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(Subject.)

Abolition of Legal Status of Slavery
Registrar of Slaves.

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Mr Macdonald appointed with effect from 1st Sept. Suggests £100 a year his former salary for Registrar of Slaves of 14 years of his service

(Minute)

Mr Read

I do not think that we can increase the salary which we thought suitable for Registrar of Slaves in order to make things easier for Mr Macdonald.

Moreover his position under the decision conveyed in our conf. doc of 31st July 1897. With assuming his salary as Registrar of Slaves to remain at £500

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is not materially more than the
Gov. has suggested if the
Gov's own suggestion in 25269
had been carried out.

The Gov. suggested fine of £150
proportion toward of Collector
presumably with the ordinary
salary of that rank (£400)
Under the Sup. P. Ordinance he is
fined (in effect) £850 the amount
he is had to pay in compensa-
tion to the natives whom he
maltreated & is given a post
at £500 a year.

He is thus £400 to the bed to
start with, but in the 4 years
he has to pay before getting his
leave he will get £1000 a
more than he would have had
as Collector, & his pension
reduced on a salary of £500

£500 instead of £400 will
be about £48-¹⁰ more, so

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that if he lives a few years
he will make up the difference.

2 Pay that the S.P.P. is worth
less than a higher rate than
£500 p.a. for the office

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Mr. Arthur

So proceed?

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W. J. R.
at home

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East Africa Protectorate
Confidential (62)

Foreign Office
Kansh.

14 September 1907

My Lord,

In accordance with the
expression of Your Lordships wishes in
paragraph 4 of Your Lordships
confidential despatch of July 31st.
I have the honor to report that I
have appointed Mr MacDonnell to be
Regulating Officer to investigate claims
in connection with the abolition of
the legal status of slavery, with effect
from the 1st instant.

I observe that in paragraph 4
of letter N° 12201/07 of July 6th from
the words of H. L. Treasury to Your
Lordships Office it is stated that
Your Lordships are prepared to
sanction the appointment of a
Regulator of Slaves at a salary of £500
/-

H. L. Principal Secretary of State
for the Colonies
Downing Street
London

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for three years.

I would ask however whether it would be possible to continue the payment of his former salary of £600 per annum to L^{td} Mac Donnell for the remaining 3 or 4 years of his service.

Regarding the matter purely -- it affects L^{td} Mac Donnell. I am of opinion that the loss of £100 a year would entail considerable hardship on this Officer who has already been sufficiently punished by his compulsory retirement from the Service on his reaching the age of 50 and by the heavy pecuniary loss he has sustained over the Siga case; shall from the point of view of the public service, the duties he will have to perform requiring considerable tact, judgment and knowledge of native character, will not be too highly paid at the rate proposed.

I have the honor to be

with the highest respect,

My Lord,

Your Lordship's most Obedient

humble Servant,

George S. Miller

