

1928

Kenya

No. 15142

SUBJECT

C O 533/377

Mega Consulate

At present of the Miles
in Kenya Administration
Establishment

2
7th March 28.
Gov. Kenya, P.O. 118.
Recommendation not to be absorbed into Kenya
administration establishment at 600 point of scale
and be assigned to Probation staff, mega scale
being filled temporarily by acting appointment of
Administrative officer.

rd. 1. now registered as rd. 9 on X. 10262/27.

~~DESTROYED~~ Gov. Kenya, P.O. 129. 23 May 28.
Your suggestion accepted. recommend seldom be
appointed Acting Consul. Glad to receive approval
of his appointment by telegraph earliest.

(no. 50 on file)
(K.P. 32, 515)

Mr. Selton was app'd to Temple on his return
(you have a Decree) His Conf. Report
are rather mediocre

? dft. = 70 (marked important)

saying that Gov. proposes to second
to be acting consul. M.S. an admin
Officer of 15 years standing & ask
whether they have any objection.

The letter also see handwritten by Easton
to Selton's source & show began
explaining how it is that an acting
app. was asked.

J. W. Allen
29/5/28

Holis
X handwriting

Acting Consul
17/6

accp
29.5.28

S. to J. W. Allen (early reply)

4 JUN 1928

DESTROYED UNDER STATUTE

Office 16 June 28
no objection to proposal.

Off tel for comms

Encl
2/6

Abel
18.6.28
atms

no. of A.D. [unclear] [unclear]
+ [unclear] [unclear]
Sp. No. 21

3/7 19 June 1928

M. Eastwood
no reply from Kenya to and tel
of 19 June 28 (Nos.)
? Any action pl.

Abel
11.7.28

? Have another 4 days

Eastwood

? How do you mean 14/7
to be on the [unclear] [unclear]
his depend upon - but with such a
major that nothing is

W. Allen

18/7 atance

24/10

- com.

24 JUL 1928

DESTROYED UNDER STATUTE

Abel

7 - Goro, Deputy [unclear]

2 July 28

Recommended payment of salary allowance
to rebel on 15 June 28 3

At the request of DO (no 4) we
asked [unclear] to be [unclear] when [unclear]
[unclear] was suspected actually to [unclear]
[unclear] at [unclear] This [unclear] to
[unclear] of which is a [unclear] [unclear]
[unclear] answers the question I have
[unclear] up the DO. [unclear] [unclear] [unclear]
[unclear] the approximate date of his
arrival at [unclear] but there is no
[unclear]. Probably the Goro will send a
[unclear] when he gets no. 6 so?
[unclear] wait a [unclear] couple of months to see if
[unclear] comes.

The proposal to pay [unclear] salary
at the rate of 10000 a year plus [unclear]
[unclear] be approved. [unclear] [unclear]
[unclear] [unclear] suggested to Goro - no. 10
at X 10062/25 [unclear] [unclear] [unclear]
[unclear] the salary of his [unclear]
[unclear] be agreed to [unclear] [unclear].
I should have thought that any
[unclear] approval was nec. [unclear] But

Mr. Kunder, late KAR. (file 809/1000)

Called to enquire whether the
post was vacant. I told
him the position. He is
like to be considered if ever
the post did become vacant.

Page

~~W.B.~~
DESTROYED UNDER STATUTE
J. Kunder - 17 Dec 28. File 809/1000
Ratford
(copy attached)

He (Sir Edward Grigg) was disposed to abolish
the Mega post, as it mostly and which he thought
served no useful purpose. Mr. Bottomley suggested
that it served to prevent raids, in which case
Sir Ed. Grigg was well content to retain it,
though he was under the impression that one
of the most peaceful spells had been while the
post was temporarily vacant. (He is in the
position, in the event of abolition, is dealt
with on his file).

Put by.

(Intld), A.C.G.R.

24.1.29

at once

ABOVE MINTMS COPIES FROM 15,210/28 Kenya.

(Appointment of
Bibichian Consul
in Kenya & Sudan)

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KENYA.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
NAIROBI,
KENYA.

No. 534

2nd September, 1928.

Sir,

No. 8

With reference to your telegram of the 17th August regarding the appointment of Mr. A.A. Seldon, District Officer, as Acting Consul at Mega, I have the honour to inform you that in accordance with your ruling I have approved of Major Miles drawing the pay of the post at Mega up to and including the 30th June.

Thereafter, with effect from the 1st July, Mr. Seldon whilst performing the duties of the post will draw pay at £1,000 per annum plus £60 for travelling and £50 for horse allowances.

2. I propose to defer discussion of future arrangements regarding the Mega and Maji Consulates pending the completion of negotiations with the Ethiopian Government regarding the boundary question.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient, humble servant,

Edward Gigg

GOVERNOR

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE
LIEUTENANT COLONEL I.C.H.S. ALERY, P.C., M.P.,
SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES,
DOWNING STREET,
LONDON, S.W.

6. JUN. 1928
copy to Mr. Gigg
(10/11/28)

to Mr. Gigg
from Mr. Gigg

In any further communication on this subject, please quote
No. K 12108/4224/201

and address—not to any person by name, but to—
"The Under-Secretary of State," Foreign Office, London, S.W. 1.

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13 OCT 1928
COL. OFFICE

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THE Under-Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs presents his
compliments to *the Under-Secretary of State for
the Colonies* and, by direction of the Secretary of State,
transmits herewith copies of the under-mentioned papers.

Foreign Office

15 October 1928

No. 3

Reference to previous correspondence:
Colonial Office letter 15142/28 of 14th June, 1928

Description of Enclosure.

Name and Date.	Subject.
<p><i>From</i> H. M. Representative Addis Ababa No. 217 of 18th September</p>	<p><i>Appointment of Mr. A. A. Seldon as Acting Consul at Meqa.</i></p>

Similar letter sent to

No. 217.

British Legation,
Addis Ababa.

18th. September 1922

My Lords,

With reference to my telegram No. 93 of the 29th. June last, regarding the appointment of Mr. A. A. Selig as Acting Consul at Woga, I have the honour to report that this officer arrived at Woga and assumed his duties on August 6th. 1922.

I have the honour to be with the highest respect,

My Lords,

Your Obedient,
Devoted Servant,

Signed: [Signature]

The Hon. Mr. [Name]
Lord [Name]

and Mr. [Name]

- Mr. [unclear]
- Mr. [unclear]
- Mr. [unclear]
- Mr. Bottomley
- Mr. E. J. Harbin
- Mr. J. Shue [unclear]
- Mr. [unclear]
- Mr. G. Davis
- Mr. B. Wilson
- Mr. Ormsby [unclear]
- Lord [unclear]
- Mr. [unclear]

Bill [unclear]

X. 15th Apr 1918 Kemp 8

Memorandum No 10

Coded mail -
3 pm 17.8.18
GP

DRAFT 7d (over)

Governor
Maurice

17 August
 You disp of 20/1000 [unclear]
 JELDON I agree to the
 drawing salary allowances
 proposed. I had
 anticipated that he would
 draw these from date
 of assuming duty
 but I should see no
 objection to date being
 that on which he
 started journey to
 MEGAPO. Please
 report by dispatch date
 of assuming duty
 & decision as to date
 for drawing new salary
 allowances. [unclear]

provided that he and
 MIKES do not
 draw them
 concurrently

Copy attached to Mr. Seldon's file

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GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
NAIROBI,
KENYA.

KENYA.
No. 417

20th July, 1928.

1 AUG 1928

Sir,

15142/28
(to No. 3)
17 Aug
Qua. Ad. Cons.

I have the honour to refer to your telegram of the 19th June, 1928, approving the appointment of Mr. A.A. Seldon, District Officer, as Acting Consul at Mega, and to recommend the payment to him, from that date, of the salary and allowances attached to that post, i.e., £1,000 per annum plus \$60 travelling allowance and £50 horse allowance.

2. I regard Mr. Seldon's new appointment as a secondment rather than that of a junior officer acting for an officer of a higher grade, in which latter case he would be entitled to salary at his present rate (£780 per annum) plus half the difference between that sum and the salary attached to the British Consulate at Mega.

3. I should be glad to receive your telegraphic approval to the course suggested.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient, humble servant.

GOVERNOR'S DEPUTY.

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE
LIEUTENANT COLONEL L.C.M.S. AMERY, P.C., M.P.,
SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES,
DOWNING STREET,
LONDON, S.W.

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Mr. Eastwood

Mr. Allen

Mr. J. Harding

Sir C. Strachey

Sir J. Shuckburgh

Sir G. Grindle

Sir G. Davis

Sir S. Wilson

Mr. Ormsby Gore

Lord Lugard

Mr. Athony

for conson. (No 18)
(10444/27)

DRAFT

THE Q. S. OF S.

THE FOREIGN OFFICE.

IMPORTANT.

7 JUN

Downing Street,

4 JUN 1928
May, 1928

Sir,

With reference to the letter from this Department, 10444/27, of the 14th December last, regarding the Consulate at Mega, I am etc. to request you to inform Secretary Sir Austen Chamberlain that it is now proposed that Major Miles, His Majesty's Consul at Mega should be appointed to act as Senior Aide-de-Camp to the Governor of Kenya, and that an Administrative Officer in the Kenya Government Service should be appointed as Acting Consul at Mega. Both Major Miles and the Officer appointed to replace him would draw the pay of their acting appointments while retaining their substantive posts for pension purposes.

/s/ The

2. The Governor of Kenya has

1160/1911

recommended that Mr. ^{E. A.} Seldon,

District Officer, should be appointed

as Consul.

to act at Mega. Mr. Seldon who is ³⁹ 39

years old and unmarried, was appointed

to be an ^{Act District Officer} ~~Act District Officer~~

with effect from the 26th December 1911

He was seconded for service as a

temporary captain in the King's African

Rifles from the 6th April 1911, and

relinquished his commission on the 1st

January 1916. He was appointed to his

present rank on the 6th December 1915

and on his return from leave at the

end of 1916 he was posted to the

Moyale District of the Northern Frontier

Province. ~~His confidential reports~~

~~show that he is a very good officer and is very (No. 52)~~

~~he does his work well and is maintaining~~

~~and loyal, "sound and sensible"~~

3. Mr. Smery will be glad to leave

Handwritten note: I think that Mr. Seldon would come over for duty as Consul at Mega. I am, etc.

In the proposed arrangement (as) I am to report the facts of an object of the letter as the fact's remain to be made. The decision is as far as possible. I am, etc. (Signed) H. T. ALLEN

1000/1841

2. The Governor of Kenya has recommended that Mr. ^{E. A.} Seldon, District Officer, should be appointed ^{as Consul} to act at Mega. Mr. Seldon who is 39

years old and unmarried, was appointed ^{as District Officer} to be an ~~administrative officer~~ with effect from the 26th December 1935

he was seconded for service as a temporary captain in the King's African Rifles from the 6th 1919 and

relinquished his commission 1st January 1919. He was appointed to his ^{grade in the Administrative Officer} present rank on the 31st December 1935

and on his returning home leave at the end of 1936 he was posted to the

Moyale District of the Northern Frontier Province. ~~His confidential reports~~

~~show that though only of ordinary ability, he is~~ (No. 32)

he does his work well and is painstaking and loyal, sound and sensible.

Consider that Mr. Seldon would command the respect of the people of Mega satisfactorily if he

3. Mr. Seldon will be glad to look

app. of the letter (4) I am to report the views of an
in the proposed arrangements.
of which the letter on the 21st 1935 remains to be info. The decision is
as far as possible
I am, etc.
(Signed) H. T. ALLEN