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Sir,

In reply to Mr. Antrobus's letter (36000/1908) of the 15th instant, I am to say, for the information of the Secretary the Earl of Crews, that the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury agree that the re-alignment of the Uganda Railway between Mazeras (mile 15) and Mankin Road (mile 62) may be completed as planned, even though the cost will exceed by £14,187 the original estimate.

But My Lords see no reason why this excess should be provided for in the Estimates. In Their view it should be met, like the rest of the cost of the re-alignment, out of Capital funds issued under the Uganda Railway Acts, and any sanction charge being made accordingly.

The propriety of this charge is not affected by the circumstance that (as Your Lordships understand) the whole of the unexpended balance of the same issued under the Acts has been earmarked. Certain of the works to which the amount has been allocated will not be completed for some years to come (e.g. the works at Mankin Road) and My Lords hope that savings may occur in the works to cover the excess now in question. It would be desirable to prove the estimate, and to show the means of providing for any ultimate excess which may arise.

Yours faithfully,  
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