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[Despatch Abstract.]

DIRECT OFFICIAL CORRESPONDENCE WITH HIS HIGHNESS THE NIZAM'S OFFICERS.

Intimating to the Resident in Hyderabad that there is no objection to the circular which His Highness the Nizam's Darbar proposes to issue on the subject of direct communication between His Highness's officials and the British authorities in matters which are not important nor of a controversial nature and that on receipt of an English translation the necessary orders will be issued to the Magistrates and Superintendents of Police of the districts bordering His Highness's Dominions.

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From the Resident
Hyderabad

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Subject

Forwarding translation of a draft circular for the approval of Govt, which the Nizam's Govt propose to issue to their Officers on the subject of direct Communication between their Officials & the British Authorities in unimportant matters.

Confdl.

Copy of letter No. 7081 dated the 13th November 1895 from the Acting Chief Secretary to Government of Bombay, Bombay Castle, to the Resident at Hyderabad.

I am directed to advert to the correspondence annexed to Mr. Tucker's letter No. 4644-J, dated the 27th August last, to the address of the First Assistant to the Agent to the Governor General, Rajputana, in respect of the action taken by the Assistant Inspector General, Rajputana - Malwa Railway Police, in addressing a communication to the Awal Talukdar of the Aurangabad District, direct.

2. The Governor in Council, I am to observe, readily recognises that in matters of importance direct communication between the subordinates of two Governments is objectionable and opposed to practice. In this case, however the reference was confined to a simple enquiry as to the characters and antecedents of certain men who had been arrested by the Assistant

Inspector

Inspector General of Police at Ajmere, and who had declared themselves to be residents of a district in His Highness the Nizam's territory.

3. In pursuance of a policy of cordial co-operation on the part of the British and Native State Police to facilitate the detection of crime and the punishment of the offenders, direct communication between the officers of the British Government and of His Highness the Nizam, His Highness the Gaekwar and other Native Chiefs has hitherto been permitted with good results, and in some cases the prohibition of direct correspondence might prejudice the interests of good administration on the part of the British Government and the Native State concerned. Under the circumstances, I am to suggest that His Highness the Nizam's Government might be asked to consider whether it would not be desirable in future to limit the prohibition of direct official intercourse

to matters of importance or of a controversial nature.

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Superintendent,
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Copy.

Translation of draft circular to the City and District officials.

Sic.

As much misapprehension and inconvenience in consequence of there being no express orders as to the matter in which His Highness' officials can hold direct communication with British officials, it has been decided in consultation with the Resident that in matters which are unimportant, or not of a controversial nature, His Highness' officials can address British authorities direct. For instance, if it is intended to ascertain the character and antecedents of certain suspected persons, or if persons accused of committing any extraditable offence in His Highness' territory abscond and take refuge at any place beyond His Highness' Dominions, and it is necessary to arrest them with a view to their being detained in custody pending receipt of a formal application for their surrender, His Highness' officials are

authorized

authorized to communicate direct with British officials in order to ascertain such particulars or to cause such accused persons to be arrested.

References of a similar nature from officials in British India will similarly be attended to by His Highness' District officials, but as soon as the correspondence reaches a stage where it becomes important or any difference of opinion exists, the matter should at once be referred for the orders of Government.

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C. Riya Chetty
Superintendent,
Issue Branch,
Resident's Office.

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FROM

I. Chichele-Plowden Esquire, C.S.I.

RESIDENT AT HYDERABAD,

To

The Chief Secretary to the Government of Madras.

Dated Hyderabad Residency, the 17th March 1896.

SIR,

I have the honor to enclose the translation of a draft circular which His Highness the Nizam's Government propose to issue to their Officers on the subject of direct Communication between the officials of His Highness' Government and the British authorities in unimportant matters.

2. This circular is the outcome of representations made by the Government of Bombay in their letter No. 7081, dated the 13th November 1895, a copy of which is herewith

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herewith forwarded, and I shall be glad to learn for communication to His Highness' Government whether the Government of Madras concur in the principles enunciated therein. A translation of the Circular as finally issued will then be forwarded for your information, with the necessary copies of the Quarterly Civil List of officers of His Highness the Nizam's Government for distribution to the Collectors and Magistrates of frontier districts in the Madras Presidency.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient Servant.

T. Chichele-Plowden

Resident

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The following letter will be despatched to the Resident at Hyderabad.

Letter to № 241 d/4 April 96

The Resident at Hyderabad.

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Sir,

In reply to your letter № 1622 dated 17th instant, I am directed to state that H.E. the Governor in Council has no objection to the circular which H.H. the Nizam's Darbar proposes to issue on the subject of direct communication between H.H's officials and the British authorities in matters which are not important nor of a controversial nature. On receipt of an English translation of the circular as finally issued the necessary instructions will be given to Magistrates and Supts. of Police of the districts bordering on H.H's dominions.

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between Officers of H.M.
& British officers.

H.B.M. Minister (1)
Hon'ble Secy (2)

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