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APRIL.

Body Guard for His Excellency the Governor at the Hills.

Ordering that a telegram and letter be despatched to the Government of India relative to a detachment of —.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC DEPARTMENT.

READ—the following paper:—

From Major F. W. ROMILLY, D.S.O., Military Secretary to His Excellency the Governor, to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated Guindy, 18th March 1897, No. 97.

His Excellency the Governor intends taking with him to Ootacamund this season a small detachment of the Body Guard.

2. Certain additional expenditure will be involved under the following heads, viz., transport, clothing, batta and forage, the proposed details of which are given in attached table.

3. As all charges connected with the maintenance of the Body Guard are met from Imperial Military funds, it would appear that (as also indicated in Government of India, Military Department, letter, No. 411-B., dated 10th February 1897, to the Chief Secretary to the Government of Punjab,) these should be similarly met, I have the honour to request that the very early sanction of the Government of India be obtained to this additional expenditure being met from Military estimates.

ORDER—No. 378, Public, dated 5th April 1897.

Ordered that the following telegram and letter be despatched:—

“231. Governor desires take ten men and horses His Excellency's Body Guard to Ootacamund this season. Estimated extra expenditure six months, Rs. 1,717. Sanction of expenditure by wire solicited. Details by post.”

(True Extract.)

J. F. PRICE,
Chief Secretary.

LETTER—No. 379, Public, dated 5th April 1897, to the Secretary to the Government of India, Military Department.

In continuation of my telegram, No. 231, dated the 1st instant, I am directed to forward an estimate prepared by the Military Secretary to His Excellency the Governor of the additional expenditure involved by the move to Ootacamund for six months this year of ten men and horses of His Excellency's Body Guard.

2. A minute of dissent by the Hon'ble Mr. Bliss is forwarded herewith.

J. F. PRICE,
Chief Secretary.

APPENDIX.

MINUTE.

I regret I cannot approve of the proposal to take a part of the Body Guard to Ootacamund. The general rule has been, and I think rightly, that the visits of the Government to the Hills should be as free as possible from formality. It was on this ground that it was settled two or three years ago that Native Chiefs should not receive official receptions at Ootacamund. Except for formality's sake, I do not see that the Body Guard can be required at Ootacamund. The Viceroy never used to take any part of his Body Guard to Simla; and, so far as I am aware, he does not now do so. Besides this, there is the expense. The estimate seems to me hardly sufficient. But, whatever the amount, the expenditure being, in my opinion, unnecessary, I cannot join in requesting the Government of India to sanction it.

29th March 1897.

(Signed) H. W. BLISS.

Public (1897) Department.

CURRENT No.



From Major F. R. Romilly, D.S.O.
Military Secretary
to the Governor

Order



No. 97

Dated 18th March 1897

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SUBJECT.

Intending that the Governor
intends taking with him a small
detachment of Body Guard to the Hills
and requesting that the sanction
of the Government of India may be
obtained to the extra expenditure
that will be incurred thereby

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FURTHER PAPERS.

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Government House,

Guindy, 18th March 1897

No. 97.

From

Major F.W. Romilly, D.S.O.

Military Secretary to H.E. the Governor.

To

The Chief Secretary to Government,

Fort Saint George.

Sir,

His Excellency the Governor intends taking with him to Ootacamund this Season a small detachment of the Body Guard.

Certain additional expenditure will be involved under the following heads, viz, Transport, Clothing, Batta and Forage, the proposed details of which are given in attached Table.

As all charges connected with the maintenance of the Body Guard are met from Imperial Military Funds, it would appear that (as also indicated in Government of India, Military Department letter No. 411.B. dated 10th February 1897 to the Chief Secretary to the Government of Punjab) these should be similarly met, I have the honour to request that the very early sanction of the Government of India be obtained to this additional expenditure being met from Military Estimates.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

F. W. Romilly Major,

Military Secretary. 107

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C. No.

H. F. THE GOVERNOR

SUBJECT.

~~THE HONBLE MR. BLISS, C.I.E.~~

~~THE HONBLE MR. GROSE, C.I.E.~~

FOR ORDERS.

Seen -

The Honble Grose seems to have overlooked the fact that the expenditure of public money is involved. I have turned my note into a minute

As

29/3/97

Resubmitted to the Honble Mr Grose with reference to the note of the Honble Mr Bliss

As

29/3/97

Seen

As

30/3/97

The Director has been informed by a late R. D. C. of the late Viceroy that the Viceroy takes 10 or 12 men of the Body Guard to Simla. The Bombay body guard goes to Poona. The Gaikwar has been allowed to bring 10 Sowars with him to Dohy.

Resubmitted to the Honble Mr Bliss the minority.

As

26/3/97.

Resubmitted to the Honble Mr Grose with reference to the minute of dissenting the Honble Mr Bliss dated 29.3.97

As

30/3/97

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R 29/3/97

It is impossible to dispense with formality at
Duty. The whole machinery of Govt. is there,
the Army Head-quarters are permanently located
there. It becomes for the time being the Seat
of Government & the Presidency. This the
Queen's Birth-day is celebrated there. This year
the Queen's Reign of 60 years will be commemo-
rated there. The necessity for formality
has been recently ~~more~~ further recognized
by an Order requiring Military Officers to
wear uniform when present at parties at
Govt. House.

I understand that the Hon. Mr. Groom
thinks that this is a matter which should
be decided according to the Governor's wishes.
The telegram & letter will accordingly be
framed.

A. 94 31.3.97

NOTE FOR THE CHIEF SECRETARY.

The minute
of dissent has been
signed by the Honble
Mr. Blair -

Your D.O. of the
 Private Secy was
 despatched yester
 day. This must
 answer the reply.

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PORT OF GEORGE

April 1st 1917

My Dear Bliss

I enclose herewith
for signature a type written
copy of your minute of the
re the Body Guard

Yours sincerely
Richard White

My dear Price.

His Excellency
approves of your addition.

I remain

H. S. Lin

to
5/5/97.

Apr 2. 97

Office

Please add para as per my
note to the D.S. for the
letter & send for signature.

to

5/5/97.



April 12th 1907

My dear Sir

Bliss desires that
his minute of dissent ^{to Mr. Smith} shall be
forwarded to the Govt of India
with our letter. He is within
his rights. I have not taken
any exception.

The Dept of the letter passed
by Mr. The Govt will have
to be altered by the addition

minute of descent by the trouble
Lt Blinn is forwarded herewith

Please let me know if I-E

appears this.

The telegram has come.

Yours sincerely
Fredrick Schick

C. No 1128.

1. H. E. THE GOVERNOR.
2. THE HON'BLE MR. BLISS, C.I.E.
3. THE HON'BLE MR. GROSE, C.I.E.

SUBJECT.

Detachment Bodyguard
to accompany the Gov.
to the Hills. Definite 1/4

Order No 378 of 5-4-97 FOR ORDERS. whether the following telegram may be despatched to the Govt of India. Military Dept 23/4. Governor desires take ten men and horses His Excellent Body Guard to Kotaca-mund this season. Estimated Extra expenditure six months 1717 rupees. Sanction by wire solicited - Details by post.

The telegram & letter should be sent, as amended.

25/3/97

Minute

Regret I cannot approve of the proposal to take a part of the Bodyguard to Kotaca-mund. The general rule has been, and I think rightly, that the visits of the Govt to the Hills should be as far as possible from formality. It was on this ground that it was settled 20 years ago that British chiefs should not receive formal official receptions at Kotaca-mund. But for formalities, I doubt that the Bodyguard could be required at Kotaca-mund. The King's personal guard to take any part of the Bodyguard to Simla; and, so far as I am aware, he does not now do so. Besides this, there is the expense. Estimated sums & expenditure sufficient to defray the cost, the expenditure being in my opinion unnecessary, I cannot join in requesting the Govt of India to sanction it. 29/1/97 H. W. B. [Signature]

I think this is a matter which should be decided according to H.E.'s wishes.

No 379. and
to the S. to the G. of I.
Military Dept
Sir,

In contr: of my telegram No 231 dated the 1st instant, I am
26/3/97.

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an estimate prepared
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to the Governor of
additional expenditure
involved by the
move to Cotacacumb
for six months this
year of ten men and
horses of his Excellency's Body
guard.

23/3/97.

The charges for 144 the Ex^{ty} Body

guard are supplemental

23/3/97

Minute of dissent by
the Honble Mr Bliss is for-
warded herewith

First copy sent to Press. 5/2/97

Returned ~~to~~ signature.

Despatched in print.

READ AGAIN G.O., No.
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DATED

CURRENT No.

ENCLOSURES TO C. No.

ORDER OF GOVERNMENT

LETTER OF GOVERNMENT.

STATEMENT WITH DITTO.

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