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(Subject.)

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Lease of land for cotton growing.

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This copy of a letter addressed to Mr Allen  
Solicitor, acting on behalf of a Capt. Diespecker,  
suggests the terms should be quoted to other applicants  
and advocates granting more than 10,000 acres to one  
person or syndicate

(History.)

Mr Read

The Commission does not  
answer our question as to  
whether suitable land is  
available in the localities  
named by Mr Faulkes.

The terms of the grant  
offer to me reasonable.

and I think we may  
inform said Mr Faulkes  
we extract from the com.  
is marked and tell  
him he can have a grant

last subsequent Paper.

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on these terms - (We need not  
ask for any special financial  
guarantee in such a small  
matter) 10/8

The price  
of the  
ground £5  
to find 5  
is, I think  
sufficient

On the emergency  
The Eastern land down the  
side of the deep seems to provide sufficiently  
for the benefit of the Commission, & there  
is now no reason for putting large enclosures  
in the tropical parts of the Park, the  
the heavily agricultural parts which are  
being taken up by white settlers.

I think  
that

Proceed as proposed by Mr. Ellis - &  
send copy of our L<sup>t</sup> to Mr. F. to the  
Comm<sup>rs</sup> for info L7?

H. J. R.  
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W. L. O. at once  
10/8

Commissioner's Office,

Mombasa,



June 24th 1905.

AFRICA PROTECTORATE.

No. 355

Sir,

With reference to your despatch No. 227 of 19th ultimo, enclosing copies of correspondence which has passed between Mr. Foukes and the Colonial Office on the subject of a lease of land for cotton growing, I have the honour to transmit to you herewith for your information a copy of a letter addressed by the Land Officer to Mr. Allen, Solicitor, acting on behalf of a Captain Diespecker who is starting a cotton estate in Goshu on the Juba River.

The terms laid down in this despatch have been accepted by the applicant, and I would suggest that like terms be quoted when replying to enquiries similar to Mr. Foukes's. I would also appreciate granting more than ten thousand acres to one person or syndicate.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient,

humble servant,

*J. S. ...*

H. M. Principal Secretary of State  
for the Colonies,  
Downing Street,  
LONDON.

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*Approved*  
*Checked*

Land and Survey Office,

Nairobi,

4th February 1905.

Sir,

In respect to your application on behalf of Captain Diespecker for land in Jubaland for the cultivation of cotton, the Government are prepared to grant land on the following terms: a lease of 500 acres free of rent for 3 years with the right to lease 9500 acres should the following conditions be fulfilled on the 500 acres during the aforesaid three years. That the grantee plant within the area of 500 acres:

1/10 of the total area of 500 acres during the 1st year	50 acres
1/5 " " " " " " " " " " " " " " " " " " " "	2nd " " 100 "
2/5 " " " " " " " " " " " " " " " " " " " "	3rd " " 200 "
	Total " 350 "

If at the end of the 3 years these conditions have been fulfilled, the grantee will be given occupation of the larger area, namely 9500 acres, and will be granted a 99 years lease of the same at a rental of Rs.1500 per annum, provided that he covenants to spend a sum of 25000 in the development of the land within 5 years, and that the following covenant be inserted in the lease: that by the end of 1st year 1/20 of the total area be planted in cotton. This would include the 350 acres already planted making an extra area of 150 acres to be planted. During the 2nd and 3rd years an additional 1/20 or 500 acres must be planted making a total of 1500 acres at the termination of 3 years. Provided that

G. Allen, Esq.,

Solicitor,

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that this maximum area of 1500 acres be always kept under cultivation, no further conditions will be imposed, and provided, in the event of the Lessee wishing to surrender land, he shall have the option of so doing by giving to Government a six months notice of such surrender.

It is further understood that the land should be selected subject to the approval of the Land Officer, and that provision for reservation of Forest by Government will be made. This offer will hold good till May 1st 1905, 50 acres must be under cultivation before May 1st 1906.

I am, etc., etc.,

(Sd.) R. Wright.

Chief Surveyor & Land Officer.

Mr. S. B. Allen.

Inclosure

In Mr. S. Stearns's despatch  
referred to June 24th 1905.



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Joseph Foulkes Esq

Aug 5 1898

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Mr. Ellis 11/8

Mr. Read 12/8

Mr. Antrobus

Mr. Cox

Mr. Lucas

Mr. Graham

Sir H. Drummaney

The Duke of Marlborough

Mr. Lytton

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Dear Sir  
With reference to the  
letter from this Dept  
of the 9<sup>th</sup> of June  
I am directed by  
Mr. Sec. Lytton  
to transmit to you  
for your info the  
accompanying paper  
showing the terms on  
which grants of land  
for cotton growing  
are being made in  
the West African Provinces  
Sincerely  
J. Foulkes

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to Commr L.F. office to  
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