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for details of proposed copies of £7000 bill sel.
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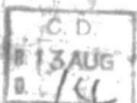
See Treasury's 25074 and to
last part of this telegram

Copy of this telegram
to Measney for info with
ref^d to last para of letter
in Measney 25074
that the £7000 includes
an item for "passage" which
(so far as the view Mr. O.
are concerned) was included

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August 1913

S. Africa Protectorate
Confidential

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Sir,

I have the honour to
acknowledge the receipt of Mr.
Brown's Confidential Dispatch, No. 90

of the 18th July ~~and~~ transmitting
~~in~~ ~~the~~ ~~same~~ ~~transmitting~~
a petition from leading
members of the Arab and
Swahili population in
respect of the Criminal Law
Amendment Ordinance 1913,
and to request that you
will cause the petitioners
to be informed that in
view of section 6, ~~and~~
~~and~~ sub-section 2 of

1. Jabir bin Majid, Head of the Arab Community.
2. Abdalla bin Sheikh, Chief of 3 tribes.
3. Ali bin Mohamed bin Juma, Chief of 9 tribes.
4. Msallam bin Kassim bin Rashid, Arab.
5. Ali bin Rafiu, one of the Wakf Commissioners.
6. Mohamed bin Mbaruk, Arab.
7. Surur bin Saleh, Mazrui Arab.
8. Mansur bin Nasor, Arab.
9. Abdalla bin Saleh, Mazrui Arab.
10. Abdulkarim bin Talasam, Mchanganwe.
11. Mohamed bin Said, Mandiri Arab.
12. Ahmed bin Ali bin Salim, Elmmandiri Arab.
13. Naaman bin Omar Basheikh.
14. Tabit bin Muhater.
15. Abdalla bin Juma.
16. Majid bin Ali, Arab.
17. Said bin Salim, Arab.
18. Ali Bin Said, Arab.
19. Rashid bin Salim bin Kassim, Mazrui Arab.
20. Said bin Abdalla, Arab.
21. Hamis bin Mohamed bin Juma, Mtafi Clan.
22. Suleiman bin Rashid, one of the Wakf Commissioners.
23. Abdalla bin Said Mohamed, Arab.
24. Abdrahaman bin Mohamed, Basheikh, Arab.
25. Salim bin Talasam.

Letter
to —

His Majesty's
Principal Secretary of State
Colonial Office
Whitehall

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In favour of
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Criminal Law Amendment
Ordinance 1913.

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under the above circumstances, from the rigour of the law.

In conclusion, Sir, we, with great emphasis assure you, that not only the Shukhs and Uldars, but also the whole of the Arabs and Swahilis in this Protectorate will, in every way assist the Police by immediately informing them of the arrival of any White prostitute who solicits amongst natives.

We have the honour to be,

Sir,
Your most obedient and humble
Servants

1. Aldeeb

2. Ali

3. Abdulla

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Mombasa

24th May 1913

To

His Majesty's

Principal Secretary of State,

Colonial Office

Whitehall

Sir,

We the undersigned Sheikhs and Elders of the Arab and Swahili communities of this Protectorate respectfully beg to direct your most earnest attention to the Criminal Law Amendment Ordinance 1913 of this Protectorate, passed at the last Sessions of the Legislative Council at Nairobi.

At the outset we may emphatically state that the main object of the measure is intended to be beneficial to both races and as such meets with our warmest approbation, since all are agreed that sexual connection between the members of the respective races is maleficent. The point to which we take grave exception is that there is no provision made in the same under review to meet the case of a white harlot who establishes herself in this Protectorate and seduces and entices natives into her house. As the ordinance stands at present, any native who yields to such solicitation is liable under §4(3) to five years imprisonment. This, with great respect, we venture to think is radically unjust and utterly foreign to the principles of English Jurisprudence since it is manifest that a harlot could with ease, by a display of her attractive attainments induce a native to consort with her.

It seems to us and we submit with respect that the omission of §4(3) would strengthen the measure in addition to removing a sense of injustice among a self respecting and an honourable race.

We therefore trust that you, Sir, will humbly advise His Majesty to withhold his consent to the ordinance until such time as the Ordinance has been amended by inserting in it a clause exempting natives, who are from the path of morality under

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July 18th 1913

Sir,

With reference to your letter of the 16th of June, I have the honour to inform you that the Petition addressed to the Secretary of State by certain Sheikhs and Elders of the Arab and Swahili Communities of this Protectorate, which was forwarded in your letter of the 10th of June, is being transmitted to the Colonial Office.

2. I would draw your attention to Section 4 Sub-section (2) of the Ordinance, which deals with the subject raised by the petitioners.

I have the honour to
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

Sd/- W.J.H. Son

for Chief Secretary.

A. D. HOME ESQ.,

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GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
NAIROBI,

BRITISH EAST AFRICA.

July 18th 1913.

EAST AFRICA PROTECTORATE.

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Sir,

With reference to my despatch No. 52 Confidential of the 13th May last, I have the honour to transmit herewith a petition, together with a list of signatories, of leading members of the Arab and Swahili population at the Coast in respect of the Criminal Law Amendment Ordinance 1913.

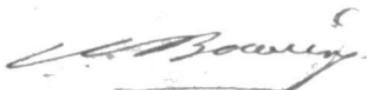
2. I have recorded my observations in this connection in my despatch under reference.

3. A copy of a letter I have caused to be addressed to Mr. Home is attached herewith, from which it will be seen that his attention has been invited to the provision made under the Ordinance on the question raised by the Petitioners.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your humble, obedient servant,



In the absence of the
GOVERNOR.

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE

LEWIS HAROURT, P.C., M.P.,

SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES,

DOWNING STREET, LONDON, S.W.