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No. 18165

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22 MAY 07

Office of Individual

(Subject)

from Agents

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W. P. Kay

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European Police Constables for Nairobi

Transmits copy letter from Metropolitan Police, who thinks that terms offered are not likely to attract candidates, and that he cannot in any case see the re-absorption of constables in that Police. He will however act for 1700 constables.

(Minutes.)

Mr. P. G. ...

... in his minutes ... any ... taken the ... from his room ... (1/1/07) ... attached them for reference.

I would like to consider the question of E.A.P. since country for ... the case of recruits ... I think such ... want for ... men will ... give up 3 years ... in England for £152 per ... 3 years ... E.A. ... the risk of being ... and consequently discharged from their ... Eng Police force.

... we must offer these men ... punishable employment ... we must try to get ... men from ... select ...

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a permanent European police force
cannot do more at present
than offer employment for 3 years
with no further prospects.

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We shall not get the same class
of men that would be obtainable
if we could hold out prospects of
permanent remunerable employment.

~~Should the circumstances~~ I should
suggest that the question of
permission be held over until
we see what class of men will
volunteer under the conditions laid

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ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO BE ADDRESSED TO THE CROWN AGENTS FOR THE COLONIES, THE ABOVE REFERRED AND THE DATE OF THIS LETTER BEING QUOTED.

TEL. ADM. CROWN, LONDON

WHITEHALL GARDENS.

LONDON, S.W.

21st. May, 1907.

East Africa.

Sir,

With reference to our letter of the 11th. of May respecting the thirteen police constables required for service in the European Police at Nairobi, I have the honour to enclose herewith a copy of the reply which we have received from the Commissioner of Metropolitan Police.

2. It will be seen that the Commissioner is unable to agree to the proposal that the constables engaged should be reabsorbed into the force on the satisfactory expiration of their engagements.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

H. Smith

for Crown Agents.

Under Secretary of State.

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Colonial Office.

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The Commissioner of Metropolitan Police to Crown Agents

No. 522,284

re East African Protectorate Police

New Scotland Yard, S.W.

13th May 1907

Gentlemen,

With reference to your letter of the 6th instant, No. 2783, I am directed by the Commissioner of Police of the Metropolis to acquaint you that he regrets it would not be possible for him - having due regard to the interest of the ratepayers - to agree to the arrangement suggested in paragraph 6 of your letter, viz., that officers who volunteer for service in the East African Protectorate should, if necessary, be re-absorbed into the Metropolitan Police on their return to this Country. The Commissioner also desires me to say that the terms offered are not, he fears, sufficiently high to prove attractive - in view of the facts that a Constable in the Metropolitan Police can draw 33s. 6d. per week, and 2s. 6d. rent aid, plus boot and coal allowances; he can sometimes secure good quarters at a very favourable rate of rent, and, while serving, he is qualifying the whole of the time for pension.

In these circumstances, it seems that it would hardly be to the interest of a Constable to accept the terms now offered, when the salary and emoluments are not

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very appreciably higher, and when service does not carry pension rights; but I am to add that the Commissioner will nevertheless, ascertain whether there are any volunteers

I am, &c.,

(Sgd.) George H. Edwards
for Chief Clerk.