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Customs Duty on Mules and Cattle  
 will raise no objection to raise

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 Customs Act for facilitating of the  
 acquisition of their animals &  
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In the reply to this letter the following  
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TREASURY CHAMBERS,  
January 1907.

Sir,

I have laid before the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury Mr. Antrobus' letter of the 15th ultimo (3529/1906) in which the Earl of Elgin recommends that the exemption from Customs duties of entire horses and asses imported into the East Africa Protectorate may be extended to include mules and geldings.

In reply I am to say that, as the Secretary of State is aware - vide Treasury letter of the 3rd November last (No. 18096/06) - My Lords are opposed in principle to alterations of particular items in a Customs tariff without consideration of the tariff as a whole, and particularly so when - as in East Africa - that tariff has only recently been revised.

As however the duty on mules and geldings appears to be productive of very little revenue and to be harmful to the development of the Protectorate, My Lords will raise no objection to its remission.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

The Under Secretary of State,  
Colonial Office.