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SUPPLEMENTARY ESTIMATES 1911-12

States items required to cope with increased railway traffic. It seems probable that this sum will not be expended by some £4000. All other items are reallocations or covered by savings. Amount of new savings £18,000. Revised estimate revenue was £700,135 but may now be put at £705,00. In arriving at estd surplus balance on march 31st next this second supplementary estimate was allowed for.

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Copy revised (with additions) sent to the Secy. for the Colonies. Some. Feb. 1912

Mr Butler

~~Mr Butler~~

(I have this through you first as I have discussed the West Question with you)

Mr Butler

(I am sorry not to have sent this in before but the matter has wanted a good deal of thought & research)

I fear that even now the situation is not at all clear. What we want to know and what we do not yet know is (1) Will these Estimates cause an excess on the gross authorised total for the year, and, if so, by how much? It is really quite impossible to answer this question on the information before us. One would imagine from the first

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sentence of this telegram that the whole of items 13, 14 and 15, totalling altogether £14,437 would involve an excess on the gross authorised total, and that only the other items, totalling altogether £16,499, could be met from savings. But this cannot be so, because the Governor now states that there will be new savings (viz: savings not foreseen when the first Supplementary Estimates were framed) to the amount of £18000 to meet the expenditure now proposed. (2) Does the £18000 of Savings include 're-allocations or not? They appear to be of a 'reallocating expenditure in the East Africa Protectorate. When the Estimates have been fixed, they appear to think that they are free to juggle with them as they like so long as the total of a head is not exceeded. A certain amount of transfer from one subhead to another is of course necessary, but it should be kept within the narrowest possible limits. Re-allocation simply means finding money for a new service out of savings on another service, and to speak of some of the items of a Supplementary Estimate being 'reallocations' and some being met from Savings is only confusing, and the sooner that the term 're-allocation' in this sense is removed from the East Africa Protectorate financial vocabulary the better.

If re-allocations are not included in the £18000 and the additional Railway Expenditure (items 13, 14 and 15) is not exceeded by the £4000, it is just possible that we may be able to rub along without exceeding the gross authorised total for the year. If on the other hand, the re-allocations are included in the £18000 and it is necessary to expend all the Railway Expenditure included in the present Estimate, I fear that we shall be driven to exceed the gross authorised total. If we do, it will only be on account of the unexpectedly ~~great~~ increase of Railway traffic (an increase of course which means a corresponding increase of revenue), and we shall, I think, have a good case to plead to the Treasury. But it is most desirable to avoid

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this if at all possible, and I think that we had better telegram at once to the Governor and tell him so. With regard to the last sentence of the Governor's telegram, I notice that in the Statement of Assets and Liabilities on the 31st of March 1912 appearing in the Draft Estimates no express reference is made to the second Supplementary estimate, but I observe that on the Liabilities side of the account appears 'Revised Expenditure for 1911-12 as per Estimates 2751,144, and it is to be presumed that the second Supplementary Estimate carries within this figure. It is quite impossible to say how this figure is arrived at, and the proper course would be to refer to the ^{Liability} side of the Account the gross authorised total for the year as together with the First and Second Supplementary Estimates (or, if the Second Supplementary Estimate had not been definitely settled when the Draft Estimates for 1912-13 were framed, an appropriate estimate of such Supplementary Expenditure) and on the Assets side any savings on these estimates that were estimated to accrue. We should point this out to the Governor, and ask him to submit a revised statement of Assets and Liabilities accordingly.

To read for the present telegram, but a consideration of the present difficulties has led me to think that it is necessary to go somewhat deeper and overhaul the whole system of Supplementary Estimates in the East Africa Protectorate (and the other East African Protectorates). In the first place the Supplementary Estimates as at present sent home should only be those which should properly be included in a Supplementary Estimate at all. If any East African Protectorate Supplementary Estimate is examined, it will be found that it is

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taken up largely with excesses on one subhead, or expenditure on a new subhead, which can be met out of savings on another subhead of the same head. Each expenditure should not properly appear in the Supplementary Estimates at all, but only new expenditures, whether an excess on an existing subhead or a new service altogether, which cannot be found out of savings within the proper head. See Colonial Regulation 396.

This does not mean of course that the Governor can sanction transfers between subheads on his own authority. Colonial Regulation 396 and 304 lays down that he must, sooner or later have the authority both of the Secretary of State and of the Legislative Council. For small items of a non-recurring character, the prior approval of the Secretary of State is not required, always provided of course that the total authorised for the year is not exceeded, but it will be sufficient to include them in the Quarterly Return of all unusual payments required by Colonial Regulation 396 (Viii). Large or unusual items, or items involving expenditure of a recurrent nature should, as soon as the likelihood of their becoming necessary is foreseen, be reported to the Secretary of State either in separate despatches, or two or three together if more convenient. The Secretary of State will then submit to the Treasury, and it will, in ordinary cases, be possible for the Governor to receive the Secretary of State's authority before the expenditure is actually incurred. This will be more convenient than the present practice of lumping

** In regard to the above I have been advised by the Treasury that the present practice is to require the Governor to report to the Secretary of State before incurring any expenditure of a recurrent nature, and of a substantial amount, which is not already included in the Supplementary Estimate. It is suggested that the Governor should be empowered to incur such expenditure on his own authority, provided that the total authorised for the year is not exceeded, and that the expenditure is reported to the Secretary of State in the Quarterly Return. This would be more convenient than the present practice of lumping*

lumping items, small and great, together in a Supplementary Estimate with the result that on many items of expenditure which strictly require the prior authority of the Secretary of State, expenditure at any rate begins before the Secretary of State's authority is received. The items thus separately submitted will in due course, when approved, appear in the Quarterly Returns, with the number and date of the Secretary of State's despatch approving them, the authority for them, so that the Quarterly Returns will furnish a complete record of all variations from the expenditure of the year as originally authorised.

It follows as a part of the procedure which I suggest that the Secretary of State's approval of these deviations will be given on the Quarterly Returns rather than on the Supplementary Estimates (falsely so called). The larger and unusual items will already have been sanctioned on the separate despatches submitted, and it will only be necessary to sanction the items which have not already been sanctioned. The Quarterly Returns should show clearly the source (sanction or head) from which it is proposed to draw the provision necessary to meet the various items, and the authority for such items as need the Secretary of State's prior authority. So long as the gross authorised total is not exceeded, it does not matter so far as the Quarterly Returns are concerned, whether an excess is met from savings on another subhead of the same head, or from savings on another head, provided of course that ultimately the excesses of heads are included in a Supplementary Estimate and sanctioned as

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Telegram.

The Governor of the East Africa Protectorate to the Secretary of State for the Colonies.

(Received Colonial Office 3.5 p.m. 10th February, 1912.)

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No. 31. Your telegram 2nd February items 13, 14, 15 additional expenditure required to cope with increased traffic on railway but it seems probable that this sum will not be expended by some £4,000. All other items are re-allocations or covered by savings. ^{2,100} ~~2,000~~ _{Revenue} ^{2,100} ~~2,000~~ _{Revenue} was £700,100 but may be put at £700,000. In arriving at estimated surplus balance on March 31st next the second supplementary estimate was also be for.

Yours faithfully

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REPLIES SHOULD BE ORDERED

via post



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- Mr. [unclear]
- Mr. Butler
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14th of March & has been
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last sentence of the
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10th of Feb, I am
shown that in the
Statement of Estimates
Assets & Liabilities ^{as} on the
31st of March 1912 ^{appended} ~~attached~~
to the Draft Estimate
for 1912-13 the Expenditure
reference is made to the
Second Supplementary Estimate,
but it will be noticed
that in the Liabilities
side of the ^{Statement} ~~Account~~
the Revised Estimate
for 1911-12 as per Estimate
is shown as £757,144
No explanation is given
of this Expenditure, but it is
to be presumed that it
includes the Revised Estimate

Statement has submitted.
It will be seen that the
total Supplementary Estimate
is separately shown in the
liabilities side in amount
£ 748,173. That added
to the figure for Revenue
Expenditure gives a
total of £ 797,577. The
total Expenditure is properly
opposed by £ 762,746,
and the total Supplementary
Estimate is £ 34,831, making
£ 797,577 - all the
expenditure shown in the
Statement of Grants & Liabilities
is for £ 25,900 & less

DRAFT.

(Draft not
written)

MINUTE.

- Mr.
- Mr.
- Sir G. Fiddes
- Sir H. Just.
- Sir J. Anderson
- Lord Emmott.
- Mr. Harcourt.

of has already approved
the Appropriation has
Amount of the Second
Supplementary Estimate.
It will be seen from
the accounts dep. of the
of March that he has
called his attention of the
~~first~~ the day
the importance of the
manner in which his
Statement of Grants &
Liabilities has been drawn
up, and that he has
been instructed to send
requests that
Statement
may be sent home
with the papers from
the difficulty of
dealing with the present

Supplementary Estimates

has suggested the necessity

of taking down the

provisions of the

provisions, for the purpose

of the provisions to be

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Estimates, and I am

of the House of Commons

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Supplementary Estimate
has suggested the desirability
of laying down, for the
guidance of the ^{the Govt,} ~~the~~
~~authorities~~, general principles
as to the procedure to be
followed in regard to
other than
expenditure in ~~the~~
the various ~~in the~~
Estimates, and I am
of opinion, for the convenience
of the House of Commons,
the draft of a despatch
it is
which has been prepared
to be presented to the
House of Commons with
the Bill ~~in~~ ~~the~~
address, similar to

for the House of Commons
the result of the
proceedings of the
Committee of the
House of Commons
in regard to the
proposed
Bill
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the honor to be
Dear Sir,
I have the honor to
acknowledge the receipt
of your letter of the
10th inst. in relation
to the proposed
Bill for the
amendment of the
Act in relation to
the House of Commons
and I am glad to
hear that you are
of opinion that the
Bill is of great
importance and
deserves the
attention of the
House of Commons.
I have the honor to
be, Dear Sir,
Your obedient
servant,
J. P. [Signature]

J. P. [Signature]
Feb 13 1871

proposed amendments to the
provisions of the Act
and to the House of Commons
subject to the
the case of the
that it is proposed
that the provisions
of the Act should be
amended in
the manner
proposed in the
Bill
I have the honor
to be, Dear Sir,
Your obedient
servant,
J. P. [Signature]

J. P. [Signature]
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Downing Street,

14 March, 1912.

DRAFT.

AFRICA PROTECTORATE

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THE OFFICER ADMINISTERING
THE GOVERNMENT OF
THE EAST AFRICA PROTECTORATE.

Sir,

I have the honour to confirm

my telegram of the 6th of March

MINUTE.

Mr. H.F.S. 12/3

Mr. B. 13/3

Mr. C. 13

Mr. D. 14

Mr. E. Just.

Mr. J. Anderson.

Lord Emmott.

Mr. Harcourt.

which read as follows

Your telegram of 10th February, No. 31, it is not clear from information furnished whether excess on the authorised total expenditure for the financial year 1911-12 is involved in Second Supplementary Estimate. I consider it very important that authorised total should not be exceeded and no effort should be spared to prevent this if possible unless unavoidably caused by increase of

S draft to Comm.
In the table of commences I have taken the part of my minute dealing with financial procedure, at least, as far as it goes to the draft can be at once, but the draft as to financial procedure shall wait for Treasury commences.

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railway, etc., if excess cannot be
applied to the exact estimated
amount.

The situation as reported in Mr
Mr. Girouard's telegram
Mr. Girouard's telegram of the 10th
of January is not clear to me. It would
seem from the first sentence of that
telegram that the whole of items 13, 14,
and 15 of the Second Supplementary Esti-
mate amounting altogether to £14,607,
would involve an excess on the gross
authorized total, and that only the
other items together totalling £10,494,
could be met from savings. But this
appears to be a wrong conclusion; for
it is stated in Mr. Girouard's telegram that there
will be new savings to the amount of
£10,000 available to meet the expenditure
now proposed. Further I do not under-
stand whether the £10,000 referred to in-
cludes only the new savings or also

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or not, and on this point I should
be glad to be informed. In this
connection, I desire to point out
that there appears to be some mis-
understanding with regard to the
manner of dealing with expenditure
in excess of the amounts specific-
ally provided for or for which no pro-
vision exists in the Estimates. It
should be understood as is laid down
in Colonial Regulation 256, that,
when the Estimates have been finally
sanctioned, the expenditure of the
year is definitely limited and
arranged, and that reallocation or
re-arrangement of the sub-heads
contained in the authorized Estimates
is inadmissible. Should any further
expenditure be necessary whether on
account of services already provided

for

lay or on services not contemplated.

When the amount is not sufficient to cover the
such additional Expenditure involves

either an excess on the authorized

provision or the insertion of a new item

the insertion of new items which will

be met

either out of savings on other items or

to be provided for by supplementary

estimates. The general question of the

procedure to be followed in regard to

expenditure in excess of that authorized

in the Estimates forms the subject of a

separate despatch of estimates should

be shortly be addressed to you

3. With regard to the last sentence

of Sir P. Curzon's telegram of the 10th of

February, I notice that in the Statement

of Assets and Liabilities at the close of

March 1917 appears in the first column

no express reference is made to the credit

Supplementary Estimate through the first

Supplementary

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Supplementary estimate as separately

shown, but I observe that the

insertion of the ^{Balance} ~~amount~~

of the ^{Balance} ~~amount~~

per estimate is not sufficient

to cover the ^{Balance} ~~amount~~

of the ^{Balance} ~~amount~~

settled when the draft for 1912-13 were framed, an approximate estimate of such Supplementary expenditure) and on the Assets side, any savings on these Estimates that were estimated to accrue. I have to request that you will submit a revised Statement of Assets and Liabilities accordingly.

As regards the details of the second Supplementary Estimate, I have no particular comments to make except with regard to item No. 19 (Two Store houses at Nairobi). The proposal with regard to this item which amounts, as I understand it, to starting a new service in 1911-12 out of the unexpended balance of expenditure on another service in 1910-11 is a serious violation of proper financial procedure, and I have to express my regret that so improper a proposal should have been put forward. The two ~~services~~ ^{services} are a ~~serious~~ ^{serious} ~~violation~~ ^{violation} ~~of~~ ^{of} ~~proper~~ ^{proper} ~~financial~~ ^{financial} ~~procedure~~ ^{procedure}.

necessity, they ~~should~~ ^{ought} be built, and the money for them should be found, if possible, from savings this year, and not from some unexpended ~~balance~~ ^{balance or} last year, which was ~~purged~~ ^{purged} other balances in the general balance. It hardly appears possible that the ~~if~~ ^{if} ~~it~~ ^{it} ~~is~~ ^{is} ~~not~~ ^{not} ~~possible~~ ^{possible} that the ~~two~~ ^{two} ~~houses~~ ^{houses} ~~are~~ ^{are} ~~not~~ ^{not} ~~urgent~~ ^{urgent} that it was impossible to ~~start~~ ^{start} ~~any~~ ^{any} ~~other~~ ^{other} ~~service~~ ^{service} ~~in~~ ⁱⁿ ~~1911-12~~ ¹⁹¹¹⁻¹² shall be ~~to~~ ^{to} be favoured with a further report on the matter.