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(Subject.)

Southern Boundary of Abyssinia Control

Unwilling to sanction increased  
except to Trang Laps until question of continuing  
present measures for protection of frontier has been  
decided

(Minutes.)

Mr. Condoles

The larger question to  
which the Treasury refers is the  
question of appointing 3 British  
officers to act as Inspectors of  
the Frontier under Sir J.  
Harrington. This is waiting  
for orders from Sir J. H. (see  
14277) until the frontier  
is delineated. In the mean  
time the £ provision for  
additional cost for Mr.  
Zophar the general

I hope, with less debate to the  
actual adoption of the Engineer  
scheme.

Mr. Clark of the F.O. who was  
present at Lord's Works & knows  
the conditions is very strong on  
the subject of an delay of  
justification. The terms included in  
our P.O. from the engineers  
of the Abyssinians, & I think we  
had used this letter for F.O. done  
& subsequently sent to the Treasury  
giving us the money.

M. 13/4

It seems clear, from Sir J. Harrington's  
talk, that the increased escort is required at  
once. Some time, even if the Treasury sanction  
the Commission getting under weigh at once (see  
minutes on 15255), must necessarily elapse  
before they are on the spot. Their labours will  
take, in all probability, at least a year, and  
the larger question is to be deferred until the  
Boundary Commission has done its work, as  
Sir J. Harrington considers it better not to

raise it with the Executive before then. Meanwhile the raiding & looting continues, and, if we can trust the reports we receive, the E. A. Protectorate revenues suffer heavily in consequence.

Even allowing that the £3,500 a year which is now lost to the Protectorate (Sir J. Harrington's tel N:17, March 28/00) may be too high a figure, I think we should be justified in assuming that the increased escort should at any rate save enough to the Prot<sup>o</sup> revenues to meet what <sup>it will</sup> ~~they~~/cost - £500 a year - to say nothing of the greater prospects of peace and quiet on the frontier. I would venture to suggest a renewed appeal to the Treasury somewhat on these lines.

G.V.C.

4-V-00

Mr. Underwood

Draft submitted

18/5/00

Mr. Underwood

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TREASURY CHAMBERS.

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27 April 1908.

Sir,

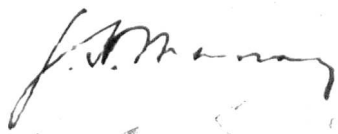
I have laid before the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury Mr. Antrobus's letter of the 14th instant (11732/1908), and its enclosures, respecting a proposal to increase the escort of the Travelling Inspector of the Southern Abyssinian boundary at an estimated cost of £500 a year.

In reply I am to request you to inform the Earl of Crewe that My Lords are unwilling to sanction any addition to the escort of the Travelling Inspector until it has been finally decided whether the existing measures for the protection of the frontier should be continued on their present footing; and They would therefore be glad if this proposal could be deferred pending consideration of the larger question.

I am,

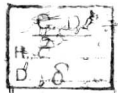
Sir,

Your obedient Servant.



Under Secretary of State,  
Colonial Office.

Lucas: EAP  
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Ans'd 16 May

DRAFT

U.S. of A.  
P.O.

MINUTE

- Mr.
- Mr.
- Mr. Just
- Mr. Atrobus.
- Mr. Cox.
- Mr. Lucas.
- Sir R. Hopwood.
- Ch. Justice
- Mr. Churett.

July 7.5

The Earl of <sup>Gen.</sup> ~~Albia~~

24th April '08

Lucas - 27 April '08  
 Ch. Justice - May 16  
 (in suit form)

Sir  
 In reference to the  
 letter from the Dep<sup>y</sup> to  
 the U.S. of A., I am  
 directed by the E & C  
 to transmit copies to  
 be laid before Sir  
 E. Grey ~~to accompany~~  
 copies of a letter from the  
 Treasury on the subject  
 of the proposed additional  
 escort for the travelling  
 inspectors of the Abyssinian  
 Boundary.

It is also to be  
 noted that the  
 a copy of the

had been proposed, if

S. E. Grey concerns  
return ~~to the Treasury~~  
to address ~~to the~~

letter

W.H.

Treasury  
74990

L.A.P.  
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~~City of New York~~  
New York

PO

13 May '08  
~~14 May '08~~

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Treasury

MINUTE.

Mr. ~~W. S. P.~~

Mr.

Mr. Jew.

X Mr. Anshus. 6

Mr. Cox.

Sir C. Lucas.

X Sir F. Hopwood. *File 7.5*

Ch. July  
New-Orleans.

The Earl of ~~...~~ *Case E.S.V.*

*for cover*

Sir I am directed  
by the head of Bureau  
to acknowledge receipt of  
your letter of  
the 27th ult. on the  
subject of the proposed  
additional amount  
for the travelling expen-  
-ses of the Physician  
Bourdeaux and to  
request that you  
will advise the L.C.  
of the Treasury to reconsider  
their proposed limitation  
of additional expenses  
of \$500 instead of

I have caused reference  
to be made to the  
action in this draft  
it will be seen  
from previous papers that  
information was attached to  
being this the laboratory  
this is also  
to account for consulting P.O.  
on the draft  
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of the G.A.P. by the  
locking of irons  
from our territory  
by the Aborigines,  
of consequent loss of  
the duty payable  
to the Govt. in its ex-  
-pense. It seems  
probable that the  
additional cost  
will enable the Inspector  
to receive at least  
£500 of this loss.

I am to add that  
~~the loss of the~~  
the loss of the Inspector  
Station on  
the subject with the S. I.  
has Foreign Affairs  
who initially considered  
the news set forth  
above.