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March 4th, 1912.

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Sir,

In reply to your despatch of the 20th of December, 1911, I have the honour to state that the account presented by Messrs Middleton, Hunter and Co for professional services rendered in connection with the Mombasa Water Supply Scheme is not considered to be fair and reasonable.

2. The Resident Engineer in charge of the works says that in his opinion 20 guineas would be ample remuneration, while the Director of Public Works, who has had various other reports on similar subjects from Consulting Engineers in London, suggests 50 guineas as a suitable sum. In view however of certain visits to and conversations with Sir Percy Girouard the latter thinks that perhaps a payment of 100 guineas would be not unreasonable, although the actual work does not represent that value.

3. The report was accompanied by an unnecessarily large and expensive lithographed Section of the proposed pipe line, while the bridge project for crossing the Mombasa Canal is quite unnecessary, as the provision of a foot passage for pedestrians is sufficient although the necessity for it is doubtful.

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE
LESLIE SIMONDS, F.R.S., M.P.,
SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES,
DOWNING STREET, LONDON, S.W.

Director of Public Works preliminary memorandum.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your humble, obedient servant,

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ACTING GOVERNOR.

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