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Capt Skelton

Staples had an understanding his arrears in regard to his recompensation for services in E.A.S. Recommended that he forward special bill of 15 rupees per day to cover all expenses of living in Mombasa & that he be repaid the traveling bill of 8 rupees per arrears by him in Zanzibar.

J.W. Read

W. Bottomley

? approve [retention of] R15
from Sal funds (This is an
extra & so is not chargeable
to 2nd fund) & refund
of Rs. allowance paid
in error to Capt Skelton.

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GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

Mombasa, 261

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EAST AFRICA PROTECTORATE

No. 626

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22 Nov. 1915
COL. OFFICE

25th October 1915.

Sir,

With reference to your despatch No. 626 of the 1st of August respecting the loan of the services of Captain Skelton of the Zanzibar Medical Service to this Protectorate for plague duty at Mombasa I have the honour to inform you that considerable misunderstanding has arisen with regard to the emoluments to be granted him in return for his services.

2. It appears that in the first instance the Principal Medical Officer suggested to Captain Skelton that he should be paid an allowance of Rs.15 per diem to cover all expenses of living at Mombasa, and that if this were not sanctioned, endeavour would be made to obtain approval for the payment of Rs.8 per diem travelling allowance in accordance with the scale granted to Zanzibar Officials.

3. Captain Skelton was, however, under the impression that Dr Milne had offered him both Rs.15 per diem for living expenses with an additional

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SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES,

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additional Rs.8 per diem travelling allowance and accordingly presented his vouchers for payment. These vouchers were passed by the Chief Sanitary Officer in the absence of the Principal Medical Officer in spite of the fact that no documents existed on the subject and that sanction from headquarters had not been obtained.

4. The question of any special allowance to Captain Skelton should of course have been dealt with at the time he was sent to this Protectorate by the Zanzibar Government and a regrettable contrecoup thus avoided.

As it is, he has drawn allowances at both the above mentioned rates and has thus been placed in a somewhat invidious position. I am of opinion, therefore, that he should be called upon to refund the extra allowance paid him at the rate of Rs.8 per diem and have accordingly issued instructions to that effect. I would, however, recommend that he be permitted to retain the allowance of Rs.10 per diem which in view of the value of his services and the high cost of living in Mombasa is by no means excessive, and I trust that I may receive in due course an expression of your approval of this arrangement.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your humble, obedient servant,

A. Conway Bayfield

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Sir,

E.A.P.
No. 1019
for Belfield

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I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your despatch, No. 828, of the 25th of October, and to inform you that I approve of your proposal that Capt. Skelton of the Zanzibar Medical Service, should be allowed to retain the allowance of Rs 15 per diem to cover all expenses of living for the period during which he was