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DESPATCH

EAST INDIA CO. LTD.  
No. 33927

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(Subject)

Proposed Magade by  
is Rate for carriage of soda

- Has nothing to add to info cont<sup>d</sup> in desk
- Enclosed memorandum by Mr. Gurre explain<sup>s</sup> as to his quoting a rate of 7/6 per ton for soda.

(Minutes)

~~Mr. Indroos~~  
This matter is of no  
particular importance & should  
may be put by ~~Mr.~~ 26/9

~~Mr.~~ 13/10

to

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COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE  
1885 SEP 35  
Mombasa

EAST AFRICA PROTECTORATE

No. 461

August 22 1885

Sir,

With reference to your despatch No. 248 of June 3rd on the subject of the proposed line from Mtu to Lake Magadi, I have the honour to report that I have nothing to add to the information contained in my despatch No. 528 of June 8th.

2. With regard to the quotation from Mr. Currie's letter to Sir F. O'Callaghan, which the latter communicated to the East Africa Syndicate, I have the honour to transmit to you herewith a copy of a memorandum by Mr. Currie in which he states that his remarks were made in a private letter and that he considered that they would be treated as confidential. The quotation as given appears to be

somewhat

Principal Secretary of State

for the Colonies,

Downing Street,

London, S.W.

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...that misleading ... intended to convey

I ... the ... be,

Sir, -

... most obedient,

humble servant,

J. Stewart

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MEMORANDUM.

As regards Sir F. O'Callaghan's quotation from a letter of mine the exact words I used were as follows:- (dated 28.11.04).

" I have gone very fully into the question of freight  
" for the natron from Kiu to Mombasa on the lines of fixed  
" and variable charges and I can not reduce the charge below  
"  $\frac{1}{2}$ d per ton per mile. Our present up traffic is roughly  
" 1200 tons per mensem and our down about 700 tons per mensem.  
" I could therefore at present carry 500 tons per mensem for  
" less than  $\frac{1}{2}$ d per ton per mile say  $\frac{1}{3}$ d but of course this  
" is a mere bagatelle and moreover I hope shortly to see our  
" down traffic from Uganda increase considerably."

When the natron is run our down traffic will exceed our up and the possibility of carrying anything at  $\frac{1}{3}$ d per ton per mile disappears. I have all along stated that  $\frac{1}{2}$ d per ton mile is the lowest we can quote.

My remarks were made in a private letter written in reply to a private letter. I need scarcely add that as such I considered they were confidential and I am surprised to

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Memorandum

August 1905

SIR F. STEWARD

No. 101

Reference

C.O. Direct, No. 249 of  
June 1904 and No. 101 of 1905.  
No. 324 of Mombasa.

Enclosure 1.

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In File

Referenced enclosure is

of Sir F. Steward.

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find that they have not been treated as such.

(Sd.) H. A. F. Currie.

Manager, U. Ry:

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