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DATE

15 January 1924

Counselor 47

REGULATION :-
B. Thompson
Thompson
U.S. of S.
U.S. of S.
U.S. of S.
Secretary of State.

Soligomen Prospecting & Devlop Synd
Recruitment of Laborers of Duv & Y

Enclosure copy of four commun from
the syndicate.

Previous Paper

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MINUTES

The enclosure is very thin. They sent an agent
into T.T who collected 50 men & was
leading them back to the Soligomen
property when he was arrested by the T.T.
Officials. Apparently he did not "recruit"
as no definite contracts were signed.

We have taken up the question re
292/Kenya is no action necessary on this.

? Butly J.H.

23.2.24

T a T.T. active who collected his friends.

This is or used to be much done in
F.M.S. & I'm not sure that there is
much fault to find with it.

Local 23.2.24

Subsequent Paper

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23/2/24 M.Y.

MINUTES

MINUTES NOT TO BE WRITTEN
ON THIS SIDE.

Company want to be able to get
Tanganyika Release with security
then want to copy with the law
But will not this amount to

Publy CS
25/1/64
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KENYA.

NO. 47.



C.O. 6033
7 FEB 24

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
NAIROBI,
KENYA.

January 15, 1924.

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My Lord Duke,

With reference to my despatch No. 1751 of the 5th of December last, I have the honour to transmit for Your Grace's information a copy of a further communication received from the Managing Director of the Lolgorien Prospecting & Development Syndicate.

I have the honour to be,
My Lord Duke,

Your Grace's most devoted
and most obedient servant,

R. G. Comyns

GOVERNOR.

H. E. R. H. THE DUKE OF DEVONSHIRE, K.G., P.C., G.C.M.G., G.C.V.O.,

SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES,

DOWNING STREET,

LONDON, S. W.

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OF LETTER
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THE MCMILLAN ESTATES

P. O. Box 213,
Nairobi, December 13, 1923.

The Colonial Secretary,

The Secretariat,
Nairobi.

Sir,

I have the honour to state that your letter No. S.17088/1/4 of the 5th instant has been received.

2. It would appear that you have not quite understood the situation as we do not desire to recruit natives from Tanganyika Territory. What we do desire is that natives who wish voluntary to come and work at our Mine be allowed to do so. Many natives wish to come and work at the Mine since it is very close to their homes, and these natives we think should be allowed to cross the border without any difficulties being put in their way.

3. We have always understood that no recruiting is allowed in Tanganyika Territory for work outside, and have always respected this order.

I have etc.

S/- M. MAXWELL.

Managing Director,
The Lolgorrien P. & D. Syndicate.

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DATE
17th Jan, 1924

CIRCULATION:—

Mr. Latter
Mr. Bathurst

Order 32, 1923
Cotton Tax

U.S. of S.
Latter
27/1/24

Submits

U.S. of S.
U.S. of S. 24/3/24

Spare copies to Railway

Previous Paper

MINUTES

As to the tax see 1361 in 59658/23
+ minutes thereon, 1436 + 1448 in 59662/23
+ 2465 in 62548/23. It was stated that
the tax had been abolished, but, later,
exception was taken to the Government's
intention to enforce it.

I do not know what policy is to be
adopted. The Order seems all right in
form
20.2.24

The item of £3000 expected from this tax was
deleted from the Estimates & that must have
been the origin of the statement in 1361 in 59658/23
that the cotton tax was being abolished. It
seems clear that the tax has been
imposed, but other revenue from it was

Vertical stamp: MAR 1924
4 APR 1924
copy Order to L. G. Kelly
(S. S. S. 1924)

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6738 See Gov
6042
(Cotton)

not included in the Estimate,
possibly because the Govt. eventually
decided that it should be paid
into the native trust fund
(see 1448 on 54662/13).

To certain 3 by the period
ending 31st May 1924 " they obviously
mean the cotton crop season
ending on that date, but the
working would permit the
levying of the tax on every bale
of cotton that has ever been
produced in Kenya. Perhaps we
need not raise the point.

I think the period from the
commencement of the crop
to 31 May 1924 is intended.
A.S.

No. 604

In signifying non-approval
I think we should enquire what
is being done with the proceeds
of the tax, referring to Revenue
No. 11 of 1924 in Estimates
despatch; & I think you should
inform the Sec. E.C.C. that
the tax is being levied, asking
copy of Estimate. J.H.
20.2.24

W.C.S.

Lord Arnold
Secy. - Head

A.S.
26/ii

You should see this. Kenya

have clearly worked on the
question of the Tax, but I think
that what are presumably their
last thoughts are right and that
they must, and I hope, work
together with the Uganda
matter. Smuggling is going on
for more than a fiscal convenience,
it might lead to the spread of
pests & mixing of shagging.

As to the application of the
proceeds of the tax, we can do
just as proposed. Personally
I think that for the present
at least they must go into
general revenue (as in Uganda)
& that we must insist to be transferred
development as the return which
the growers get for the tax.

W.C.S. 26/ii

H. J. R.
27/ii/24

No. 604
24/3

KENYA.

No. 65.



GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
NAIROBI,
KENYA.

January 17th, 1924.,

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My Lord Duke,

I have the honour to transmit herewith two authenticated and ten printed copies of "The Cotton (Tax) Ordinance, 1923", together with a statement of objects and reasons and a comparative table prepared by the Acting Attorney General.

2. This Ordinance passed its third reading in Legislative Council on the 12th of November, 1923, and on the 14th of December, 1923, I assented to it in the name of His Majesty.

I have the honour to be,
My Lord Duke,

Your Grace's most devoted
and most obedient servant,

GOVERNOR.

HIS GRACE

THE DUKE OF DEVONSHIRE, K.G., P.C., G.C.M.G., G.O.V.O.,

SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES,

DOWNING STREET, LONDON, S.W.,

Ordinance.
Statement.
Comparative Table.

THE COTTON (TAX) ORDINANCE, 1923.

Statement of Objects and Reasons.

This Ordinance is designed to provide for the taxing of cotton ginned in this territory, and to prohibit its removal therefrom before a licence in that behalf has been obtained and the tax paid thereon. Power is reserved in the Governor-in-Council to make rules generally for these purposes.

The Uganda Cotton (Tax) Ordinance, 1919, includes somewhat similar provisions.

Nairobi,

18th December, 1923.

Ed. IVON L. J. WALKER
ACTING ATTORNEY-GENERAL.

THE COTTON (TAX) ORDINANCE, 1923.Comparative Table.

No.	Remarks.
	Short title.
	Interpretation.
	Imposition of tax.
	Prohibition against removing ginned cotton without licence.
	Power of Governor-in-Council to make rules.
	Penalty.

Nairobi,
18th December, 1923.

ED. LOREN E. Q. OSWALD
ACTING ATTORNEY-GENERAL.

C. D.
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D 24

Downing Street,

29 March, 1924.

DRAFT.

Sir,

I have the honour

to acknowledge receipt of
your despatch No. 65 of the

17th of January, and to

inform you that His Majesty

will not be advised to

exercise his power of

disallowance in respect of

Ordinance No. 32 of 1923

of the Legislature of the

Colony

MINUTE.

Mr. Jewell 28.3.24.

Mr. Calder 28.3.

Mr. Bottomley 28.3.24

Sir C. Davis.

Sir A. Grindell.

Sir H. Ross.

Mr J. Masterton Smith.

Mr. Ormsby-Gore.

Duke of Devonshire.

this action
semi-official
by hand

FF on box 2

Colony of Kenya entitled "An Ordinance
to Impose a Tax on Cotton".

2. I shall be glad if you will
inform me what action is being taken
with regard to the proceeds of the tax.
In this connection I would invite reference
to Head 3 of the Memorandum on the Estimates
which was enclosed in my despatch
No. 121 of the 23rd of January.

I have etc.

(SIGNED) J. H. THOMAS.

Gov Kenya
6/4/24

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Quoted for
the Botswana's
signature



4 April 1924

DRAFT.

Kelly by
The Savings Corporation
Wood Street (59658
Abraham Stiel)

MINUTE.

Mr. J. G. 1. 4 24

Mr. Calver 1-4

Mr. Botswana 2. 4 24

Sir C. Davis.

Sir G. Grindle.

Sir H. Read.

Sir J. Masterman Smith.

Mr. Ormsby-Gore.

Duke of Devonshire.

Dear Mr. Kelly

I informed you on the 11th

of January that the Cotton Tax
in Kenya has been abolished.

This is in accordance
with my information at that

date. We now know, however,

that the tax is being levied.

I enclose, for your information,
a copy of the Ordinance, No
32 of 1923, which was
received for the Colony.

There has, evidently been
some fluctuation of
opinion on the subject locally,
and I imagine that while the
factor of proximity to Lyons
has caused the delay.

As the best information from
the African
the Executive Committee was
that the tax would be levied,
there is no need to say anything
now, ~~as this letter is~~

Yours sincerely
(sd) W. C. Bottomley

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