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[Despatch Abstract.]

Communicating to the District-Magistrate, Nilgiris, the Public Works Department, Railway Branch, letter from the Govt. of India regarding the removal of the Chitrali prisoners to Ootacamund; requesting Govt. of India to wire the exact date on which they may be expected to reach the first station in the Presidency and informing the I.G. Police as to the of the police guard that will be required at Brookhampton - the residence of the ~~district~~ prisoners at Ootacamund.

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CURRENT No. ~~3715~~

From F. I. Foreign Dept.

Order

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Dated 17
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Enclosures

Spare copies.

SUBJECT.

Regarding the removal of the Chitrali prisoners to Ootacamund.

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No. 2219 F.

CHIEF SECRETARY
23 AUG 1896
GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS

FROM THE Deputy SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA,

To The Chief Secretary to the Government of Madras

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Dated Simla, the 17th August 1896.

FOREIGN DEPT. SIR,

With reference to the correspondence ending with your telegram dated the 15th August 1896, I am directed to forward a copy of a letter to the Government of the Punjab, regarding the removal of the Chitralis to Cotacamund.

2. It is of great importance that none of the men should escape; and I am to request that, with the permission of His Excellency the Governor, specially selected police guards may

may be told off for the custody of the party while travelling in the Madras Presidency.

3. At Cotacamand the men should be treated as ordinary State Prisoners detained under surveillance according to the warrants issued under Regulation III of 1818. Fresh warrants will not be necessary for the detention of the prisoners at Cotacamand.

4. The monthly charges sanctioned for the party at Dharmsala were as follows.

Rupees 365/ for food
" 140/ house rent
" 40/ menial and conservancy establishment.
" 20/ — Contingencies.
and " 55/ a year for taxes.

Some expenditure has also been incurred on the purchase of clothing and bedding and a Pashtu-speaking attendant on pay

pay of fifteen rupees a month has now been sanctioned to attend the Chitralis. It is desirable that the ordinary expenditure at Ootacamand should, if possible, be kept within the above limits.

5. I am to request that the arrival of the party at Ootacamund may be reported by telegram, and that the total cost of the arrangements made for their housing, maintenance etc, may be communicated in due course.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obdt. Servant

H. Daly.
Deputy Secretary to the
Govt. of India.

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No. 2217 E.

FROM

THE Deputy SECRETARY TO THE
GOVERNMENT OF INDIA,

TO

The Chief Secretary to the
Government of the Punjab.

Dated Simla, the 17th August 1896.

FOREIGN DEPT. } SIR,

With reference to the correspondence end-
-ing with your letter No. 791, dated the 26th June
1896, I am directed to inform you that the Govern-
General in Council has ordered the removal of the
Chitrali prisoners* from
Dharmsala to Cola-
carmund where a
suitable house has
been secured for their accommodation from
the 1st September. The party should arrive
at Colacarmund on or shortly after that

* 1.- Sher Afzal with Danial Beg, Khokhand Beg
and Inayat Shah:-
2.- Five women with two male attendants (Gauhar
Khan and Hajum Khan).-
3.- Amir-ul-mulk with Dilawar Shah and
Afzal Beg, Khan

2. It is understood that the following arrangements will, with the Lieutenant Governor's permission, be made for the safe custody of the prisoners during the journey. Mr. R. S. Bruere of the Punjab Police will accompany the party as far as Agra, whence to Ootacamund the party will be in charge of an European Inspector of the Punjab Railway Police. A suitable escort will take the prisoners from Dharmsala to Pathankot, and in the train the escort will be of double the strength provided for ordinary prisoners, all the male Chitralis (nine being reckoned as prisoners. The party will travel in a through third-class carriage with gratings lashed on the windows. The Police guard will be relieved at convenient intervals en route.

3. The Local Governments and Administrations* concerned have been informed of these arrangements and told that the party will travel by the route described in the

* N.-W. Provinces.
Central Provinces.
Bombay.
Madras.

margin

Bhopal.
Itarsi.
Manmad.
Dhond.
Guntakal.
Arkonam.
Coonoor.-

margin from Agra onwards. The local authorities will be requested to arrange for the relief of the guard, and they should receive timely notice from the officer in charge of the arrival of the party within their respective jurisdictions, and also of any change in the proposed route, should this be found necessary.

4. It is desirable that a Pashtu speaking attendant should accompany the prisoners to Ootacamund and remain with them until further orders. I am to request that a suitable man may, if possible, be engaged on a salary of not exceeding Rs. 15/- a month.-

5. The Government of Madras should be furnished direct with a statement, for the information of the local authorities at Ootacamund, of the food which has hitherto been supplied to the Chitralis, and with a general explanation of the manner in which

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this messing has been arranged.

6. I am to request that the im-
portance of preventing the escape of any of
the prisoners may be impressed on the
officers in charge of the party. Warrants
under the provisions of Regulation III of
1818 have been issued for the custody of
Sher Afzal Khan, Amir-ul-Mulk,
Khokhand Beg, Daniel Beg and Inayat
Shah, and similar warrants for the detention
of the remaining male prisoners are now
enclosed. These warrants should be entrusted
to the Police officer in charge of the party for even-
tual delivery to the officer who receives charge of
the prisoners in Madras. In view of the fact
that the transfer of the prisoners has been ordered
by the Governor General in Council no fresh
warrants for their detention will be required.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,
(sd) H Daly
Deputy Secretary to the Govt of India

* Gauhar Khan.
Hajim Khan.
Dilawar Shah.
Afiat Beg Khan

(True Copy.)
F E D'Silva
Supdt. Foreign Dept

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No. O-48.

DEPARTMENT.

CURRENT No. 2717 72

No. 8/C

~~CHIEF~~ OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR-GENERAL OF POLICE,
~~MADRAS~~, Salur, Tuticorin &c. 22nd August 1896.

FROM

M. HAMMICK, ESQ., I.C.S.,

INSPECTOR-GENERAL OF POLICE,

Madras,

TO

THE Chief Secretary
to Government.
Volacamund.

SIR,

Enclosures. One
No 107, of 14-8-96. I have the honor with reference to G.O., No 1193, Judicial, dated 18th July 1896, to submit a report from the Assistant Superintendent of Police, Volacamund, regarding the guard for the Chitrali prisoners who will be quartered at Volacamund

2. I request to be informed as to what amount of liberty Chitrali prisoners are to be allowed. Are they, for instance, to be allowed to walk about the hills without a guard in attendance? Is the guard to be responsible that the chiefs are all in the house every evening?

I have the honor to be,
Sir
Your most obedt. Servt.

M Hammick

Inspector General of Police

CURRENT No. ~~3717~~ 1135

Jud. (1896) DEPARTMENT.

Political

FROM

M. HAMMICK, Esq., I.C.S.,

INSPECTOR GENERAL OF POLICE,

Madras,

To

THE Chief Secretary
to Government
Ootacamund.

No. 8/C.

Dated

Received 24 AUG. 1896 1896.

CHIEF SECRETARY GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS

Encl. 1

SUBJECT.

Submitting a report from the Asst: Superintendent of Police, Ootacamund, regarding the guard for the Chitral prisoners to be quartered at Ootacamund.

Encls: to Letter No 8/C 22.8.96 from the Insp. of Police

No 104

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Office of the Asst. Supt. of Police
Nilgiri District
Camp Coonoor 14th August 189

From

C.C. Longden Esq.
Asst. Superintendent of Police,
Nilgiri District.

To

The Superintendent of Police,
Coimbatore

Sir,

I have the honor to return herewith Current No 1394 Genl. of 1896 and to propose (a) that the guard should consist of one Head Constable one 1st class Constable and three 2nd class Constables, of whom two are always to be present, one being either the Head Constable or the 1st class Constable the whole guard to remain in the guard room at night;

(b) that a report should be made daily to the Inspector that all is well, this should be mentioned by the Inspector in his diary, Part V;

(c) that the guard should be visited daily by

by either Inspector, Station House Officer or European Head Constable, mention being made in the Inspector's diary daily of what officer visited the guard.

2. Descriptions of the party will be sent to Ootacamund, Coonoor, Wellington, Mettupalaiyam, Kottagiri, Sykara, Naduvattam and Gudalur, Kachati and Masinigudi.

3. I request instructions as to (1) the amount of surveillance to be imposed on the chief, (2) whether side arms will be sufficient for the guard.

I have &c.,

(Sd.) C.C. Longden
Asst. Superintendent
of Police.

Cell 82
1135
3/17

True copy forwarded to the Asst. Inspector General of Police, Madras, with reference to Reference on C. No. 436/Genl. of 1896.

(Sd) A. Subba Rao
Ad. Quarter Insp.
For Superintendent of Police
on Circuit

District Police office
Coimbatore, 14-8-96.

(True copy)
Asst. Superintendent of Police

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Heading
Notes connected
with G.O. No. 568 Pol
dd 25-8-96

Hon.
A.H.H.
25.8.96

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Political Dept.

C.Nos. 1134, 1135 & 1136

FOR ORDERS

The first of the above currents contains the letter from the G. of I. regarding the Chitralis, which gives cover to copy of one [redacted] to the Govt. of [redacted] the Punjab regarding their removal to Ootacamund. In para. 2, the G. of I. requests that specially selected Police guards may be told off for the custody of the party while travelling in this Presy. [redacted] It is proposed to communicate the route to the I.G. of Police by wire and instruct him to make the necessary arrangements for the guards in this Presy. The G. of I. will doubtless wire the exact date upon which the party leaves, but perhaps it would be safer to remind them about this. The present letter from the G. of I. will also be communicated to the Collector of the Nilgiris and to the P.W.D., Ry. Branch.

C.No. 1135 is the reply of the I.G. of Police to para 3 of G.O.No. 1193 Judl., d/ 18-7-96, flagged A B X C. The I.G. [redacted] forwards a report from the Asst. Supt. of Police at Ootacamund in which the latter suggests that the guard for the Chitralis should consist of one head constable, one first class constable and three second class constables of whom

two

two are always to be present, the whole guard to remain in the guard room at night. Mr. Hamilick also requests to be informed as to what amount of liberty ~~is~~ are to be allowed ~~to~~ the Chitralis. As regards the first of these points the strength of the guard attention is solicited to the papers flagged A, B & C in G.O.No.1194 July of 1896. The G. of I. in its telegram of the 15th July stated that no special guard was required unless this Govt. considered one necessary to prevent escape. In the note in the Judl. dept. flagged B, it was suggested that a small guard of one head constable and of one or two constables would suffice and this was accepted by Hon'ble Members and H.E. the Governor in the notes flagged C. The guard proposed in the Asst. Supt.'s letter seems to be more than what is necessary and it will probably be difficult to find accommodation for it at Brookhampton.

I think this will suffice.
A.S.H

As regards the second point that of surveillance to be imposed on the Chitralis attention is solicited to para 3 of India's letter in C.No. 1134, where it is stated that the men should be treated as ordinary state prisoners detained under state surveillance. It is not known how far state prisoners are allowed to roam about, and the I.G. himself should be the best authority on this point; but perhaps it would settle matters most satisfactorily if the Govt. of India were asked about this by wire.

C.

I think the T.G. might be told that the Chitralis should not be allowed to leave Ootacamund. They should Police and other officers under state surveillance in Ceylon. They were not allowed to leave the town or station in which they were without the consent of the T.G. Police. Otherwise are entirely left to their movements. A.S.H 25.8.96

Sir A. Lyall C of Tokio

Ker. A.S.H 25.8.96

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C.No. 1136 is a letter from Mr. E. Clarke of Ootacamund in which he repeats his offer of letting Bishopsdown for the Chitralis. He may, it is submitted, be informed that the Govt. has made other arrangements.

C.B. 24.8.96

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Note for CS

With the file went to Mr. last night without CS's initials and Mr. explains that this was due to the fact that it came to his table with a closed D.O. to the P.S. on the

CS
25/8
I write now.

Memo

After despatch shall a book file in "Chitral" summary page & posting telegrams D.O. to

CS
25/8

Political Dept.

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C.Nos. 1154 & 1155

He did not write now
All right

ORDER No. 568, dt 25 August 1896.

Dep 25/8

The following telegram will be despatched to the I.G. of Police:--

506" Chitralis start about 25th travelling via Bhopal, Itarsi, Manmad, Dhond, Guntakal, Arkonam, Coonoor to Ootacamund. Specially selected Police guards required for custody of party while travelling in Madras Presy. Make necessary arrangements.

2. The letter from the Govt. of India, No.2819 F., d/ 17-8-96, will be communicated to the Collector of the Nilgiris and to the P.W.D. Ry. Branch for information.

Dep 25/8

3. The following telegram will be despatched to the Govt. of India, Foreign dept.

507 "Adverting ~~With reference~~ correspondence ending your 2819 F., d/ 17th instant, please wire exact date upon which Chitralis leave and when they may be expected to reach first station in Madras Presy."

4. With reference to the letter from the I.G. of Police No. 8/C, d/ 22nd instant, that officer will be informed that a police guard of one head constable and one or two constables will suffice for Brookhampton. As regards the surveillance ~~over them~~ to be imposed upon the Chitralis the attention of the

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L.G. will be drawn to para 3 of the above letter from the Govt. of India. They ~~withdraw~~ should not in any case be allowed to ~~remain~~ leave Ootacamund.

(from orders)

25/8/96

CS.
25.8.96

To

The L.G. of Police (1134 + enclos: 1135. Q)
" Collector of the Nilgiris (Dated)
" P.W.D. Rly. Branch (Dated)

Desp'd 26/8

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READ AGAIN G.O., No. 189, DATED

CURRENT No.

ENCLOSURES TO C. No

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