/38
Secret
Two copies of correspondence addressed to Gov's
of Uganda and Zanzibar.

31 Governor 465. _____ 17/9/38
Enquiries whether three Dept. change schemes
necessary for Kenya R.N.V.R. can be
obtained from Admiralty and on what terms

Send as in draft herewith
Cloth White 21/8

To Admiralty (w/c 31) (Amend) _____ 5/9.38
DESTROYED UNDER STATUTE

All the reply received to the 29
Burgay
29/7 11/9/38

? Wait a fortnight if nothing is
in by then, remind L.F.

Cloth White
16/6

33 Kenya Tel Secret - unclassified _____ 17/9/38
Repairs to winch of Hoodside to be executed
without delay. Second winch also required.

Draft submitted comment

Cloth White
19/9

34 See Admiralty (27) (12) 9. 38
Secret

35 *Handwritten initials* of *Handwritten initials* 34. D/O. Secy. 29/9/38

36 L. Kenya (1/2.34). A/1. 3. 10 38
(33 Amend.)

37 Mr Agle 3/2206 1/10/38

Encls (for return) receivable order amounting to £65-11-6, and supporting vouchers, being the cost of supply of two whales, and enquire whether amount may be paid from the funds.

37 This is in order. See (29)

as - (37).

? Advance payment

32

The Army will hardly have had time to deal with this yet. ? Wait a while.

Clothe White 8/10

J.J. Cassin
X/T

Handwritten signature

No reply received to no 32. J.J. Jackson 9/10

Noted 9/10

38 No: CA (37 Amend) (Warrant in 37) - 18/10/38

UNDER STATUTE

No acknowledgment has been received to No 34.

J.J. Jackson 29/7
21/10

No doubt they are getting on with it B.U. 2 wks if no reply by then.

Handwritten signature

26. x *Handwritten signature*

Noted 9/10

39 Admiralty Ref 32, three Dupl Change tickets with necessary accessories, could be supplied to R.N.V. Row repairment boat would be approximately £400.00 per set.

? As in d.h.

Handwritten signature

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30 L. Kenya 671-31 Amend 9. 11 38

DESTROYED UNDER STATUTE

B.U. as directed in minute of 26/10.

J.J. Jackson 29/7
11/11

? Yarned L.T.

Clothe White 11/11

J.J. Cassin
11/11

Handwritten signature

(Secret) 41 To: Sec Admiralty B/6. ^{6/12} 15-11-38.

42. Lr. Apts 52/9972. — 15/11/38

Encl. copy of further letter from Director of Navy Accounts, with Receivable Order for £556.6.9 (for return) Enquires whether to pay amount from Kenya funds.

~~The principle~~

The payment is all right in principle — see minute of 7/12/37 as -/37 file — and the figures have no doubt been checked by the CA, who have not told us about the "duplicated charge for freight" referred to in the encl.

Authorise in D. L.

Clotheswhite

19/11

P.S. £ 356/6/9 — the sum asked for — plus 33/15/0 — the "duplicated charge" which has been deducted — equals £ 390/1/9 which, in the minute referred to in -/37 file, was stated to be the sum remaining to be paid. So it seems quite correct.

43 Dep Gov. Feb 187.

Ref no. Requests three chutes to be despatched immediately by Admiralty. Relative charges to be paid by Mr Apts, since savings available.

draft submitted

Clotheswhite 28/11

J.P. Passin
28/11

at once

~~To: Admiralty~~
DESTROYED UNDER STATUTE (62 and) (1925 and 1939)
L.S. 19: CA.

29.11.38

of instructions
29/11/38

Admiralty

3/12/38

DESTROYED UNDER STATUTE

Ref 44. Arrangements have been made for three Dept change chutes to be despatched to Kenya as soon as possible. Particulars of cost will be communicated to Mr Apts.

No reply to 27041
J.P. Passin 29/11/38

41 - ? wait a fortnight

44 + 45

L.F. action on the former

should be completed without delay.

46

? Copy to Gen L.F. ref 43; and copy to CA in same L.F. as Encl sending Gen copy of 44.

Clotheswhite
8/12

J.P. Passin
8/12

at once

47 To CA (47e39434446) B/c. 19.12.38

48 To Kenya 774 (7/e.46). A/P. 21.12.38
(423 Amended.)

429 To Kenya Street - (7/e 42 (7/e.46) & 45 (7/e.46)). A/P. 21/12/38

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50 br. A/c 52/9972 _____ 17/12/38

Encls Receivable Order and voucher for sum of £2 0 10 received from Admiralty in connection with mine sweeping equipment for R. N. V. R. Enquires whether payment may be made from Kenya funds

Ref. minute of 8/12
There is still no
reply to no 41
J.G. Jackson. 29/12
22/12

50. ? authorise payment in usual
bank draft, asking CA to Cell Kenya.

X 41 ? now returned again.

Clodf White
23/12

J.G. Jackson
23/12

~~50~~ To CA. (50 Amd) (47e-40450) 5.1.39
DESTROYED UNDER STATUTE

R 96
Action out - Y. at X
52 To Admiralty B/6. 16.1.39

47 To: CA (47/2394344.46) D/c. 19/12/38

48 To: Kenya 774 (47/2.46). A/1. 21. 12. 38
(43 Amund.)

49 To: Kenya Secret. (47/2.46) & 45 (47/2.46). A/1. 21/12/38.

JESTRO. D JINER STATUTE

50 br Agto 52/9972 _____ 17/12/38

Encls Receivable Order and voucher for sum of £20.10 received from Admiralty in connection with mine sweeping equipment for R. N. V. R. Enquires whether payment may be made from Kenya funds

Ref. minute of 8/12
There is still no
reply to no 41
J Jackson. 29/12
22/12

50. ? authorize payment in usual
short draft, asking CA to call Kenya.

X 41 ? how returned again.

Clorky White
20/12

J. J. Basani
23/12
done

JESTRO. D JINER STATUTE

51 To: CA. (50 Amund.) (47/2.46) 5-1-39

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Action on 1/12/38 at X

52 To: Admiralty A/6. _____ 16.1.39

(To issue with D.H.)

38009/1/38

C.O.

Mr. C. G. White 19/11

Mr. Thomas 22/11

Mr.

Mr. A. J. Dawe.

Sir H. Moore.

Sir G. Tomlinson.

Sir J. Shuckburgh.

Permt. U.S. of S.

Parly. U.S. of S.

Secretary of State.



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29 NOV 1938

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DRAFT.

CA.

(A2)

Receivable order
2nd end to (A2)

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1938

Gentlemen

I am etc to ask the receipt of your letter 52/9972 of the 15th of Nov and to request you to pay the sum of £356/6s/9d from Kenya funds to the Director of Navy Accounts, being the third and last instalment of the cost of certain stores supplied to the Govt of Kenya

2. The receivable order enclosed in your letter is returned herewith.

FURTHER ACTION.

Copy of this and of A2 + the end (not receivable order) to Kenya Lf. See ref. 50 p. 1/37 p. 2.

Paul Thomas

(To issue with D.H.)

38009/1/38

C.O.

Mr. Cortright 19/11
Mr. Thomas 22/11 p.

45

3/6

Mr. A. J. Dawe.

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29 NOV 1938

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Secretary of State.



DRAFT.

CA.

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~~Receivable order~~
2nd. end to (A2)

Copy to Kenya (A2)

FURTHER ACTION.

Copy of this and of A2 + M end (not receivable order) to Kenya L.F. Secret of. 50 p. 1/37/38

2. The receivable order enclosed in your letter is returned herewith.

34009/11/38

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COPY FOR REGISTRATION

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^{Deputy}
TELEGRAM from the Governor of Kenya to the Secretary
of State for the Colonies.

Dated 22nd. november 1938. Received 10.15 a.m. 22nd. Nov.

no. 187.

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Your despatch No. 671 of November 9th. Depth
charge chute(s). Grateful if 3 chutes complete may
be despatched immediately by Admiralty to Commanding Officer,
Kenya Royal Naval Volunteer Reserve, Mombassa. Relative
charge including packing and freight should be paid by the
Crown Agents for the Colonies during the current year, since
savings available and it is desired to charge current year
accounts.

copy to A. (27)
Amund. (48)

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ALL COMMUNICATIONS
TO BE ADDRESSED TO THE
CROWN AGENTS FOR THE COLONIES.
THE FOLLOWING REFERENCE AND THE
DATE OF THIS LETTER BEING QUOTED.

4, MILLBANK,

LONDON, S.W. 1.

15th November, 1938.

S2/9972.

TELEGRAMS { INLAND: "CROWN SOWEST LONDON."
OVERSEAS: "CROWN LONDON."
TELEPHONE: ABBEY 7730.

C. P. 1937

CONFIDENTIAL.

Sir,

46 on 1937 file

10.11.38.

With reference to your letter No. 38009/1/37 of the 13th of December, 1937, I have the honour to enclose a copy of a further letter received from the Director of Navy Accounts, dated 10th November, together with a Receivable Order for the sum of £356.6s.9d., being the third instalment of the cost of certain stores supplied to the Government of Kenya, and to enquire whether we are authorised to pay this amount from Kenya funds. It is requested that the Receivable Order may be returned to us with your reply.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

M. A. ...
For Crown Agents.

The Under Secretary of State,

COLONIAL OFFICE.

Handwritten notes:
2 - and in orig to CA (45)
copy (with encl.) to Kenya (49)

7 file

COPY OF LETTER FROM THE DIRECTOR OF NAVY ACCOUNTS TO THE CROWN AGENTS.

3c

Admiralty,
Great Westminster House,
Horseferry Road,
S.W.1.

10th November, 1938.

CONFIDENTIAL.

Gentlemen,

In continuation of Admiralty letter No. 1-D.N.A./L.C. 569/36 dated 23rd November 1937 relating to the supply to the Kenya Government of certain stores for the Examination Service, etc., at Kilindini, I have to forward a Receivable Order for £356.6s.9d. in respect of the third and final instalment.

This amount is arrived at as follows:-

	£.	s.	d.
Claim as detailed in enclosure to Admiralty letter referred to above	1410.	17.	9.
Less duplicated charge for freight (Your letter S2/9972 of 1.6.1938 and Admiralty reply No. 4. D.N.A. of 28.7.1938.	33.	15.	0.
<u>Less</u>	<u>1377.</u>	<u>2.</u>	<u>9.</u>
1st instalment received 2.2.1937			
2nd " " " 18.12.1937	£590.	12.	8.
	£430.	3.	4.
	1020.	16.	0.
	<u>£356.</u>	<u>6.</u>	<u>9.</u>

I am, Sir,
Your obedient Servant,
(Sgd.)

FOR DIRECTOR OF NAVY ACCOUNTS.



Any further communication
should be addressed to—

The Secretary of the Admiralty,
London, S.W.1.

quoting N. S. T. 4304/38/21285.

Admiralty, S.W.1.

31 October 1938.

REC

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Sir,

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In reply to your communication dated
5th September, 1938, No. 38009/1/38, I am commanded by
My Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty to inform you,
for the information of Mr. Secretary MacDonal'd, that
three Depth Charge Chutes with the necessary hand
release gear and slings for working the Chutes could be
supplied to the Kenya Royal Naval Volunteer Reserve by
the Admiralty, on repayment. The cost, exclusive of
freight, would be approximately 24-0-0d. per set.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

CHY to CA. (67)

The Under Secretary of State,
Colonial Office,
London, S.W.1.

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ALL COMMUNICATIONS
TO BE ADDRESSED TO THE
CROWN AGENTS FOR THE COLONIES,
THE FOLLOWING REFERENCE AND THE
DATE OF THIS LETTER BEING QUOTED.

8/2206.

TELEGRAMS: "CROWN, LONDON".
TELEPHONE: ABBEY 7730.

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C. O. REGY

4, MILLBANK,
LONDON, S.W.1.
1st October, 1938.

Sir,

47 Nov 1937 *for*

With further reference to your letter 38009/1/37 dated 13th December, 1937, I have the honour to enclose a receivable order amounting to £65.11s.6d. and supporting vouchers, being the cost of supply of two whalers which were shipped to Mombasa, freight free, on the s.s. "Madura" and the s.s. "Matiana" and to enquire whether we are authorised to pay this amount from Kenya funds.

The Admiralty have confirmed to us that £65.11s.6d. represents the total charges payable in connection with the supply of the boats.

Please return the receivable order and vouchers to us with your reply.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

For Crown Agents.

*Amended by
only under H.C.A.*
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The Under Secretary of State,
Colonial Secretary,
S.W.1.

Wg.
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38009/1/38⁶

Mr. Colquhoun 17/9
Mr. Parkin 20/9 P.
Mr.

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21st Sept '38.

Sir H. Moore.
Sir G. Tomlinson.
Sir C. Bottomley.
Sir J. Shuckburgh.
Parms. U.S. of S.
Parly. U.S. of S.
Secretary of State.

SECRET

Sir

(27)

With ref Co your letter
M. 05755/3) of the 18th of
June regarding the
acquisition for the Kenya
Royal Naval Volunteer
Reserve of the steam launch
of the district Noortide,
I am etc to state, for
the information of the
Lord Comm^{rs} of the
Admiralty, that the a
Co. has been named for the
Governor of Kenya would
be grateful if the
necessary repairs
could be executed
and the launch,
complete with the
necessary gear and
spares, could be
delivered at Mombasa

DRAFT.

Secretary
Admiralty

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- Permt. U.S. of S.
- Parly. U.S. of S.
- Secretary of State.

SECRET

DRAFT.

Secretary
Admiralty

(27)

Sir

With ref to your letter M. 05755/3) of the 18th of June regarding the acquisition for the Kenya Royal Naval Volunteer Reserve of the steam launch of the duplex Noontide, I am etc to state, for the information of the Lord Comm^{rs} of the Admiralty, that the a/c. has been raised from the Governor of Kenya would be grateful if the necessary repairs could be executed and the launch complete with the necessary gear and spares, could be delivered at Mombasa

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FURTHER ACTION.

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the earliest ^{practicable} ~~convenient~~ date.

2. The Governor of Kenya
has also stated that a second
which capable of working the
Mark III Double One-pass Sweep,
and of capacity at least equal
to that of the which of the
Duffin Noontide, is also
required. Mr MacDowell
would be grateful if steps
may be taken for the ^{supply} ~~acquisition~~,
& transmission to Mombasa, of
this second which as early as
possible.

D. am etc.
[Trs] N. Lundzi

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the earliest ^{practicable} ~~convenient~~ date.

2. The Government of Kenya
~~has~~ also stated that a second
machine capable of working the
Mark III Double Overseer Sweep,
and of capacity at least equal
to that of the machine of the
Duffin Noonside, is also
required. Mr MacDonald
would be grateful if steps
may be taken for the ^{supply} acquisition,
a Commission to Montevideo, of
this second machine as early as is
possible.

D. Annals.
[Ira] N. L. L. L.

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Telegram from the Deputy Governor of Kenya to the Secretary of
State for the Colonies.

Dated 17th September, 1938... Received ~~17~~ 15th 17th September, 1938.

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Secret

No. 29

C. O. REGY

Your despatch of 16th July. Grateful if the
Admiralty may be requested to execute repairs to the Noontide
winch and complete delivery earliest Mombasa. Second winch
of at least equal capacity also required earliest capable of working
the Mark III double Orepesa Sweep.

Forwarded. (36)
Further forwarded (2 on 1939)

KENYA
No. 465



GOVERNMENT HOUSE
NAIROBI
KENYA

17 August, 1938.

Sir,

I have the honour to inform you that the Naval Commander-in-Chief, East Indies Station, has advised that three Depth Charge Schutes are necessary for the Kenya Royal Naval Volunteer Reserve, two for the Mombasa Minesweeping Unit and one for Zanzibar.

I shall be grateful if it can be ascertained if this equipment can be obtained from the Admiralty on long loan, and if not on what terms it could be made available.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient, humble servant,

R Brooke-Popham

AIR CHIEF MARSHAL,
GOVERNOR.

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE

MALCOLM MACDONALD, M.P.,

SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES,

DOWNING STREET,

LONDON, S.W. 1.

*Copied to Admiralty
London (20)*

Admiralty, S.W.1. 27



Any further communication should be addressed to—

The Secretary of the Admiralty, London, S.W.1.

18th June 1938.

quoting M. 05755/37

SECRET. 3c

Sir,

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With reference to your letter No.38009/1/38, of the 21st April, 1938, regarding the question of the possible purchase of the steam winch of the drifter NOONTIDE for the Kenya Royal Naval Volunteer Reserve, I am commanded by My Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty to acquaint you, for the information of the Secretary of State for the Colonies, that the approximate cost of the winch, complete with the necessary gear and spares, suitably packed for shipment and f.o.r. at Devonport Dockyard is £246.

2. The winch, however, requires certain repairs to render it serviceable, which would take about four weeks complete. It would be convenient if the Governor would indicate at an early date whether the repairs should be taken in hand. Meanwhile the winch will not be disposed of.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

J. Phillips

The Under Secretary of State,
Colonial Office,
S.W.1.

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KENYA
No. 304



GOVERNMENT HOUSE
NAIROBI
KENYA

30 May, 1938.

Sir,

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With reference to the despatch No. 244 of the 28th April last from Mr. Ormsby-Gore (now Lord Harlech), I have the honour to request you to convey to the British India Steam Navigation Company the thanks of this Government for their generosity in shipping freight free both the Whalers supplied for the use of the Kenya Royal Naval Volunteer Reserve.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient, humble servant,

R. Brooke-Johnson

AIR CHIEF MARSHAL,
GOVERNOR.

Handwritten notes:
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long C.A. ②

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE

MALCOLM MACDONALD, M.P.,

SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES,

DOWNING STREET,

LONDON, S.W. 1.

C. O.

Mr. Sturgis ^{16/2}

Mr. Whitcombe 1974

Mr.

Sir H. Moore.

Sir G. Tomlinson.

Sir C. Bottomley.

Sir J. Shuckburgh.

Permt. U.S. of S.

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Secretary of State.

21 April 1935

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M. 00756/37 of the 8th of December.

The Secretary

Admiralty

1937. I am etc to transmit to you to be laid before you for the consideration of the L.C.

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(No. 14)

Copy this to Kenya

of the Admiralty, a copy of a despatch

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from the Governor of Kenya regarding the question of the purchase of the steam winch of the ~~duplex~~

Noonlide for the Kenya "Royal Naval Volunteer Reserve" 2) M^r O. G. ~~will be~~

obliged if their Lordships will advise
~~qualified to learn from the C.~~

him of the reply which
~~of an acting, what reply should be~~

sent
~~is returned to the Governor.~~

I am

(Signed) A. J. DAWE.



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ALL COMMUNICATIONS
TO BE ADDRESSED TO THE
CROWN AGENTS FOR THE COLONIES.
THE FOLLOWING REFERENCE AND THE
DATE OF THIS LETTER BEING QUOTED.

Dipl. in R. 298

4, MILLBANK,

LONDON, S.W.1.

7th April, 1938.

S/2206

TELEGRAMS: "CROWN, LONDON".

TELEPHONE: ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~
ABBEY 7728

C. O. REC'D

Sir,

With further reference to your letter No. 38009/1/37 dated 13th December, 1937, regarding the supply of two whalers for the use of the Kenya Royal Naval Volunteer Reserve, and to your letter of the 18th February, I have the honour to inform you that the second whaler has been shipped freight-free on the s.s. "Matiana", which sailed from London on the 2nd April, and is due to arrive at Mombasa on the 29th April.

Both the whalers have therefore been carried by British India Steam Navigation Company's steamers.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

for Crown Agents.

The Under Secretary of State,
COLONIAL OFFICE.

(47) av 38009/1/37

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Copy to Kenya (19)

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KENYA
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GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
NAIROBI
KENYA

10th March, 1938.

Sir,

(49) on 38009/1/38
With reference to your Secret despatch of the 28th December, 1937, regarding minesweeping equipment for the Kenya Royal Naval Volunteer Reserve, I have the honour to state that it will be appreciated if it can now be ascertained from the Admiralty at what price the steam winch of the drifter "Noontide" could be made available for the Reserve.

2. As the whole question of ships to be used for minesweeping purposes is still uncertain, and I am addressing you separately on this subject, this Government is not in a position to purchase the winch at present. It would, however, be appreciated if the Admiralty would not dispose of it without first giving this Government the opportunity to acquire it.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient, humble servant,

Brooke-Pfham
AIR CHIEF MARSHAL,
GOVERNOR.

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THE RIGHT HONOURABLE

W. ORMSBY GORE, P.C., M.P.,

SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES,

DOWNING STREET,

LONDON, S.W. 1.

ALL COMMUNICATIONS
TO BE ADDRESSED TO THE
CROWN AGENTS FOR THE COLONIES,
THE FOLLOWING REFERENCE AND THE
DATE OF THIS LETTER BEING QUOTED.



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4, MILLBANK,

LONDON, S.W.1.

TELEGRAMS: "CROWN, LONDON".
TELEPHONE: ABBEY 7730.

C. O. REC.

15th March, 1938

SECRET.

Sir,

(20) on 38009/1/37
With reference to your letter No. 38009/1/37 of the
25th March, 1937, I have the honour to inform you that we have
now been requested by the Admiralty to pay to them the sum
of £234. 17s. 2d. being the third annual instalment in respect
of the cost of the minesweeping equipment supplied to the
Government of Kenya for the Kenya Royal Naval Volunteer Reserve
in 1935.

I have to request authority to pay this instalment
and to ask for the return of the attached Receivable Order with
your reply.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

W.A. Wickham
for CROWN AGENTS.

The Under Secretary of State,
COLONIAL OFFICE.

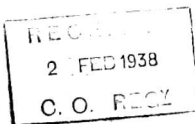
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KENYA
No. 36



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GOVERNMENT HOUSE
NAIROBI
KENYA

24 January, 1938.



Sir,

(51) or 38009/1/37
I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your despatch No.4 of the 5th January regarding the transport of two whalers to Mombasa for the use of the Kenya Royal Naval Volunteer Reserve.

2. It will be appreciated if the thanks of this Government can be conveyed to the Union-Castle Mail Steamship Company for their generosity in undertaking to ship the two whalers free of ocean freight to Mombasa.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient, humble servant,

Albrooke-Orham
AIR CHIEF MARSHAL,
GOVERNOR.

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE

W. ORMSBY GORE, P.C., M.P.,
SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES,
DOWNING STREET,
LONDON, S.W.-1.

Government House
Nairobi
KENYA



REPLY
No. 30

27 January, 1953

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27 JAN 1953
G.O.P.O.

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your despatch No. 4 of the 25th inst. regarding the transport of two whalers to Mombasa for the use of the Kenya Royal Naval Volunteer Reserve.

It will be appreciated that the transport of this Government can be conveyed to the Union-Castle Mail Steaming Company for their convenience in undertaking to ship the two whalers free of ocean freight to Mombasa.

I thank you for the honor to be

Yours,

Your most obedient humble servant,

W. G. G. G. G.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE
NAIROBI

THE HONORABLE

W. G. G. G. G.

SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES

SCOTTISH STREET

LONDON, E.C. 4

S/2206.

20th January, 1938.

CONFIDENTIAL.

Sir,

With reference to your letter No. M.06385/37 dated the 15th January addressed to the Under Secretary of State, regarding the two whalers to be supplied for the use of the Kenya Royal Naval Volunteer Reserve, I have the honour to inform you that the next Union Castle vessel sailing to East Africa after the s.s. "Llandoverly Castle" is the s.s. "Llandaff Castle" leaving London on the 17th February. This vessel, however, is unable to accept either of the whalers owing to the amount of cargo already booked.

In order to avoid delay in the shipment of the whaler which is to be forwarded in its present state, we approached the British India Steam Navigation Company who readily agreed to ship this whaler to Mombasa freight free by the s.s. "Malda" which leaves London on the 5th February. The whaler should be delivered to this steamer in the Royal Albert Dock to our order on the morning of Thursday, 3rd February, and I shall be glad to learn that delivery can be arranged accordingly.

The whaler should be marked as follows:-

S/2206	O.H.M.S.
	Col. Sec.,
	Kenya Royal Mombasa.
	Naval Volunteer
	Reserve.

A copy of this letter is being forwarded to the Under Secretary of State for his information.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

(Sgd.) J. M. Duggan.

for Crown Agents.

The Secretary,

Admiralty, S.W.1.

Any further communication should be addressed to:-
The Secretary of the Admiralty,
London, S.W.1.

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quoting " M. 06385/37 "



Admiralty, S.W.1.

15th January 1938

Sir,

(20) on 38009/1/37

1 With reference to your letter No. 38009/1/37 of 1st December, 1937, I am commanded by My Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty to acquaint you, for the information of the Secretary of State for the Colonies, that instructions have been given for the two whalers to be supplied for the use of the Kenya Royal Naval Volunteer Reserve.

2 It has not been found possible to arrange transport for these boats from Devonport in time for shipment in s.s. LLANDOVERY CASTLE sailing 19th January but it is hoped that the boat to be supplied in its present state will reach Chatham on or about the 25rd January.

3 A further communication regarding the date on which the other boat, which is to be repaired and fitted with masts, sails and a mounting for a Lewis Gun, will reach Chatham will be made later.

Copy to Kenya

Arrangements for the transport of these boats from Chatham to South West India Dock will be made when details of the arrangements made with the Union Castle Line are communicated to this Department by the Crown Agents for the Colonies.

5 Their Lordships confirm that the cost of these boats will be as stated in your letter but they are unable to furnish an estimate of the costs of shipment which will however be limited to out of pocket expenses assessed on the most favourable basis possible.

The.....

The Under Secretary of State,
COLONIAL OFFICE,
S. W. 1.

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The dimensions of each boat is 25' x 6' beam
x 3' 9" and its weight 15 cwt.

A copy of this letter is being sent to the
Crown Agents for the Colonies, Shipping Department,
4 and 5 Fen Court, E.C.3 with reference to their letters
No. S/2206 of 17th December, 1937, and 7th January, 1938.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

J. Phillips