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Governor - No.

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Transfer of Mr. Hochley's farm
to Mr. P. Cott.

1909

29 June.

Last Previous Paper.

Sends letter to Ag Commr of Lands. Asks whether
proposed transfer to be made in view of the
large area already granted to Mr. Cott.

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Mr. ~~Reed~~ Fiddes

Lord Alton's draft of 9 Nov 08
about land tenure contemplates
quadruple restriction of holdings above
50,000 acres & prohibition of holdings
above 100,000 acres

The present proposal is that
50000 - 75000 land should be
transferred to a man who has 35,000
acres already and who can hardly find
to 75000. It is to be feared that once a few
grants are made in respect of proposed transfer

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as it is understood that the area of
the farm to be transferred is only
1,000 acres.

Colonel Selby

W.H.B.

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I just agree

and 450, 6 Aug

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Governor's Office,
Nairobi,

June 29th 1909.

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EAST AFRICA PROTECTORATE.

No. 347

Incl. 1



My Lord,

I have the honour to transmit herewith for
favour of Your Lordship's instructions a copy of a
letter from the Acting Commissioner of Lands respecting
the transfer of a farm at present occupied by Mr.
Hockley to Mr. Powys Cobb.

Commr. of Lands.
June-17th

2. In view of the large area already granted
to Mr. Cobb I should be glad to know whether Your
Lordship countenances a further accumulation of land
in his hands.

I have the honour to be,
With the highest respect,

My Lord,

Your Lordship's most obedient,
humble servant,

H. M. PRINCIPAL SECRETARY OF STATE

FOR THE COLONIES,

DOWNING STREET,

LONDON, S.W.

F. J. Jackson
F. J. Jackson

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INCLOSURE

In Despatch No. 307 of 29 6 1909

No. ~~355~~ 7/137/R.

Land Department, 95042

Nairobi,

17th June, 1909.

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Your Excellency.

I have received an application from a Mr. Hockley for permission to transfer his farm near Lake Naivasha to Mr. Powys Cobb. The improvements effected on the farm are sufficient to admit of transfer being allowed, and in the ordinary course reference to you would have been unnecessary. In this particular case, however, the transfer, Mr. Powys Cobb has been allowed a grant of some 35,000 acres with the special sanction of the Colonial Office. Under these circumstances I do not feel justified in allowing transfer of further land to Mr. Powys Cobb without special sanction, as recent orders of the Colonial Office have laid special stress on the importance of preventing the accumulation of large areas of land by individuals. I would be glad therefore if you would favour me with definite orders in this particular case.

I have the honour to be,

Your Excellency's
most obedient servant,

H. Blount
AG. Commissioner of Lands.

His Excellency the Acting Governor,

Nairobi.

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E. A. P. No. 50
The G. A. C.

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6 Aug 09

Order of 2009

Sir,

I have the honour to ack. the recd. of your despatch No. 347 of the 29th of June, enquiring whether permission may be given for the transfer of a farm near Lake Naivasha from Mr. E. D. Heckley to Mr. Pews Cobb, and to inform you that as it is understood that the area to be transferred is only 1,000 acres, I do not wish to raise any objection.

I, etc.,

MINUTE.

- Mr. Daulton 5
- Mr. Reed 5
- Mr. Just.
- Mr. Antrobus
- Mr. Cox
- Sir C. Lucas.
- Sir F. Hopwood.
- Col. Seely.
- The Earl of Crewe.

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