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ORDER No.

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1909

25th Sept

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CURRENCY NOTES.

The copy of a Resolution passed by the Currency Commissioners and asks necessary steps may be taken as suggested to prohibit the cutting or mutilation of Currency Notes.

Mr. Rhodes

Mr. Reed

I presume that what the Govt wants is power under the C. O. to make rules penalising anyone who cuts or mutilates a currency note.

? Copy to Treasury & suggest that an amending Order should be passed giving the Govt power to make such rules.

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~~Mr. Reed~~  
Mr. Cox

I am not sure that giving the Govt power to make

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Subsequent Paper

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Notes is the correct way of meeting the difficulty  
could not get of the drive to amended, so as to bank  
mutilated notes on the same footing, as coins that  
have been illegally dealt with (see §§ 9-10) - is  
by providing that if mutilated they shall not be  
legal tender? At present, however, is difficult  
to define "mutilation" for this purpose.

Perhaps we may leave the Treasury to suggest  
what form the amendment shall take

H.R. 20/10

in 2 sides

H.R. 21/10

Why should not a currency note  
be cut in half? It is a common  
practice or was to do this to bank  
notes & send one half by one post &  
one by another. But we may as  
well stop any mutilation, write to  
Treasury as proposed?

~~Answers~~

H.R. 21/10

Mr Cox We have discussed this. The law of  
the country recognizes the practice of cutting  
bank notes in halves; and it is a legal  
decision that mutilation of a bank note  
in this way does not necessarily impair its value.  
I do not find this in the law; but the  
practice of sending half-notes by post is one  
of obvious convenience to the community;

and such further evidence obtained  
of the same, as to the course to be  
taken in connection with

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See H.R. Wood  
Lafree

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arise

Governor's Office,

Nairobi,

September 25th 1909.

EAST AFRICA PROTECTORATE.

No. 556

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18 OCT 1909

My Lord,

I have the honour to transmit herewith a copy of a resolution passed by the Currency Commissioners. I should be glad if the necessary steps might be taken as suggested to prohibit the cutting or mutilation of Currency Notes.

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

My Lord,

Your Lordship's most obedient,

humble servant,

Principal Secretary of State

for the Colonies,

Downing Street,

London, S.W.

INCLOSURE

In Despatch No. 556 of Sept 25<sup>th</sup> 1909

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Copy of Resolution.

Mutilated Notes.

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The Commissioners recommended that His Excellency the Acting Governor's attention should be drawn to the fact that the Currency Notes would appear to be in many instances unnecessarily mutilated and to suggest that steps should be taken for the Currency Order in Council 1905 to be so amended as to prohibit the cutting or mutilation of Currency Notes.

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30 Oct 1869

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Sir  
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I have the honor

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and 171 poms

to ack. the receipt of your  
depl. no 556 of the 25<sup>th</sup>  
of Sept  
~~lett~~ forwarding a copy

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In P. Inman

MINUTE.

- Mr. ~~WMS~~ 28<sup>th</sup> of a resolution passed
- Mr. ~~Butler~~ 29<sup>th</sup> by the Currency Commission
- Mr. Just.
- Mr. Antrobus.
- Mr. Cox.
- Sir C. Lucas.
- Sir F. Hopwood.
- Col. Seely.
- The Earl of Crewe.

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that steps should be  
taken to prohibit the  
cutting a mutilation  
of currency notes.

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practice of cutting bank  
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