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## CHANGE OF ADDRESS

our new address as from  
December, 1958:  
Standard House, 3584  
Collingwood Road,  
OBSERVATORY, Cape.  
Telephone: 1280, Cape Town.  
35, Observatory, Cape.  
Telephone numbers remain unchanged.

Prof. Z.K. Matthews,  
P.O. Fort Hare,  
ALICE.

5th November, 1959.

Dear Professor,

I am pleased to be able to tell you that after lengthy negotiations, we have been able to establish a Branch of our Company in Nairobi, through the appointment of one of the most reputable firms of insurance agents there, namely, John Holman & Sons (Insurance) Limited, and our Company has now been officially registered as an Insurance Company, entitled to operate in East Africa.

The arrangement is an eminently suitable one for us, for we bear no expenses for the procurement of the business, save a contribution towards advertising costs, as our Agents receive only a commission on business introduced and pay all the expenses themselves.

We shall commence writing business in Nairobi as from the 1st January, 1960, and whilst we, naturally, have no guarantee as to the volume of business we will receive, we are hopeful that the venture will prove successful.

We have concluded satisfactory reinsurance arrangements for the business to be written in this territory.

One of the matters which we have to consider, is the appointment of a Local Board in East Africa, and our view is that it would, naturally, assist tremendously if persons in whom confidence can safely be placed, are appointed. Our Agents in Nairobi have put forward the following names, (with descriptions), for our consideration:-

- (1) Sir Ernest Vasey, who was Minister of Finance in Kenya.
- (2) Mr. Peter Colmore, who is very well-known in the territory. He speaks every known dialect and is retained by about twenty of the leading Mercantile Firms to advise on the best methods of promoting any given product.
- (3) Mr. Julius Nyerere, who is the head of the Tanganyika African National Union and Leader of the opposition in Legislative Council.

(4) Mr./....

DIRECTORS: SENATOR DR. THE HON. L. I. RUBIN (CHAIRMAN), M. B. KOSSEW (DEPUTY CHAIRMAN & MANAGING DIRECTOR),  
MRS. V. M. L. BALLINGER M.P., PROF. Z. K. MATTHEWS, DR. J. S. MOROKA, DR. A. B. XUMA,  
ALTERNATE DIRECTORS: A. J. LUTULI, J. W. MAC-QUARRIE, DR. M. S. MOLEMA, DR. W. F. NKOMO

Prof. Z.K. Matthews.

5th November, 1959.

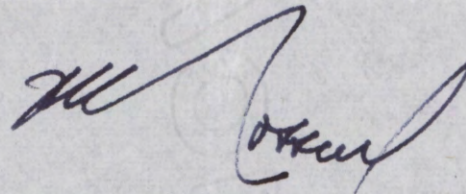
- (4) Mr. Paul Bomani, Member of Legislative Council (TANU), and General Manager of the Lake Victoria Federation of Co-operative Unions. He is the strong man of the Cotton growing area of the Lake Province.
- (5) Mr. Jeremiah Nyagah, a graduate of Cambridge, schoolmaster, Commissioner of Boy Scouts and Member of Legislative Council (Kenya) for Embu.

Of course, we do not at this stage know whether these people would be prepared to accept appointment, but before taking any final step, should like to have your views as to the above, and also particularly whether you would like to suggest other persons whom you feel would be suitable for such appointment.

Our idea at this stage is to have four members on the Local Board, two of whom should be Europeans, and two being Africans.

I should be pleased to hear from you at your earliest convenience.

Yours sincerely,



M.B. KOSSEW.