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DATE

9th May 1925.

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RE. 11 MAY 25

O.A.G. DENHAM.

TEL 193

CIRCULATION :-

Mr. Jeffries  
Mr. Donnie  
Mr. Bottomley  
1st U.S. of S.

MEDICAL DEPT STAFF.

States present position with regard to vacancies and asks to be informed by tel when the six officers required may be expected.

Perm U.S. of S.  
Part U.S. of S.  
Secretary of State.

Previous Paper

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There are indications in the telegram that the Med Dept of Kenya still looks to regard itself as a separate activity distinct from the E.A.M. we must still go on emphasizing that it is only a part, if a very important <sup>part</sup> of the whole E.A.M.S.

S.M.O.

Please see minutes on CO EA  
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As those pointed out, there are 5 M.O's (including Thomson & Freshmore) who should at any rate be considered before Mr Fisher. The reports are meagre but as far as they go, are quite satisfactory. Mr Fisher's reports are much fuller & there can be no doubt that he is an

*See to being written*  
*conno 18.5.25*  
*Shuttle to Gov Kya 18.0 - 22 May 25*

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M.O. Vacancies

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See below

The G.P.S. did not know, at the date of this let, of the allocation of Mr Philip to Kenya. This reduces his 6 to 5, but I don't know how this figure is arrived at, unless the two Native Administration posts referred to are above the ordinary establishment. On CO I have suggested allocating two of the 22000 places at the present course to Kenya & the remainder to ~~Kenya~~ T.T. This will depend on the decision taken on this telegram. I don't think it would hurt T.T. to wait a little longer, in which case we could, if necessary, allocate to 2 more to Kenya, & 4 only to T.T.

Mr Dawson & I have discussed.

The let. is confusing, but the figure six evidently includes

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| Engel   | } | about whom O.A.S. knows |
| Gairham |   |                         |
| Martin  |   |                         |

Philip about whom he does not know

The two others are the vacancies for an S.M.O. & a Surgical Specialist, which as Mr Jewell points out have to be filled from the E.A.M.S. unless

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the case of promotion from M.O. to S.M.O. it is perhaps hardly justifiable to pass an officer over unless his reports definitely show that he is unsuitable for promotion. The next M.O. in seniority after Dr. Thomson (leaving out Dr. Tichborne who is not suitable) is Dr. Wallace (T.T.). To promote him to the Kenya vacancy would not assist Kenya, as he is due for leave (Swiss for T.T. Feb. 1923).

In all the cases we ~~think~~ think that the best course is to proceed with our original proposal: i.e. tell T.T. that Dr. Nunan should be sent to Kenya at once & that Dr. Thomson should be promoted to be S.M.O. with effect from the date of Dr. Nunan's departure. [The question of promoting Dr. Wallace to the Zangibar vacancy can be taken up afterwards].

We should also tell Kenya what has been decided and clear up their confusion as to vacancies as in draft hereunder.

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6/ Surgical Specialist. We agree

that applications should be  
invited from the E.A.M.S. but  
diff. as the intentions of the  
Govt. of Kenya are not quite  
clear we think that it would  
be best to await their reply  
to the draft telegram before  
mentioning the vacancy to the  
other dependencies.

JJ 16.5.25

PPW 16.5.25

A very confused tel., & I think a detailed  
reply at the position may well be desirable.

I am certain that Kenya ought to ask  
for more men, but it is no use suggesting  
it if they do not seem to be available.

W 16.5.25

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TELEGRAMREC<sup>d</sup>  
RE. 11 MAY 25

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

Dated 9th May 1925.

(Received Colonial Office 4.45 p.m. 9th May 1925)

No.193. of 8th May. My telegram of 24th February and my telegram 17th March Position at present is Medical Department five short understand Enzer has sailed Garahan sailing this month and Martin in August still leaving two vacancies. One of these is Senior Medical Officer appointment vide your confidential despatch of 9th March. Governor of Tanganyika telegraphs Begins "Nunan willing to transfer on conditions named provided that he is allowed to take leave due in September. As inconvenient to spare him until then suggest that he should assume duty Kenya after leave i.e. about March subject to the approval of the Colonial Office". Neither of these alternatives materially improves the position locally. Consider this vacancy must be filled at once and adhere to recommendation of Fisher and immediate filling of vacancy thus created otherwise this Colony will be without the services of Senior Medical Officer for two years. Second vacancy should also be filled immediately. Welch has resigned appointment and this further vacancy should also now be filled by a medical officer. Position here serious outbreak of smallpox Kikuyu and on Coast and plague in Kikuyu and the strain on the Medical Department excessive. Have been unable to fill post in Masai Reserve and on Coast promised to Native Administration as from the beginning of the year. Consider Tropical Course should be postponed it being essential that all vacancies should now be filled. Please cable when six Medical Officers now required may be expected.

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Ans  
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Your tel. 8<sup>th</sup> May No.

193 in addition to these  
new Medical Officers named

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- Mr. Jeffries
- Mr. Dennis
- Mr. Bostwick
- Mr. Green
- Mr. Davis
- Mr. G. Grindle
- Mr. H. Head
- Mr. J. Masterton
- Mr. Wood
- Mr. Churchill

in first sentence one  
has been selected and  
is now at course.

Propose that both he and  
Martin should complete  
course and sail as soon  
as possible afterwards.

We have decided that  
post of Mr. Senior  
Medical Officer should

ofc.  
for course

C. D.  
18 MAY  
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Kenya  
~~Kenya~~

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re: Saluam

my desk. of the march

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confidential understand

from Governor Kenya

- Mr. Jeffries } 16.5.55
- Mr. Dornie } 16.5.55
- Mr. Bottamley } 16.5.55
- Mr. Green 18.5.55
- Mr. Davis.

that Numan is willing  
to transfer there as a

Sir G. Grindle.

Senior Medical Officer

Sir H. Read.

but that it is inconvenient  
to release him at present.

Sir J. Masterton Smith.

Mr. Wood.

Mr. Churchill.

In view of shortage in

L. DfS.

for consup

Kenya must ask you  
to arrange for him to

proceed there without delay

Thomson to be promoted

as from date of Nunan's

departure which should be

reported to me ☺ Hope to

allocate to you six new

Medical officers now at

course ending July

S. G. P.

Jeffries 7/5/25  
Bottanley N.F.

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- Mr. Strachey.
- Mr. J. Shuckburgh.
- Mr. C. Davis.
- Mr. G. Grindle.
- Mr. J. Magerton Smith.
- Mr. Ormsby-Gore.
- Mr. Amery.

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for

SIR

I have to refer to your tel. No. 193 of the 18th of May, and to my tel. & reply dated the 18th of May, regarding the staffing of the medical Dept.

As I understand the position, ~~it appears~~ that the

the six vacancies to which you referred

in the last sentence of your tel. were made up as follows:

Three represented the posts which have been filled by the appt. of Dr. Inzer, Dr. Garnham and Dr. Martin, One represented the post

- 1 Strachey.
- 1 J. Shuckburgh.
- 1 C. Davis.
- 1 Q. Grindle.
- 1 J. Masterton Smith.
- 1 E. Ormsley-Gore.
- 1 E. Amery.

of Medical Officers is, for the moment, complete. I do not propose to take any action at

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present with regard to prospective vacancies, particularly as the supply of candidates has been improved to such an extent that no serious difficulty need be anticipated in filling future vacancies as they arise.

(Signed) L. S. AMERY