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Governor No.

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BY PRINCIPAL FRASER

Transmits. Proposes to deal with the matter when submitting the draft Estimates for 1910-11. Meanwhile asks for telegraphic sanction to the reallocations in despatch 127 of 30th July

Mr. Read.

In the estimates for the current year a sum of £4,716 is provided for the purposes of education in the East Africa Protectorate. A certain amount of this, which Mr. Fraser in the enclosure in Gov/28274 puts at £1,717, is required for expenditure on existing establishment and arrangements. The balance has not been definitely allocated yet. It was arranged with the Treasury that such allocation should await the arrival of Mr. Fraser's report. We now have the report, a document of sixty closely printed pages, but we have not yet got the Governor's observations upon it. He states his intention of dealing more fully with the report in connexion with the draft estimates for 1910-11. In the meantime, he asks for approval by telegraph to the expenditure proposed by Mr. Fraser in his letter of the 16th of July, which forms the enclosure in Gov/28274.

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In forwarding that letter the Officer then administering the Government remarked "I am assured that even the ultimate rejection of Professor Fraser's permanent scheme would in no way affect this temporary measure of allocation for the present year". It appears to me that this remark has been very lightly made, and that Mr. Jackson is acting no less lightly in now pressing for telegraphic sanction for the proposed allocation, before the report has been fully considered.

The proposals in paragraph 5 of Mr. Fraser's letter of the 16th of July, for instance, raise the whole question of education for white children which was mooted in the late Governor's despatch of the 26th of February (1909), and with which it was decided ^{that} we would not deal except in connexion with Mr. Fraser's whole report. The proposals in paragraph 6 of Mr. Fraser's letter apparently involve the creation of an entirely new school. The proposals in paragraph 8 are open to the same objection as those in paragraph 5. The proposals in paragraph 9 apparently involve committing the Government to recurrent expenditure which they have not hitherto undertaken. The proposals in paragraphs 12 and 13 involve capital expenditure on the construction of schools, the principle of establishing which has yet to be decided. The proposal in paragraph 14 also involves committing ourselves for future years. An English headmaster engaged now could certainly not be turned adrift four months hence in the event of Mr. Fraser's recommendations not being approved. The proposals made in paragraph 15, particularly those under Head III, also appear to commit the Government to a policy not hitherto approved. The proposal in paragraph 17 is open to some objection as the proposal to engage an English headmaster, except that the amount involved is larger.

I do not see how we can possibly give the telegraphic sanction asked for without very large reservations.

The only alternative is to say that none of the new expenditure must be undertaken until the report has been fully considered. That would mean that none of the proposed expenditure would be incurred before the end of the present financial year, for the report is very voluminous, and will require careful and ~~extensive~~ discussion. In any case I do not think we should move without the concurrence of the Treasury.

I would propose, therefore, to send a copy of the correspondence to the Treasury: namely, ~~269~~,
28274 and our telegram in reply, and this despatch, with a copy of Mr. Fraser's report, and observe as above as to the particular proposals made in Mr. Fraser's letter of the 16th of July; and then go on to say that Lord Crewe proposes, with the concurrence of the Treasury, to inform the Governor by telegraph that none of the expenditure proposed in Mr. Fraser's letter must at present be undertaken which relates to entirely new services or to any extension of old services which commits the Government to increased recurrent expenditure in future years, but that otherwise, ~~ie~~, insofar as the proposals relate to further provision for existing services, such as the purchase of desks or equipment for existing schools, the expenditure may be undertaken; and that no new European appointments can be made, and none of the proposals for the construction of new buildings or for subsidising the education of white children can be approved, until Mr. Fraser's report has been carefully considered in the light of the observations which the Governor proposes to submit upon it.

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GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

Nairobi,

October 25th 1909.

EAST AFRICA PROTECTORATE.

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My Lord,

I have the honour to transmit Principal Fraser's Report on Education in the East Africa Protectorate.

Report

2. Principal Fraser has given a most exhaustive and interesting review of the existing conditions and his recommendations appear to provide for our future requirements on sound lines, though the financial situation may entail considerable modifications.

3. I would propose to deal more fully with this matter when the draft Estimates for 1910-11 are submitted.

4. Meanwhile I should be most grateful if telegraphic sanction could be accorded to the re-allocations asked for in my despatch No. 427 of July 30th.

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I have the honour to be,

Your Lordship's humble

obedient servant,

[Signature]
ACTING GOVERNOR.

H.M. PRINCIPAL SECRETARY OF STATE

FOR THE COLONIES

DOWNING GARDEN,

LONDON, S.W.

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The Secretary to

the Treasury

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2 December, 1909.

Sir,

MINUTE.

Mr. Butler. *Rec*

Mr. Read. *1*

Mr. Just.

Mr. Antrous.

Mr. Cox.

Sir C. Lucas.

Sir F. Hopwood.

Col. Seely.

The Earl of Ormea.

I am directed by the Earl of
Crewe to transmit to you, to be laid
before the Lords Commissioners of the
Treasury, a copy of correspondence with
the Governor of the East Africa Protec-
torate relating to expenditure on Educa-
tion in the current year. A copy of the
report made by Mr. Fraser on education
in the Protectorate is also enclosed.

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of Professor Fraser's scheme would in no way affect the temporary measure of allegation proposed by him for the present year. Lord Crewe is not satisfied that this is the case. The proposals made in paragraph 5 of Mr. Fraser's letter of the 16th of July, for instance,

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112 of the 26th of February last, ~~and his~~ ^{No.} answer has yet been made to her despatch in which Lord Crewe is not prepared to deal with this important question except in connection with Mr. Fraser's

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I am, &c.

(Signed) G. V. FIDDELL