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*MS*

Governor No.  
No. 355

1909

*Places & death of hospital residents*

1 July

Last Previous Paper

*Requests continue as to procedure especially in regard to sending tele to England. Status unknown before in case of the late Mr. Kyle & regard optional*

*Amount 476. 14 Aug*

Mr. Read

*This will involve some small expense, but I think it most proper of the proposed pay 3, adding that the cost the same should be covered for the future. We need not say anything to the Public*

*W.D. 3/8*

Mr. Fiddler

*I agree*

*W.D.*

*4/8*

*Mr. Fiddler*

*X in J.H. Greenwood*

*I am inclined to approve & to send a circular.*

*W.D.*

*4/8*

*I think not. It is difficult to see where this would stop. The minutes on 11979*

as to officials, which I am sure, show  
the inherent difficulties. Where we have  
no direct responsibility it had better  
let the matter alone. In certain cases  
agencies must exercise their own judgment  
we may say this to E.A. Post. But  
I would issue no general instruction.

C.A.

Chief.

I should be disposed simply  
to answer this letter & say  
that in such cases as the  
ref. to arising in Gov. hospitals  
the S. of S. does not apply  
to the cases proposed but that  
an effort should be made to  
recover expenses.

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Reply as proposed

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Governor's Office,  
Nairobi,

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EAST AFRICA PROTECTORATE.

July 1st 1909.

No. 356

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My Lord,

I have the honour to request the favour of an expression of Your Lordship's views in regard to the procedure to be followed in the case of serious illness or death of unofficial residents in this Protectorate, who have no near relatives with them, and more particularly with reference to the despatch of cablegrams to England on their behalf.

2. The patients themselves are often not in a condition to authorize the sending of telegrams and, though I presume that the Government cannot be held to be responsible for the supply of information to the relations of persons who are not in its service, we render ourselves liable to a charge of inhumanity if we neglect to advise them.

3. I would suggest that when private persons are being treated in a Government Hospital their relatives should be informed of their condition in all cases in which a communication would have been sent, had the patients been officials. Private individuals falling ill or dying under any other circumstances can scarcely be considered to come within the cognizance of the Government.

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H.M. PRINCIPAL SECRETARY OF STATE

FOR THE GOVERNOR,  
DOWNING STREET,  
LONDON, S.W.

4. The question has arisen in connection with the case of Mr. Kyle, late of the Survey and Public Works Department and subsequently in business on his own account, who died in Mombasa Hospital on the 21st instant. Two telegrams were sent to his brother on his behalf and I should be glad to know whether Your Lordship approves of such action being taken.

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

My Lord,

Your Lordship's most obedient,

humble servant,



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July / 25<sup>th</sup> 1869

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DRAFT - Earl N<sup>o</sup> 476

say

Y<sup>r</sup> M<sup>rs</sup> 14 Aug 1869

MINUTE.

- Mr. Palmer 11/8
- Mr. Dean 12/8
- Mr. Fox 12/8
- Mr. Anstons
- Mr. Cox
- Sir C. Lucas
- Sir F. Hopwood
- Col. Seely
- The Earl of Crewe

Mr. Palmer should be known to  
 all: the receipt of your  
 despatch N<sup>o</sup> 355 of the  
 15<sup>th</sup> July, requesting  
 an expression of opinion  
~~in writing~~ as to the  
 question of improving friendly  
 relations ~~between~~  
 in the case of serious  
 illness or death of  
 unaffiliated ~~residents~~  
 residents in the Earl  
 who have no near  
 relatives with them

T.B. 2

2 I have no  
objection to ~~the~~<sup>your</sup>  
adoption ~~of~~  
the course

proposed in the  
case of private  
persons, who are  
being treated in a  
Govt. Hospital

but I am of  
opinion that an  
effort should be  
made to recover  
the ~~some~~ expenses  
incurred ~~in~~<sup>for telegrams,</sup>  
~~the~~ connection.

I have