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Water Supply for L. Inyanga

1910

3 June.

Confers at 2 June. Explains that question depends entirely on proposed removal of houses from Northern Reserve to neighbourhood of Inyanga. If move takes place, there will be no danger of water supply being exhausted.

W. Field

I understood from Mr Jackson that the settlers referred to in the 2<sup>nd</sup> para. had been actually moved into the country to the north of the Northern Reserve, ~~there~~ In any case, there is no big settlement in the neighbourhood of the Inyanga.

Ask: say that, pending a settlement of the Inyanga Lake question, he should not allow the construction of any irrigation work in addition to that referred to at the end of the 2<sup>nd</sup> para. - & ask him to state what how many settlers are located near the Inyanga, what promises have been made directly or by implication with regard

to the point of water right, &  
what amount of compensation should it be  
found necessary to move these settlers?

I do not think that we need say  
anything more to them? Samuel at  
this stage. They are probably satisfied  
with our tel. of the 27<sup>th</sup> of May, which  
told the firm to take the necessary  
precautions.

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GOVERNMENT HOUSE,  
Nairobi, JUN 10

EAST AFRICA PROTECTORATE.

June 3rd 1910.

CONFIDENTIAL

No.55



My Lord,

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In confirmation of my telegram No.90 of the 2nd instant, I have the honour to state that the question of the water supply for Lake Magadi depends entirely on the proposed removal of the Masai from the Northern Reserve to the neighbourhood of the Gussq Nyiro. If the move takes place there will be no danger of the exhaustion of the supply because, as pastoralists, they use but little water and would not want to irrigate.

2. If however the Masai remain where they are, the occupants of the farms on the Usso Nyiro, whom it was proposed to move, will also stay and they will certainly regard it as a breach of faith and a basis for compensation if they are not allowed to make irrigation works more particularly as they have already started one large furrow.

3. The Crown Lands Ordinance reserves all rights over water to Government, but, though in theory

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THE EARL OF CREWE, K.G.,

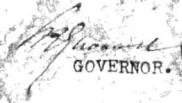
SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES,

DOWNING STREET, LONDON, S.W.

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theory this gives us a free hand, in practice it is difficult to justify any restriction except for the general benefit of the community.

I have the honour to be  
Your Lordship's humble,  
obedient servant,

  
GOVERNOR.

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Sup. Conf.

For Sir R. G. ...

28 July 1910

MINUTE.

Sir,

- Mr. Parkman
- Mr. ...
- Mr. Fiddes 25
- Mr. Just
- Mr. Cox
- Sir C. Lucas
- Sir F. Hopwood
- Col. Stealy
- Lord Greve

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I have the honour to ask: the receipt of your Conf: Serp. (55) of the 3rd of June, on the subject of the water supply for Lake Magadi, to inform you that pending the final settlement of the Lake Magadi question, you should not allow the construction of any irrigation work in addition to that referred

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second para: of  
your Des. under  
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2. I shd. be  
glad if you would  
state how many  
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near the Guasso

Nyiro, what  
promises have been  
made directly or  
by implication with  
regard to the grant  
of water rights, &  
what would be the  
probable amount of  
compensation, should  
it be found necessary  
to move the settlers.

Thank you