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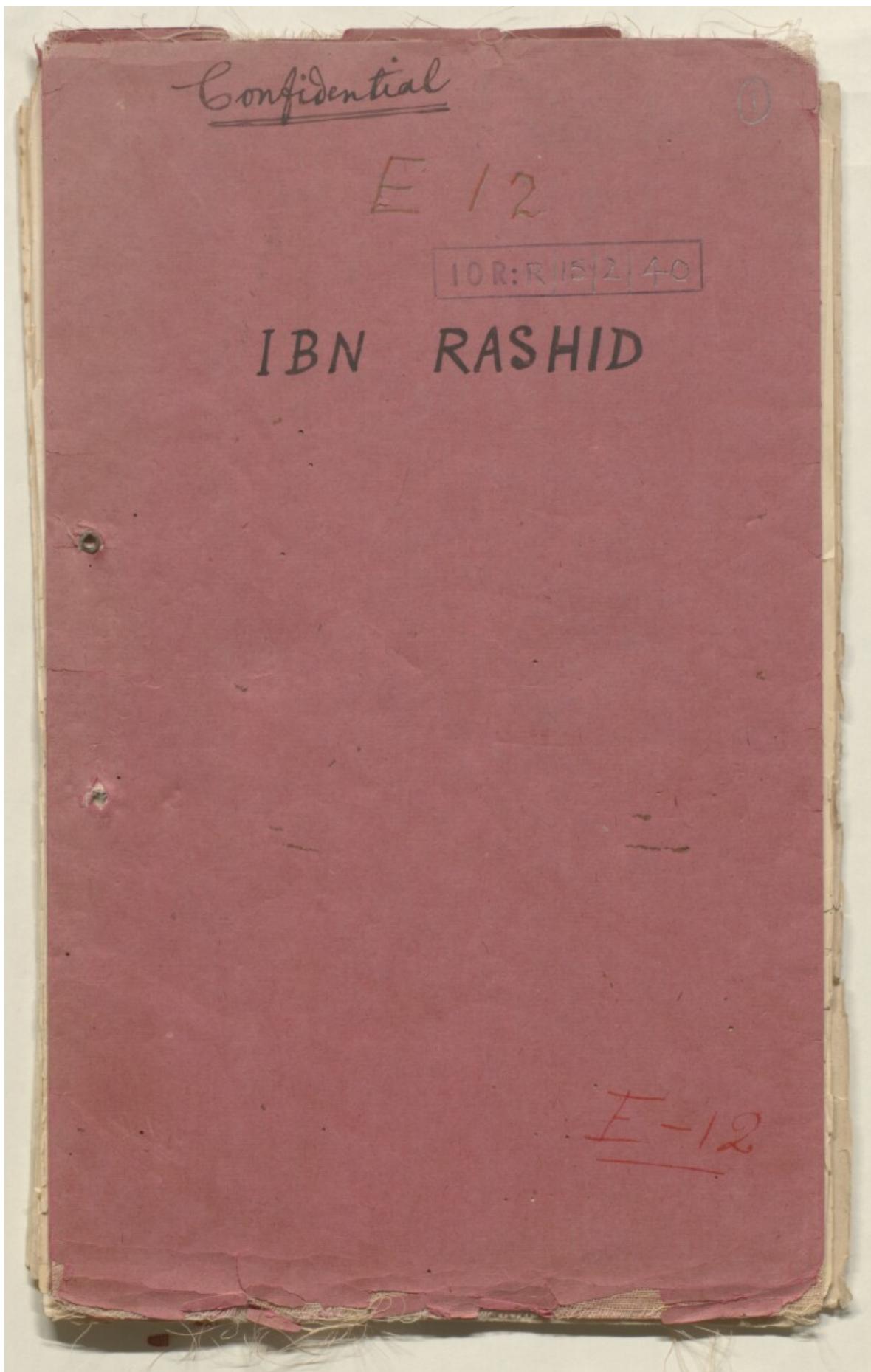
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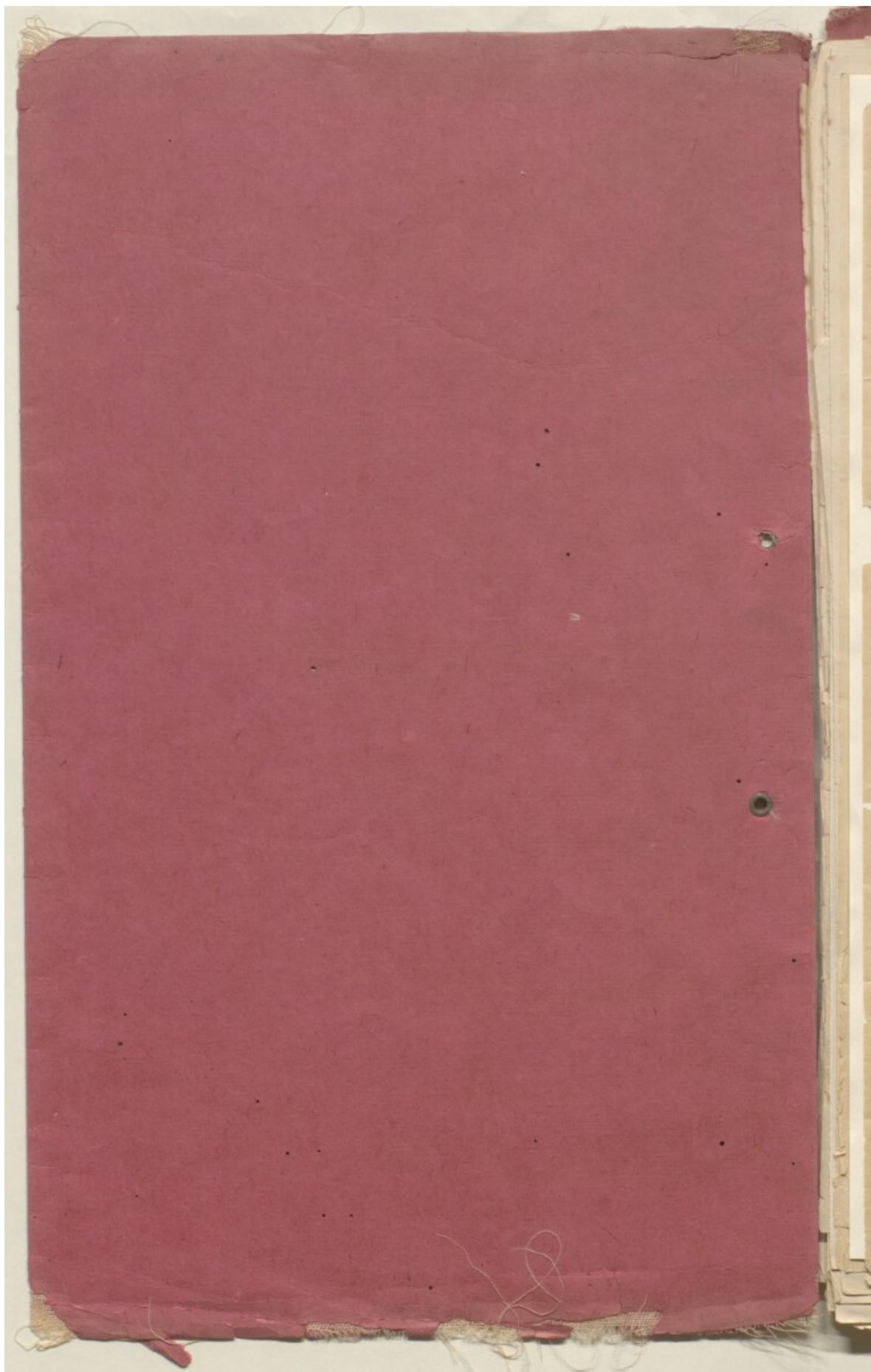
About this record

This file contains correspondence between the British Political Agent at Bahrain, British Political Resident in the Persian Gulf at Bushire, the British Civil Commissioner at Baghdad, as well as officials in the Government of India and 'Abd al-'Azīz bin 'Abd al-Rahmān bin Faysal Āl Sa'ūd (Ibn Sa'ūd).

The correspondence concern British involvement in Central Arabia and relations between Ibn Sa'ūd and the Āl Rashīd family of Hā'il. Covered within the correspondence are details about the assassination of Sa'ūd bin 'Abd al-'Azīz Āl Rashīd at the hands of his cousin and the subsequent succession of 'Abdullāh bin Mit'ab Āl Rashīd, the son of the seventh Amīr of Hā'il, Mit'ab bin 'Abd al-'Azīz Āl Rashīd.

The file also contains a genealogical 'Table of the Ruling Al Rashid (Shammar) Family of Jabal Shammar' (folio 28) and details of the 1920 deputation from Hā'il to Riyadh to arrange a treaty with Ibn Sa'ūd (folio 20).







No. 916. Regd. 10.4.20.

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No. 7382
9/5.

Office of the Civil Commissioner,
Baghdad, the 1st March, 1920.

To

The Under Secretary of State for India, London, S.W.1
(in confirmation.)

The Secretary to the Government of India
in the Foreign and Political Department, Delhi.

Memorandum.

A copy of the undernoted correspondence is
forwarded with compliments for information, reference my
37467, December, 16th.

N. B. Read
Circular
by

Lieut. Col., I.M.S.

Ag. Civil Commissioner in Mesopotamia.

Copy to:-

G.G.C., G.H.Q.

P. O. Basrah.

P. A. Bahrain. ✓

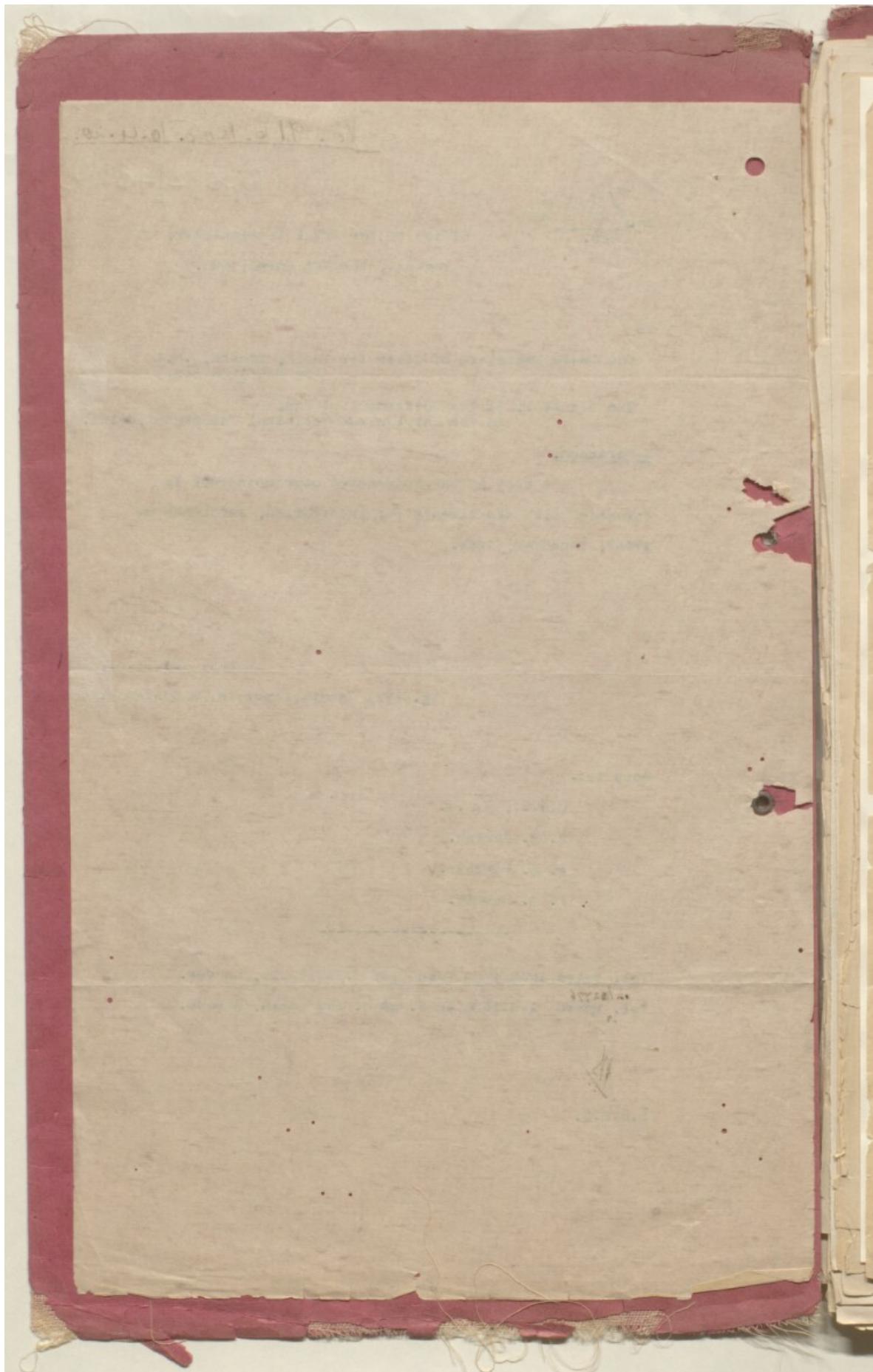
P. A. Kuwait.

Tel. dated 19-2-1920 from S. of S. for India, London.

File No. 776
Tel. dated 1-3-1920 to S. of S. for India, London.

B.B.D.S.

Bin Rashid





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Telegram.P.

From S.of S.for India, London.

To C. C. Baghdad

No. nil.

Dated 19th and recd. 24-2-1920.

Your telegram dated 15-12-19 No.15123. I approve additions to list of autonomous rulers. If Bin Rashid should enquire as to policy of H.M. Government with regard to Anazah reply should be that matter is under consideration. Tribe should not be mentioned unless he enquires.

S. of S. for India, London.

Telegram.R.

From C.C.Baghdad

To S.of S.for India, London, repeated Cairo,

No.2776

Dated 1st March, 1920.

My telegram of 15th December 15123. Bin Rashid has emerged completely successful from recent contest with Nuri Shalan, latter was assisted by Howaitat which were also routed.

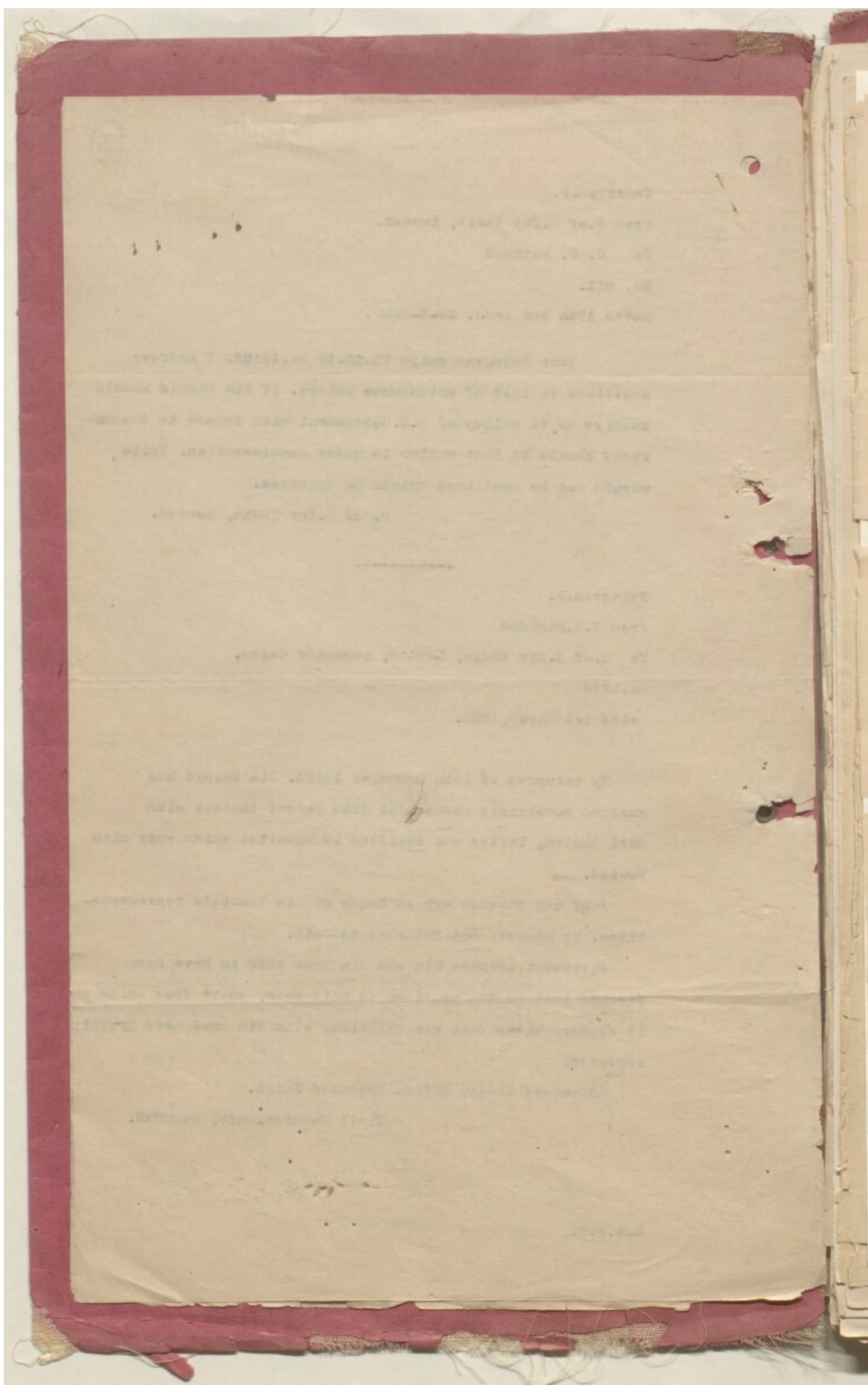
Jauf and Sakakak are in hands of Bin Rashid's representatives. He himself has returned to Hail.

Agreement between him and Bin Saud said to have been reached last summer promises to hold good, apart from which it appears clear that his relations with Bin Saud have greatly improved.

Addressed India, Office repeated Cairo.

Civil Commissioner, Baghdad.

B.B.D.S.





No. 102 Rec. 10.4.20.

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No. 9000
9/5.

Office of the Civil Commissioner,

Baghdad, the 12th March 1920.

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To,

D. P. R. Bushire.

P. A., Bahrain. ✓

P. A., Koweit.

P. O., Ramadi.

Memorandum.

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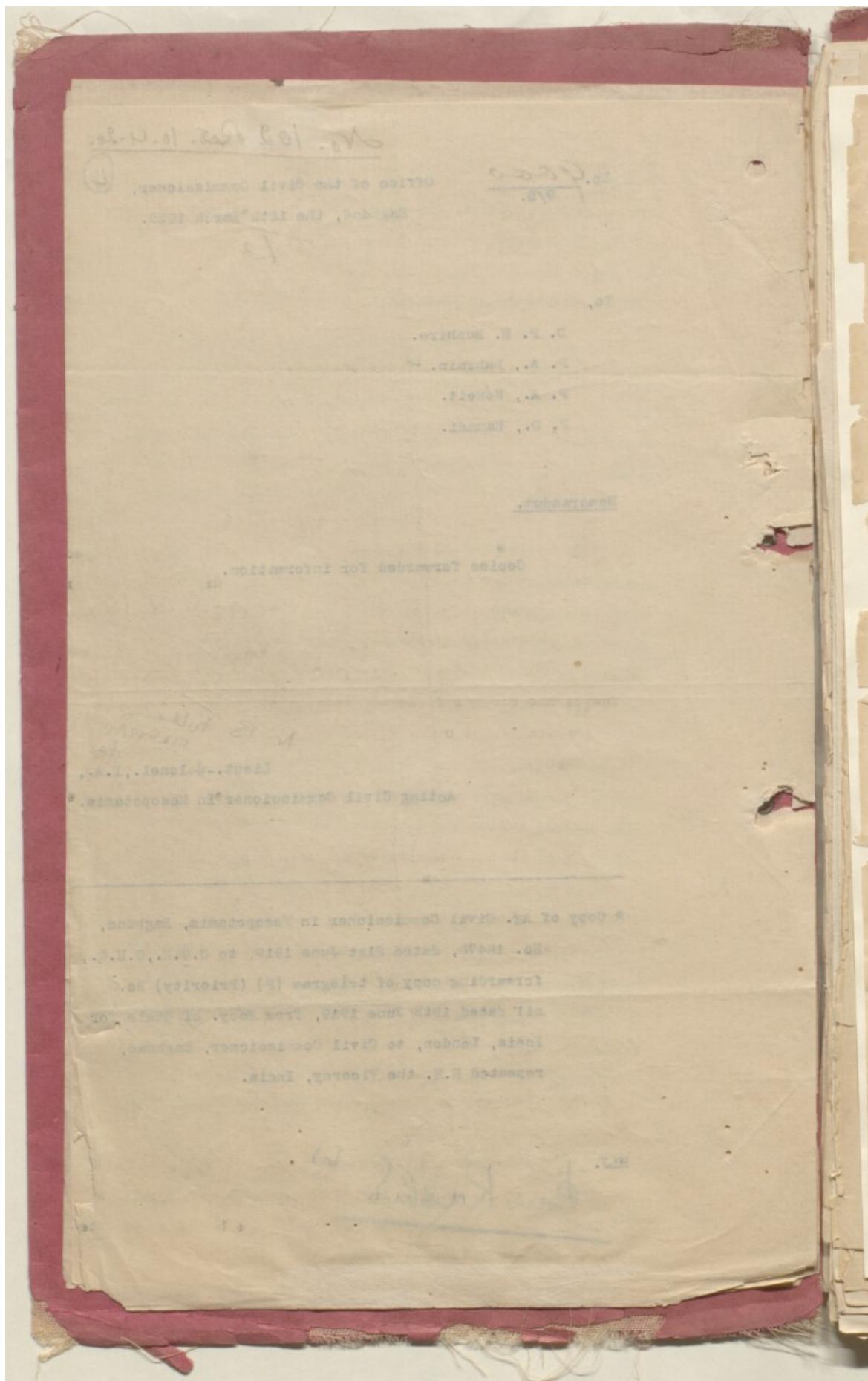
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for
Lieut.-Colonel., I.A.,

Acting Civil Commissioner in Mesopotamia.

* Copy of Ag. Civil Commissioner in Mesopotamia, Baghdad,
No. 18478, dated 21st June 1919, to C.G.S., G.H.Q.,
forwarding copy of telegram (P) (Priority) No.
nil dated 19th June 1919, from Secy. of State for
India, London, to Civil Commissioner, Baghdad,
repeated H.M. the Viceroy, India.

MLJ.

Bin Rashid W.





Telegram (P) PRIORITY. Recd. 19.05.
 From Secy. of State for India, London.
 To Civil Commissioner, Baghdad,
 repeated H.E. the Viceroy, India.
 Dated 19th and recd. 20th June 1919.

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Please refer to correspondence ending with your telegram No. 6414 dated 8th instant.

The whole question has been under the careful consideration of H.M's Government.

It is, speaking generally, our policy to avoid getting entangled in the Politics of Central Arabia and to reduce to a minimum our commitments there and elsewhere. To the policy of setting up one Chief against another (as suggested in telegram No. 937 dated 7th instant from High Commissioner Cairo) and attempting to establish a balance of power among Chiefs in Central Arabia, we should be altogether opposed.

We must, however, judge particular cases on their merits and for the following reasons we think it would be impracticable for us to be disinterested in the affairs of BIN RASHID.

(1) The influence BIN RASHID exercises extends up to limits of Iraq.

(2) The pilgrim route to Holy Places from Iraq is controlled by him.

For above reasons we accept in principle proposition,

(1) That it is desirable, in order to make BIN RASHID respect our borders and keep open the route for pilgrims, to enter into relations with him to the extent of subsidizing him.

(2) Our relations with him should be conducted not through the High Commissioner, Cairo, but through Civil Commissioner Baghdad.

Maximum of subsidy mentioned in your telegram No. 5552 of 17th May 1919 seems altogether excessive and should be fixed on peace scale. At a meeting of the Eastern Committee the sum of £500/- was mentioned.

Before





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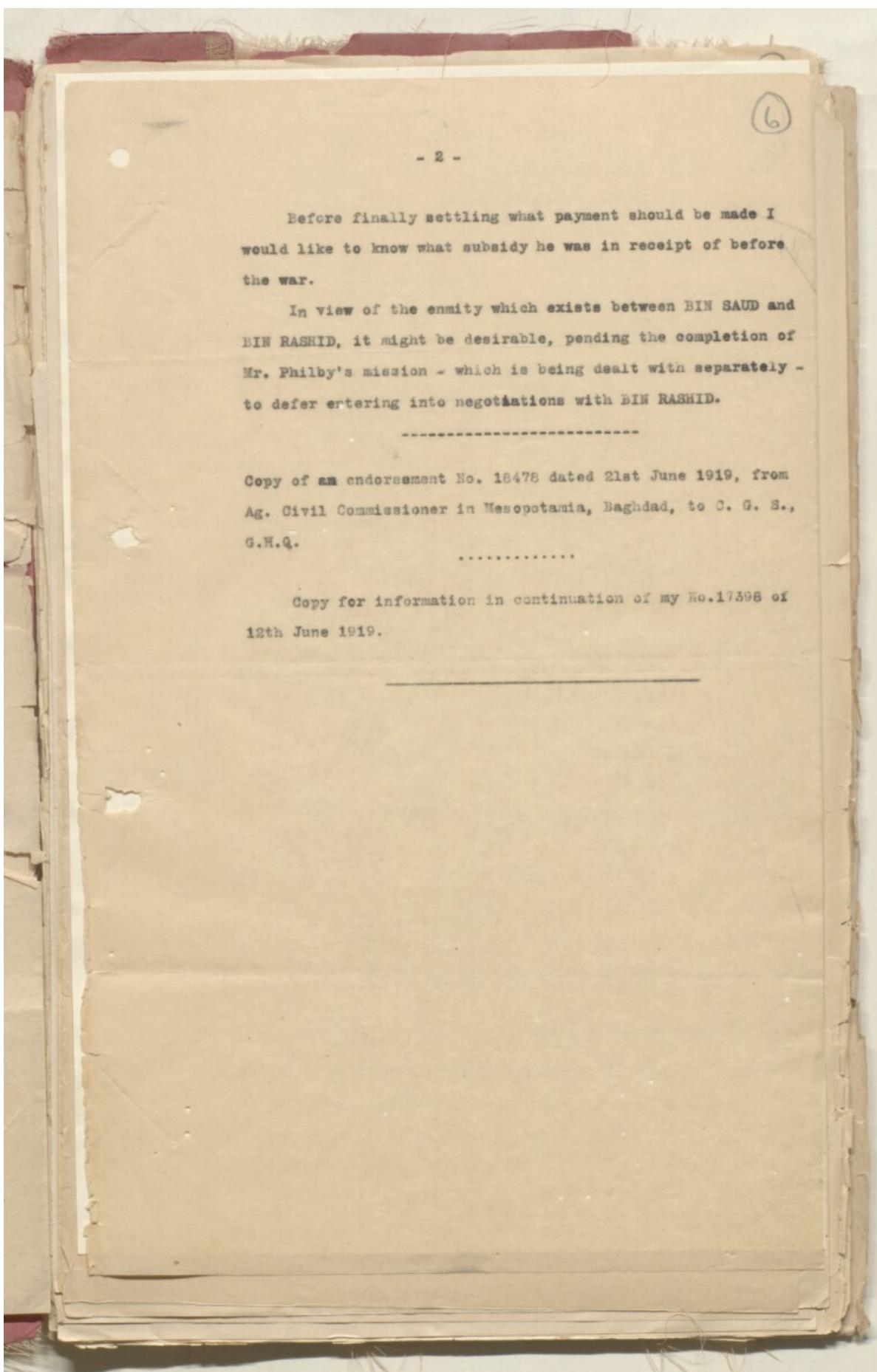
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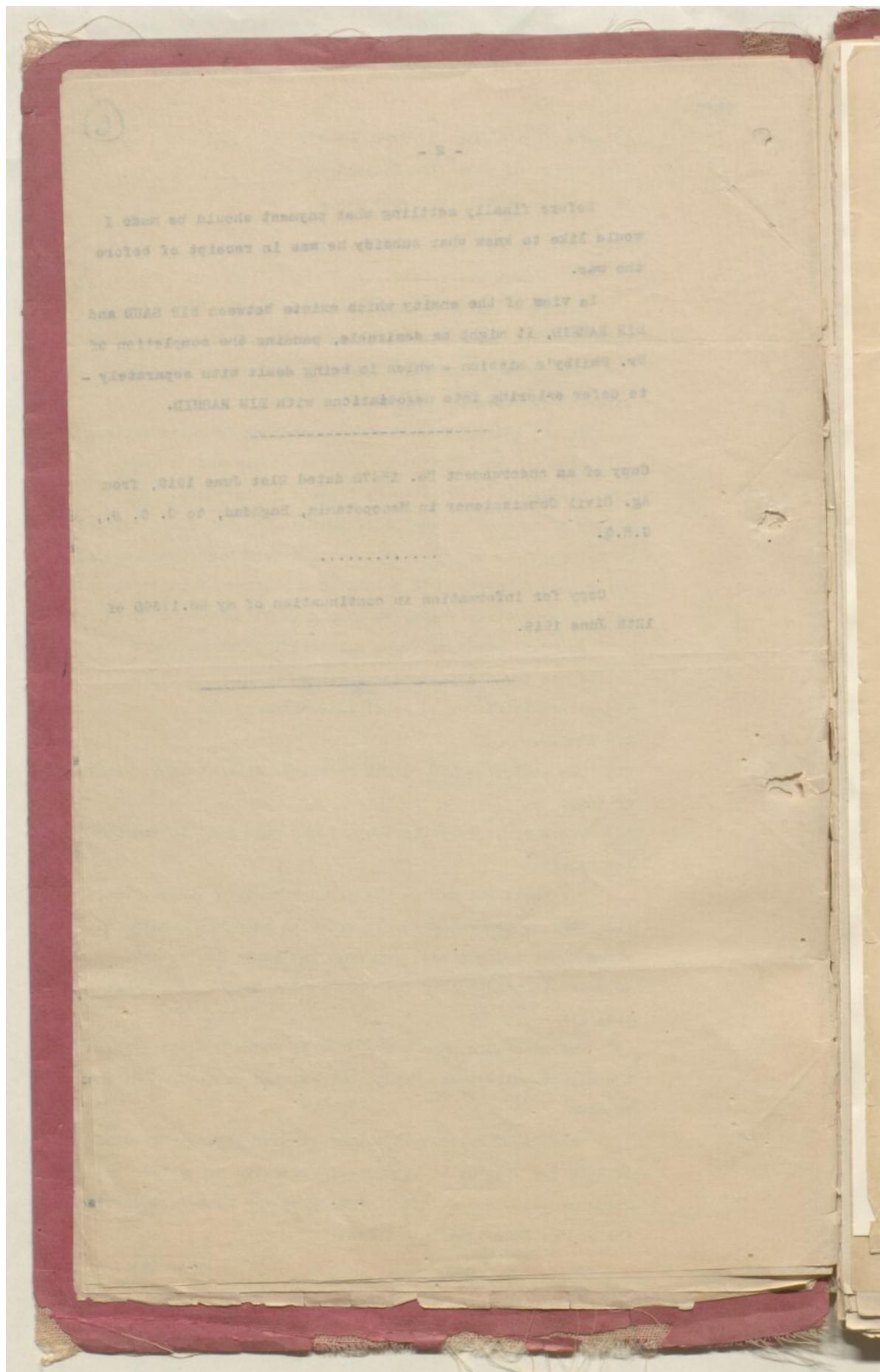
Before finally settling what payment should be made I would like to know what subsidy he was in receipt of before the war.

In view of the enmity which exists between BIN SAUD and BIN RASHID, it might be desirable, pending the completion of Mr. Philby's mission - which is being dealt with separately - to defer entering into negotiations with BIN RASHID.

Copy of an endorsement No. 18478 dated 21st June 1919, from Ag. Civil Commissioner in Mesopotamia, Baghdad, to C. G. S., G.H.Q.
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Copy for information in continuation of my No. 17398 of 12th June 1919.







No. 103 Recd. 11.4.20
⑦

No. 9083
9/5.

Office of the Civil Commissioner,

Baghdad, the 13th March 1920.

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To,

The Under Secretary of State for India,
London, S.W.1. (in confirmation).

The Secretary to the Government of India
in the Foreign and Political Department,
Simla.

Memorandum.

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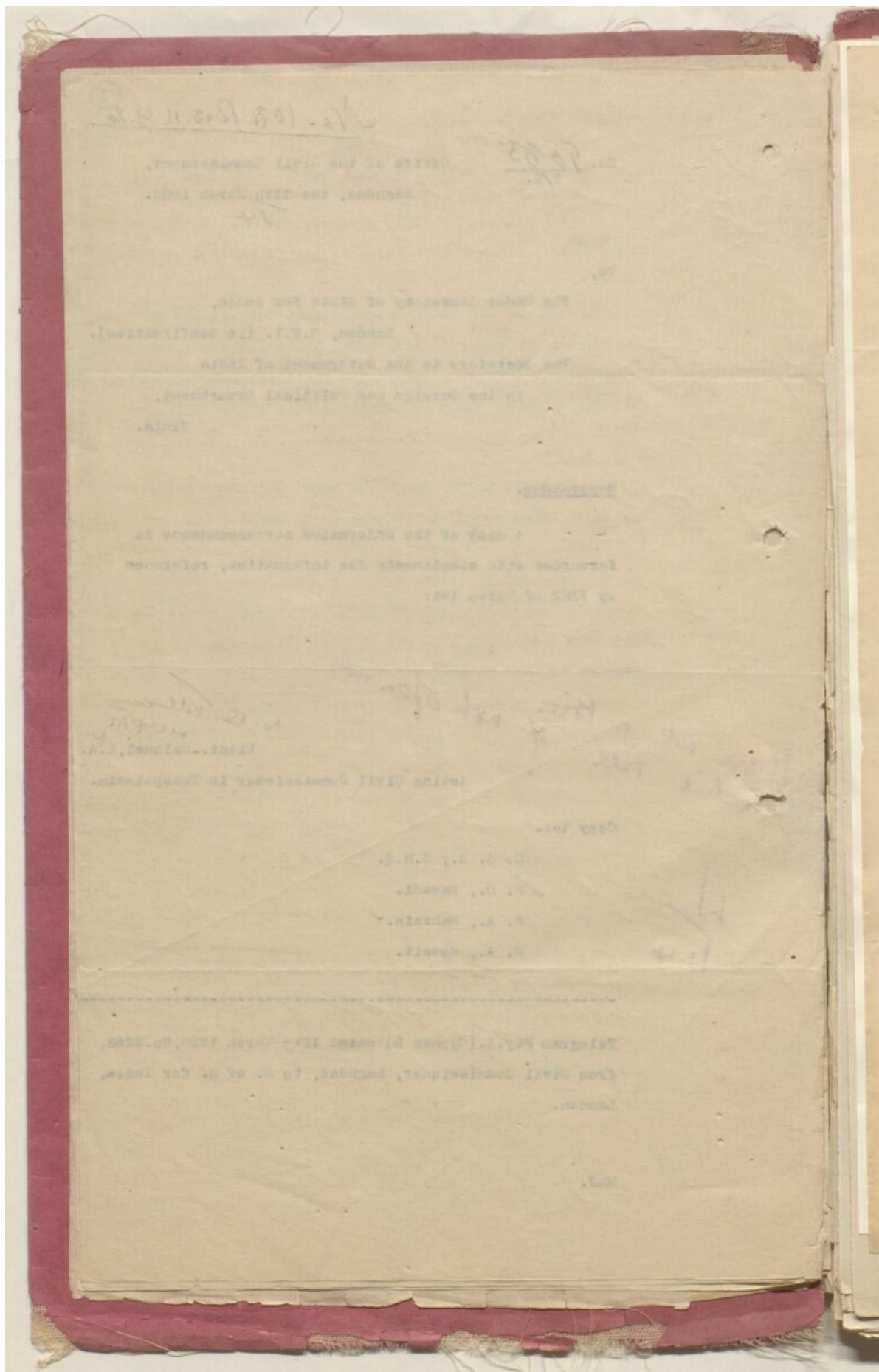
N. B. WOOD
M.L.R.A.C.
Lieut.-Colonel, I.A.
Acting Civil Commissioner in Mesopotamia.

Copy to:-

C. G. S., G.H.Q.
P. O., Ramadi.
P. A., Bahrain.
P. A., Koweit.

Telegram P.T.Y.A. (Cypher R) dated 12th March 1920, No. 3268,
from Civil Commissioner, Baghdad, to S. of S. for India,
London.

M.D.J.





Telegram Pty. A. (Gypner n.).

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From Civil Commissioner, Baghdad.

To S. of S. for India, London, repta. High Commissioner Cairo and Egypt Force, copy to General Baghdad.
No. 3268.

Dated 12th March 1920.

Bin Rashid has sent an Agent to see me at Baghdad.

From conversations with him and from a letter received from his master it appears clear that the latter having captured Jauf and Sakaka and consolidated his position against the Muwalla is now anxious to come to a definite agreement with us.

His relations with Bin Saud have improved and seem likely to improve still further.

Bin Rashid has intimated that it is inconvenient for him to come within 2 days march of Mesopotamia proper. I shall therefore be unable to meet him without absenting myself from Baghdad for longer than is convenient. I therefore propose subject to your concurrence to despatch immediately a specially selected Officer to meet him at Huzail where he ~~is~~ now is with a view to negotiating a preliminary agreement on the lines of your telegram of the 19th June.

The main point to be settled is the amount of the subsidy I am still of opinion that it should be fixed at Rs.37,500/- monthly of which the Mesopotamian Administration would contribute half.

With Chiefs of Anaizah Shammar and Hajd all in receipt of subsidies and mutually friendly Mesopotamian interests on this flank will be secured for some years to come.

Addressed India Office, repeated High Commissioner Cairo and Egyptforce copy to General Baghdad who concur in principle.





No. 114-6 Recd. 21.4.20

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No. 113 S of 1920.

British Residency and Consulate-General.

Bushire, 3rd April 1920.

To

The Political Agent,

Bahrain.

Memorandum.

The undermentioned endorsement from Civil Commissioner Baghdad was sent in error to this office and is forwarded to you herewith.

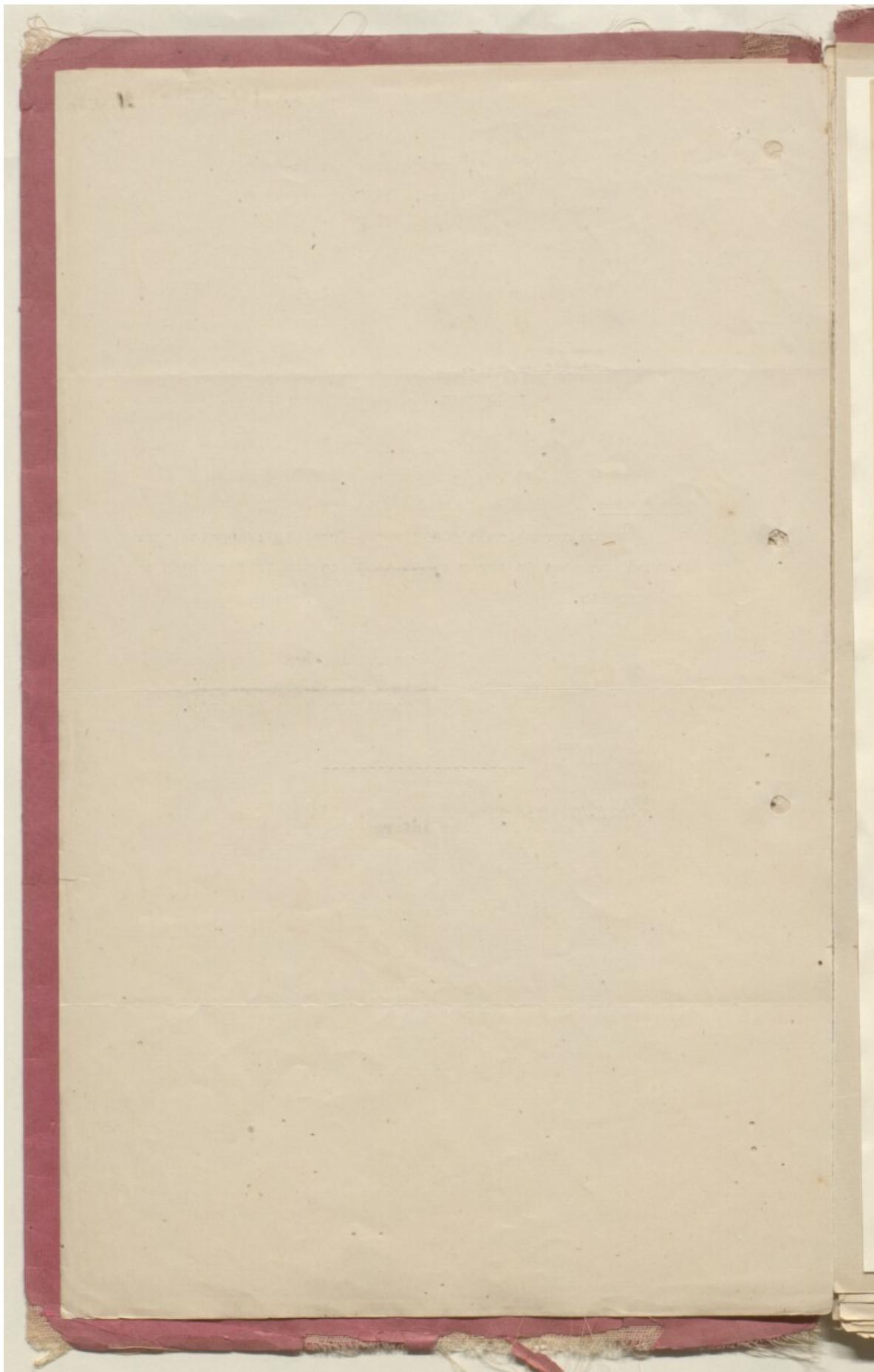
J. C. Taf

Lt.

Second Assistant Resident.

No. 9652/a/5 dated 18th March 1920.

Bin Rashid





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Telegram Melair.
From Civil Commissioner Baghdad.
To P. O. Ramadi.
No. 3479.
Dated 18th March 1920.

For Yetts begins -

Political Baerah reports Muri Shalan has sent men
to Bin Saud to ask for help against Bin Rashid, former
said to be inclined to agree and hostilities likely.

Report unconfirmed and on the whole seems very
improbable. Ends.

No. 9652
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Office of the Civil Commissioner,
Baghdad the 18th March 1920.

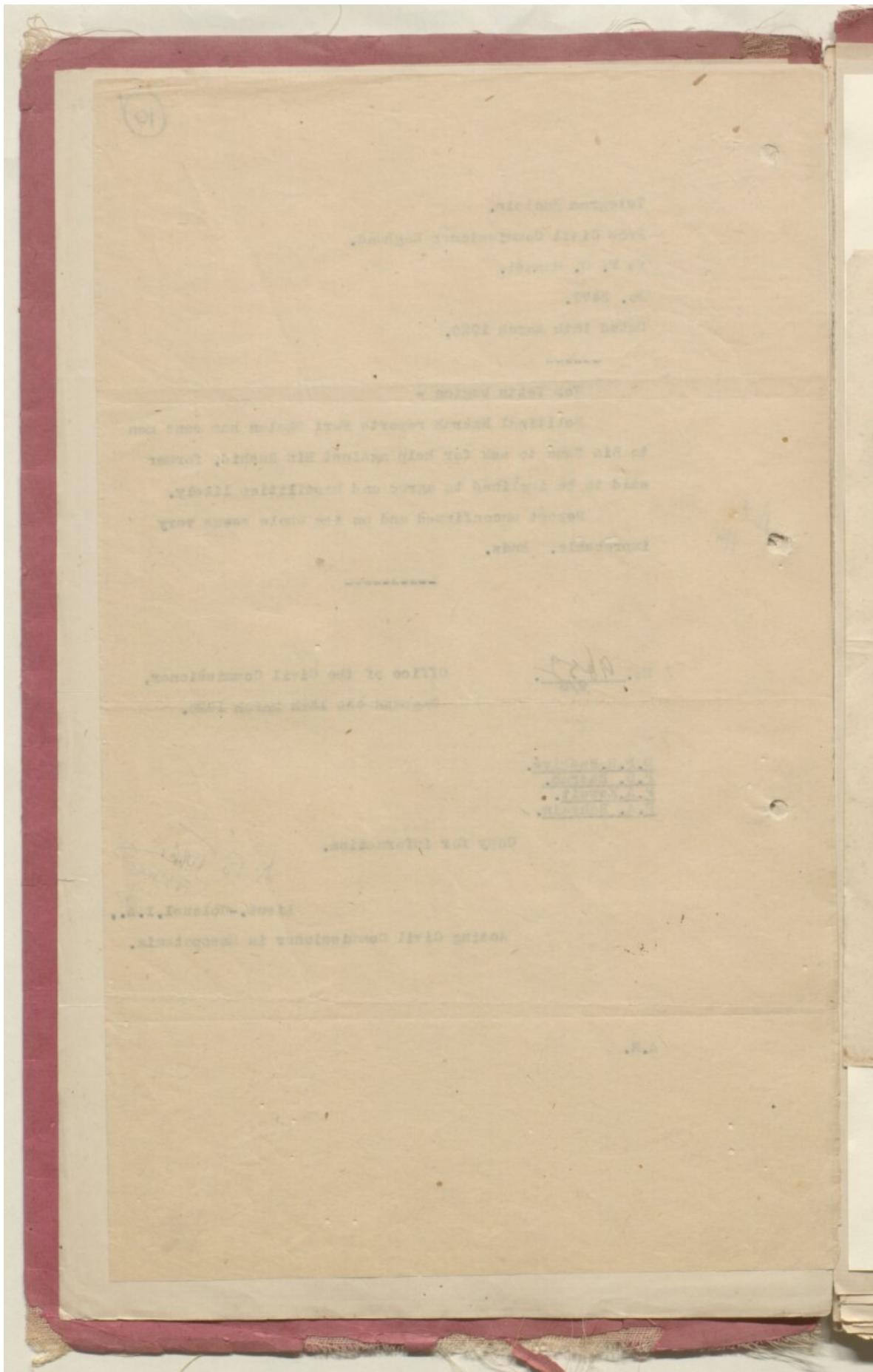
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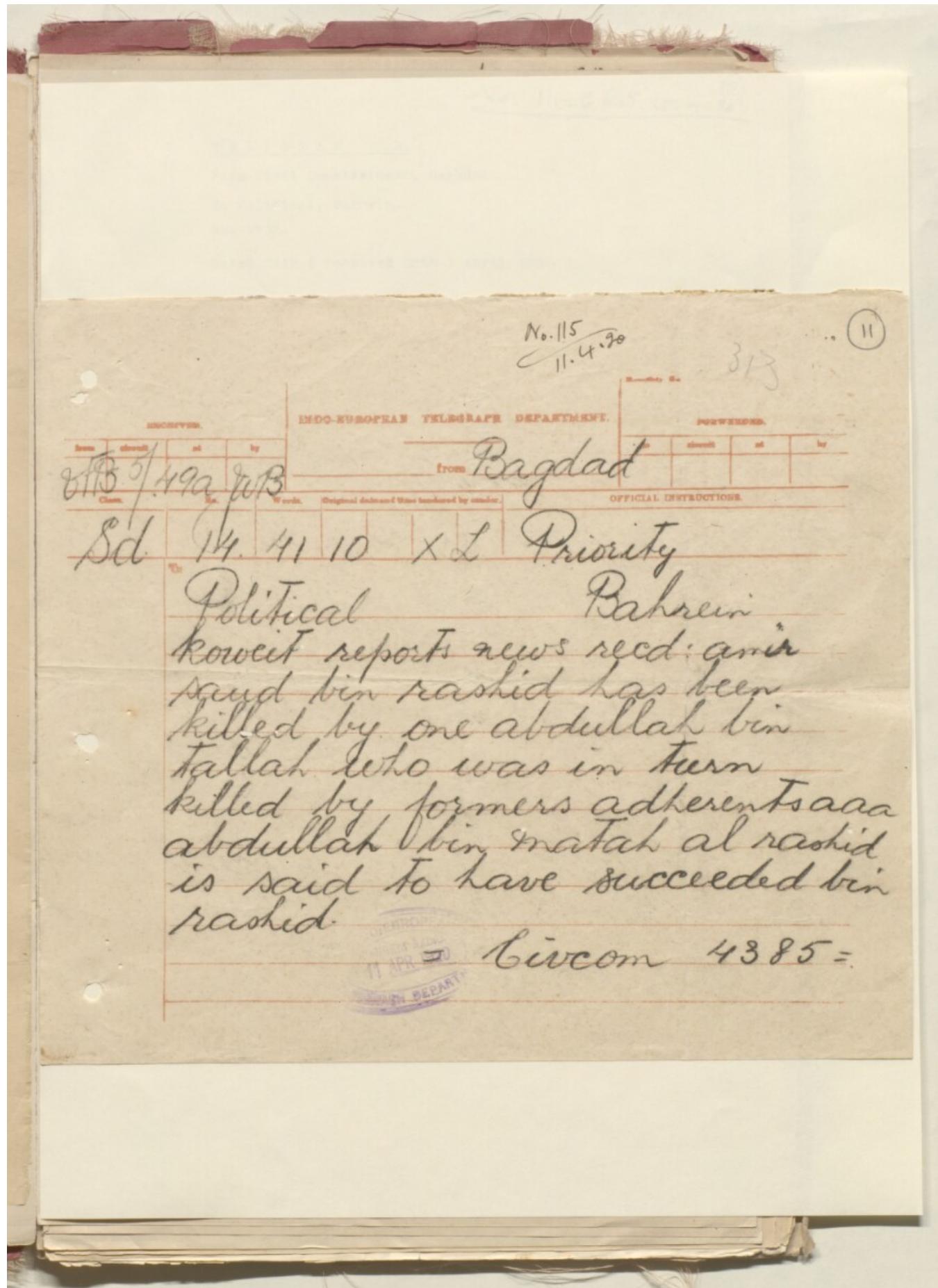
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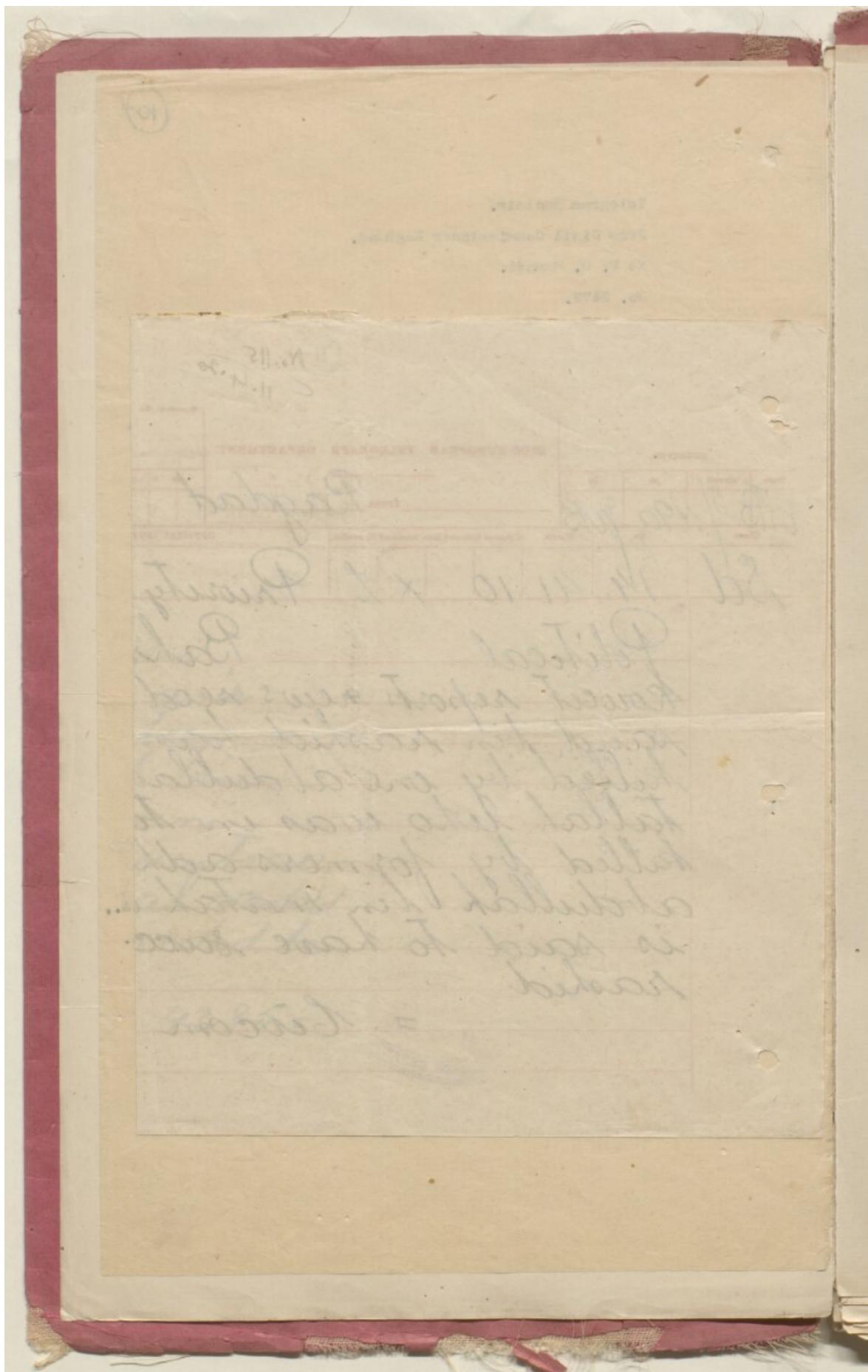
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AVRAF
Lieut.-Colonel, I.A.,

Acting Civil Commissioner in Mesopotamia.

A.R.









No. 116-6 Ref. 18.4.20 (12)

T E L E G R A M R.

From Civil Commissioner, Baghdad.

To Political, Bahrein.

No. 4715.

Dated 17th (received 18th) April 1920.

My telegram of 13th April 4524. It appears that murder of Saud bin Rashid was due solely to family jealousies and was not instigated from outside.

General opinion appears to be that event will greatly strengthen position of Bin Saud in Central Arabia.

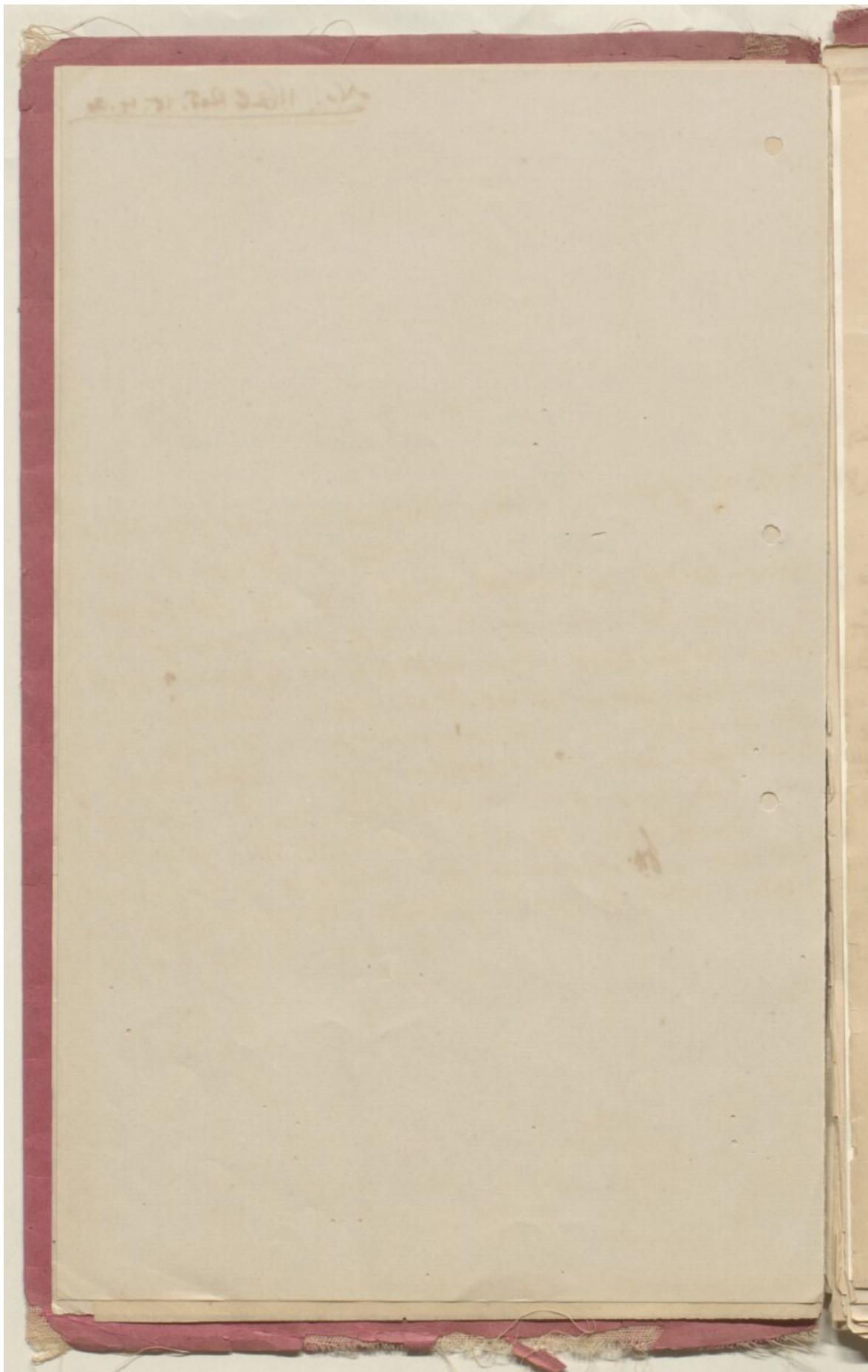
Present Amir Abdullah Ibn Mitaab is a (youth) of thirteen on whose behalf his great uncle Ibn Ajil is acting.

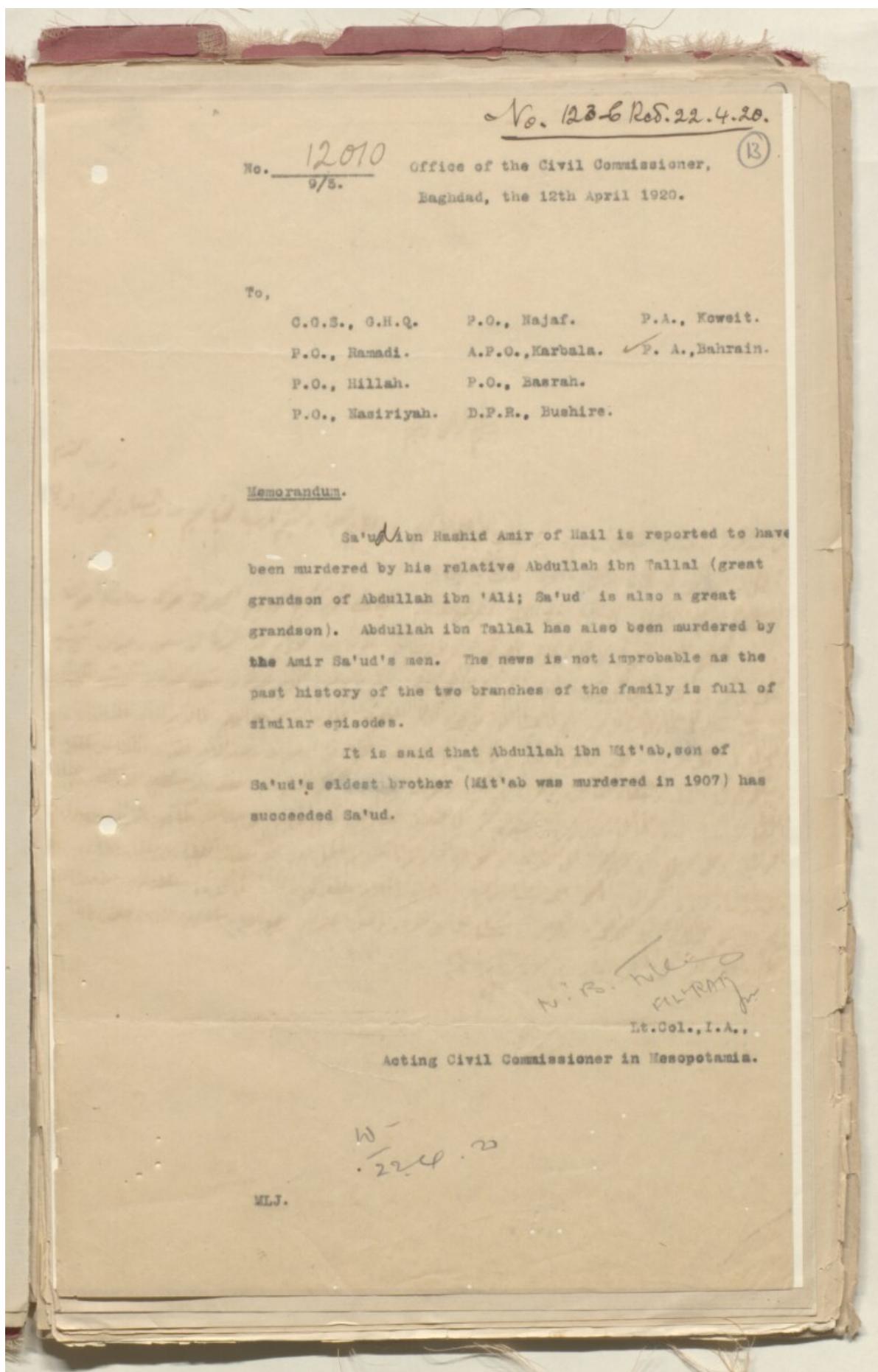
Latter is said to be disliked by tribesmen and townsmen alike and arrangement is not likely to last.

It is considered probable that Feásal bin Hamud bin Obeid oldest representative of the youngest branch house, long a refugee in Riyadh, will be put up by Bin Saud as Amir of Shammar. Addressed India Office, repeated Simla, Cairo, Koweit, Bahrein Bushire.

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No. 135-6 Rec. 30.4.20. ١٤

Forwarded to C.C. Baghdad
under No. 121-C.Otd. 5.5.20.

5.5.20

بسم الرحمن الرحيم

رسن العتم

من العزيز بن عبد الرحمن الفيصل آل سعود الى خاتم الأهل ان الكرم زاد الكاظم العبدة والشيف الرضبة مهنا الحريم صاحبة الميراج آر بي
فضل الروله الفخمه البريطاني الفلكي بالجويون مات مفطلاه آپن .

السلام والتحية والذكرى الى تلك الائمه العلية اعرض علىكم الباعث لغيركم كما الوراودي المعن عن احوال سعادكم اهونا
بسماه النسم على ما يحبون من كل الوجوه فالم بحثت امر وشأن سوى بردهه الذايم قد استجدنا ان سعود عبد العزيز آل شيخ ثالث ولد
عنه ابي عبد الله الطلال آل شيب نفتواه خام نعام ما هي الفقه فقدم بالامارة الامير عبد الله متبع العزيز آل شيخ ثالث ولد
هست السن في حاره عشرين عمره ثم ما يتأنفون من هذه المقالة الفقهيه اعاده الله من حاليهم نازلهم الحافى مالر من الاشتـ
والزملاىي تبعي امر من الامور فالآن زمام الامارة بآيا وي بعض سفرها من السبران ورعيه الامير المقتول اتنا لهم مكتوب
بسماهون ما الهمه وانقا والمعاهدة وحرنا لهم كتاب وشرطنا عليهم بعـشـرـ سـنـاـ ما انـقـعـدـ ولا نـسـحـاجـ الاـرـجـحـ جـالـ
اكـفـيـاـ منـ أـعـيـانـ بـيـدـهـ حـالـ وـرـسـاـ عـيـشـةـ شـرـكـاـ تـعـاـدـونـ سـعـادـكـمـ اـنـالـمـ شـعـبـاـ عـوـجـ عـدـمـ بـاتـهمـ وـلـرـمـ لـعـودـ وـ
الموافق وـهـ المـعـلـىـ اـنـهـ سـيـحـكـوـنـ اـلـىـ اـلـشـرـيفـ وـاـحـزـابـهـ كـمـ ذـكـرـنـاـ آنـفـاـ مـنـ قـبـلـ عـوـدـهـ الـرـكـفـانـ اـكـفـاـءـ اـنـ حـالـ حـالـ
وـمـ رـسـاـ عـشـرـةـ شـرـفـانـ اـبـوـ اـللـهـ وـلـيـاـ وـدـلـيـمـ اـبـيـ اـعـلامـ سـعـادـكـمـ بـذـكـرـ فـاقـعـيـهـ لـسـتـعـدـكـمـ بـ حـاصـفـانـ
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I will translate please.

W.
30.4.20

P.A.

Translation is made and submitted herewith.

W. 30.4.20





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Telegram

From - Political, Bahrain.

To - Civcom, Baghdad.

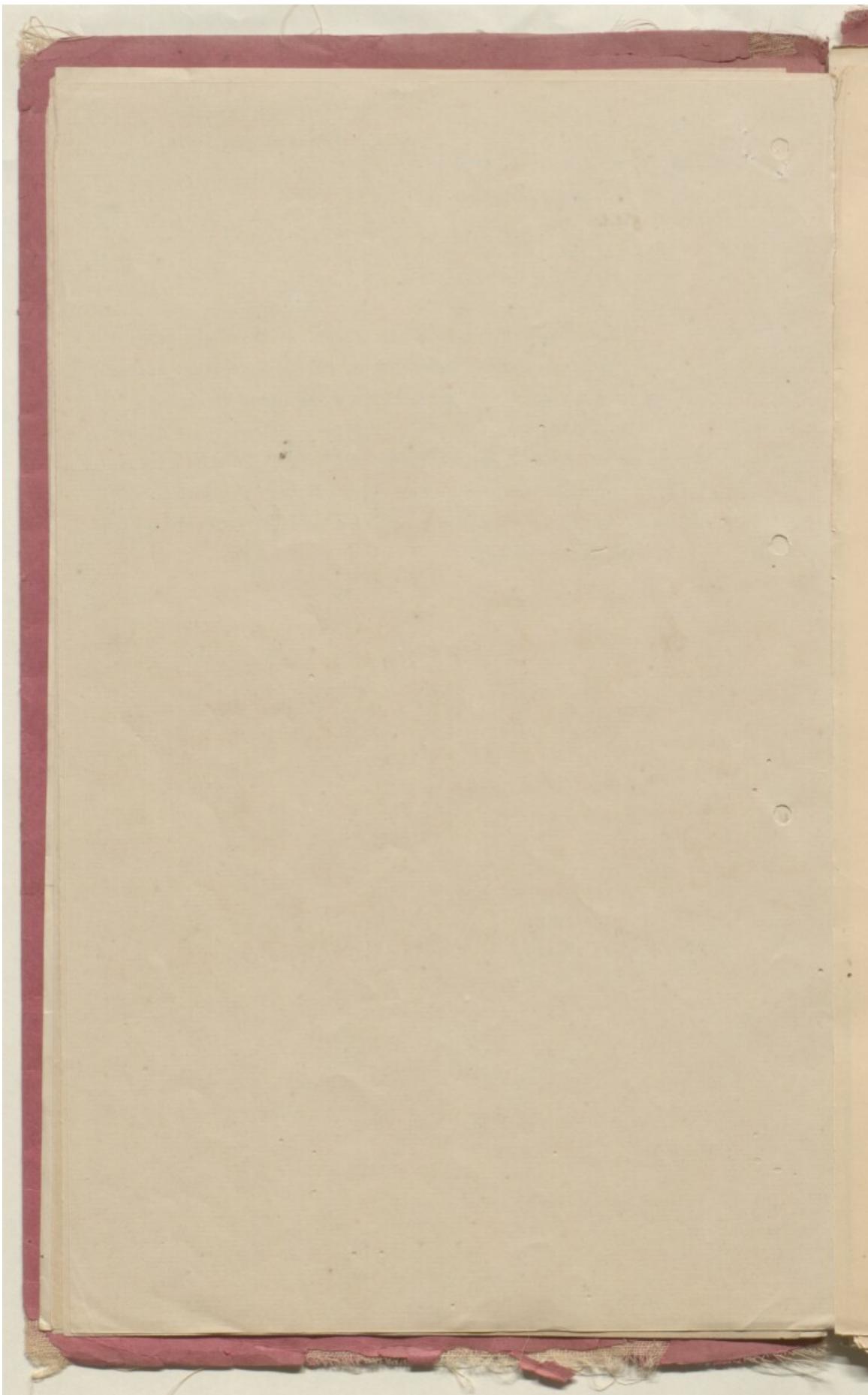
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Dated 2-5-1920.

Bin saud writing 14th April confirms death Bin Raschid also appointment of Abdullah bin Mitaab as successor. States new Amir boy of eleven completely in the hands of Sabhan family. Latter have written asking for continuance of friendly relations Bin Saud has answered he declines to hold communication with anyone except notables of Mail and Shaikhs Shammar. Bin saud adds he fears Sabhan family are about ⁶open intrigue with Shareef letter posted.

Sp.

Political.





No. 121-C.

POLITICAL AGENCY. (16)

Bahrain, the 5th May 1920.

To

The Civil Commissioner,

BAGHDAD.

MEMORANDUM.

In continuation of my No. 526 dated 2nd May 1920, I beg to forward, herewith, translation of Bin Saud's letter dated 24th Rajab 1338 (= 14th April 1920) regarding murder of Ibn Rasheed, and affairs at Ha'il.

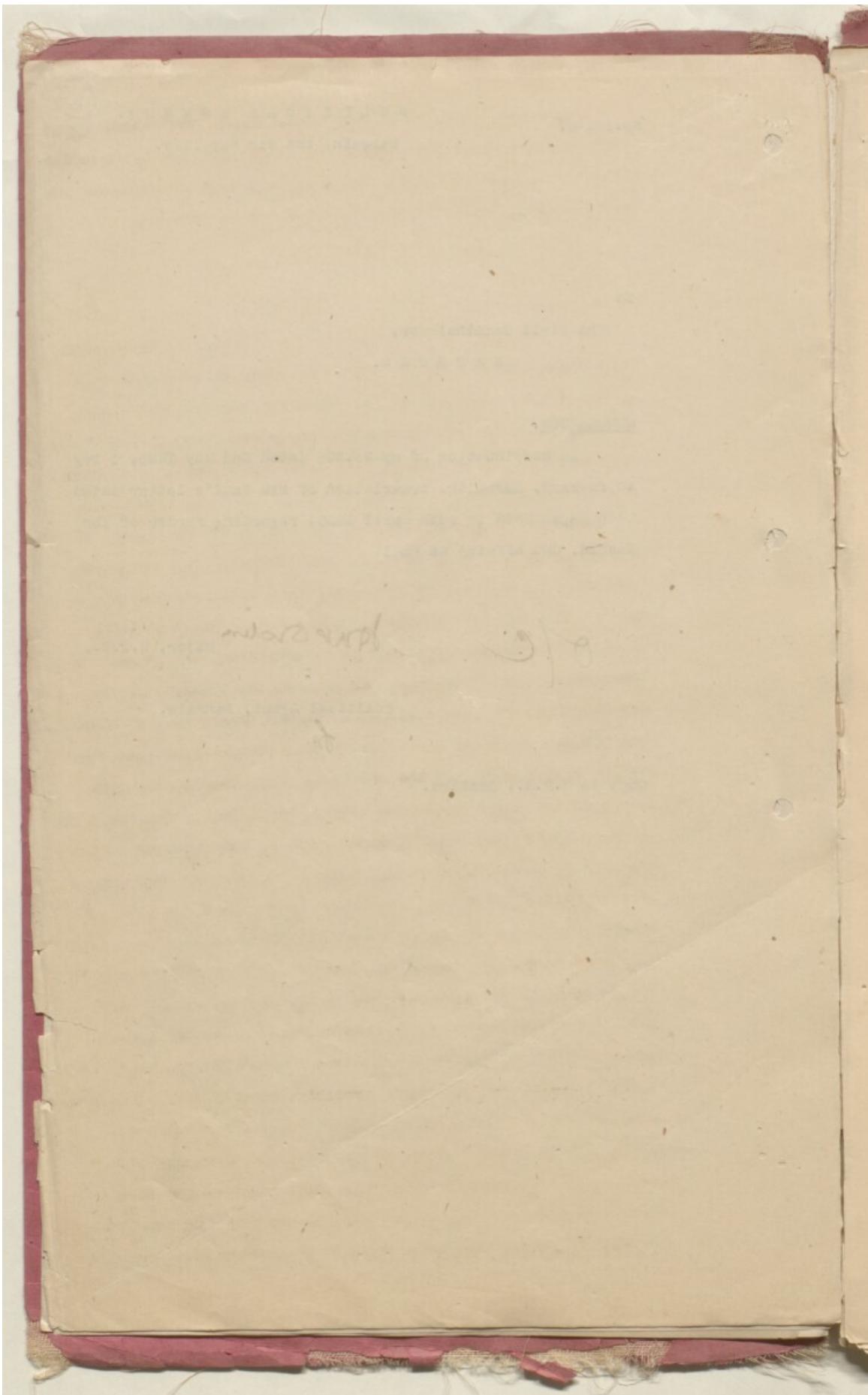
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J.W. Ordin Major, C.I.E.,

Political Agent, Bahrain.

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Copy to D.P.R., Bushire.





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translation of a letter dated 24th Rajab 1358 (=14th April 1920) from His Excellency Shaikh Sir Abdul Aziz bin Abdur Rahman Al-Faisal As Saud, K.C.I.E., Ruler of Najd and Dependencies, to Major H.R.P.Dickson, C.I.E., Political Agent, Bahrain.

After Compliments,

The object of writing this friendly letter is to enquire after your honour's health and to say that my condition will please you by the grace of God, in every respect, and that nothing important has occurred in these days, except that I have received news to the effect that Sa'ud bin Abdul Aziz Al-Rashid has been killed by his cousin Abdullah Al-Talâl Al-Rashid.

I do not as yet know the actual details of the murder, but Amir Abdullah bin Matab Al Abdul Aziz Al Rashid has succeeded to the Amirate. This man is of a young age, being only 11 (eleven) years old. They(the murderers) do not feel ashamed of this disgraceful conduct from the like of which may God preserve me. The present Amir is incompetent and does not possess the necessary qualifications for administration and management of affairs; the Amirate is now in the hands of same stupid individuals of the Al Sabban tribe and the slaves of the assassinated Amir. I received a letter from them begging me to make peace and conclude a treaty with them. I wrote a reply, and embodied certain conditions to be complied with before I would have anything to do with them. This was to the effect that I would neither make peace nor conclude a treaty except in the presence of the leading ~~notables~~ notables of the town of Hail and the Shaikhs of the tribe of Shammar. As your honour is well aware, I do not trust these people because of their false promises and untrustworthy attitude towards alliances and friendships in general. Most probably, they will give themselves entirely over to the Sharif and his friends. As I have said above I do not accept their solemn promises, except under the guarantee of competent men of Hail and the Headmen of Shammar, and if they do not agree, God, is both our guardian and theirs as well. I desired to report this to your honour, and would

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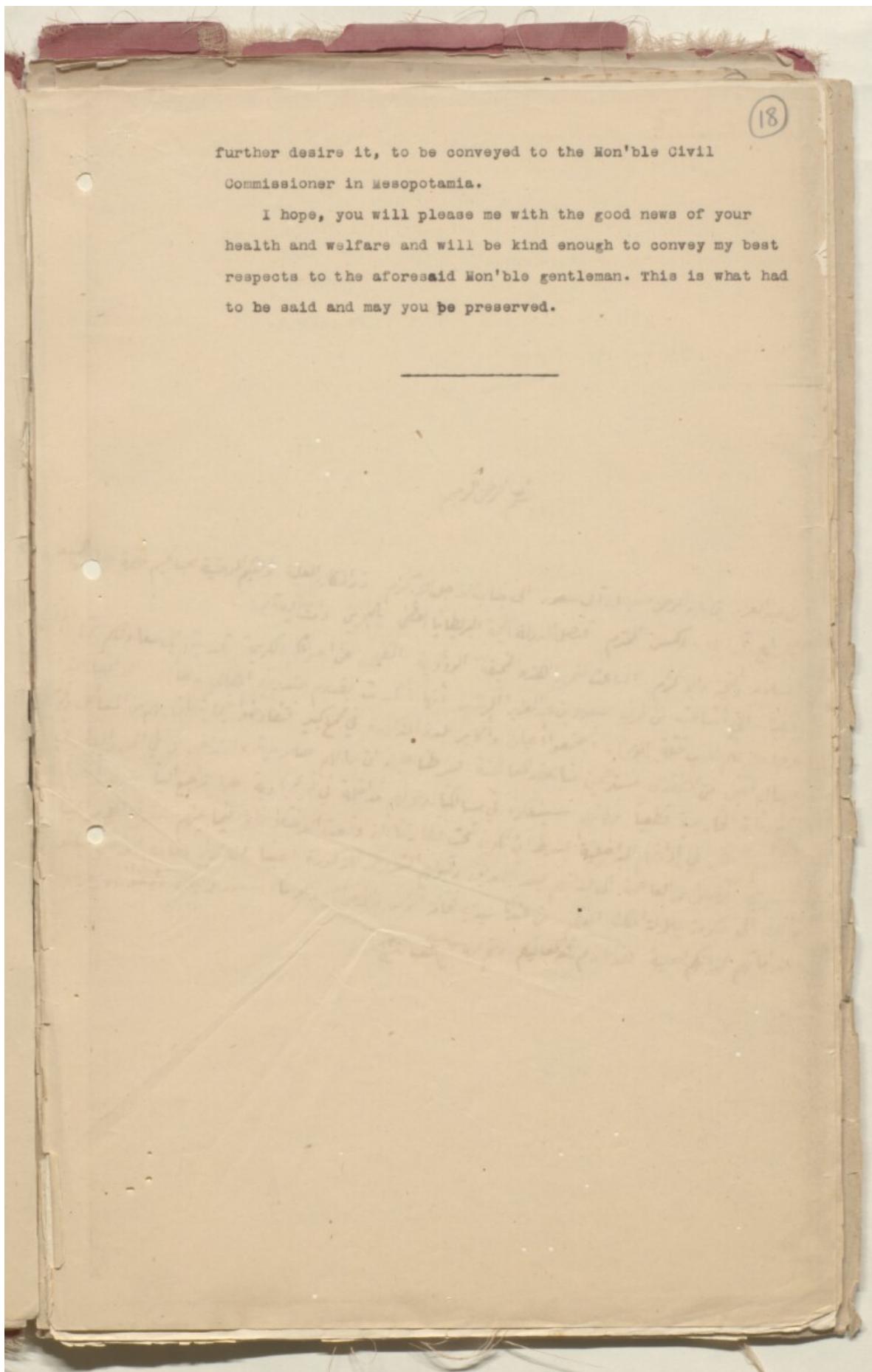




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further desire it, to be conveyed to the Hon'ble Civil Commissioner in Mesopotamia.

I hope, you will please me with the good news of your health and welfare and will be kind enough to convey my best respects to the aforesaid Hon'ble gentleman. This is what had to be said and may you be preserved.







A circular stamp with the text "POLITICAL AGENCY" at the top, "REGIST." in the center, "No. 152 C" below it, and "Date 5.5.2014" at the bottom. The outer border contains the text "BAHAWALPUR, PERSIAN GUL".

5.5.20

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Forwarded to G. B. Baghdad
under Nos. 122-6 & 123-6

7.5.20

بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ





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Telegram Cypher R.
From - Political, Bahrain.
To - Civcom, Baghdad.
No. 122-C.
Dated - 5-1920.

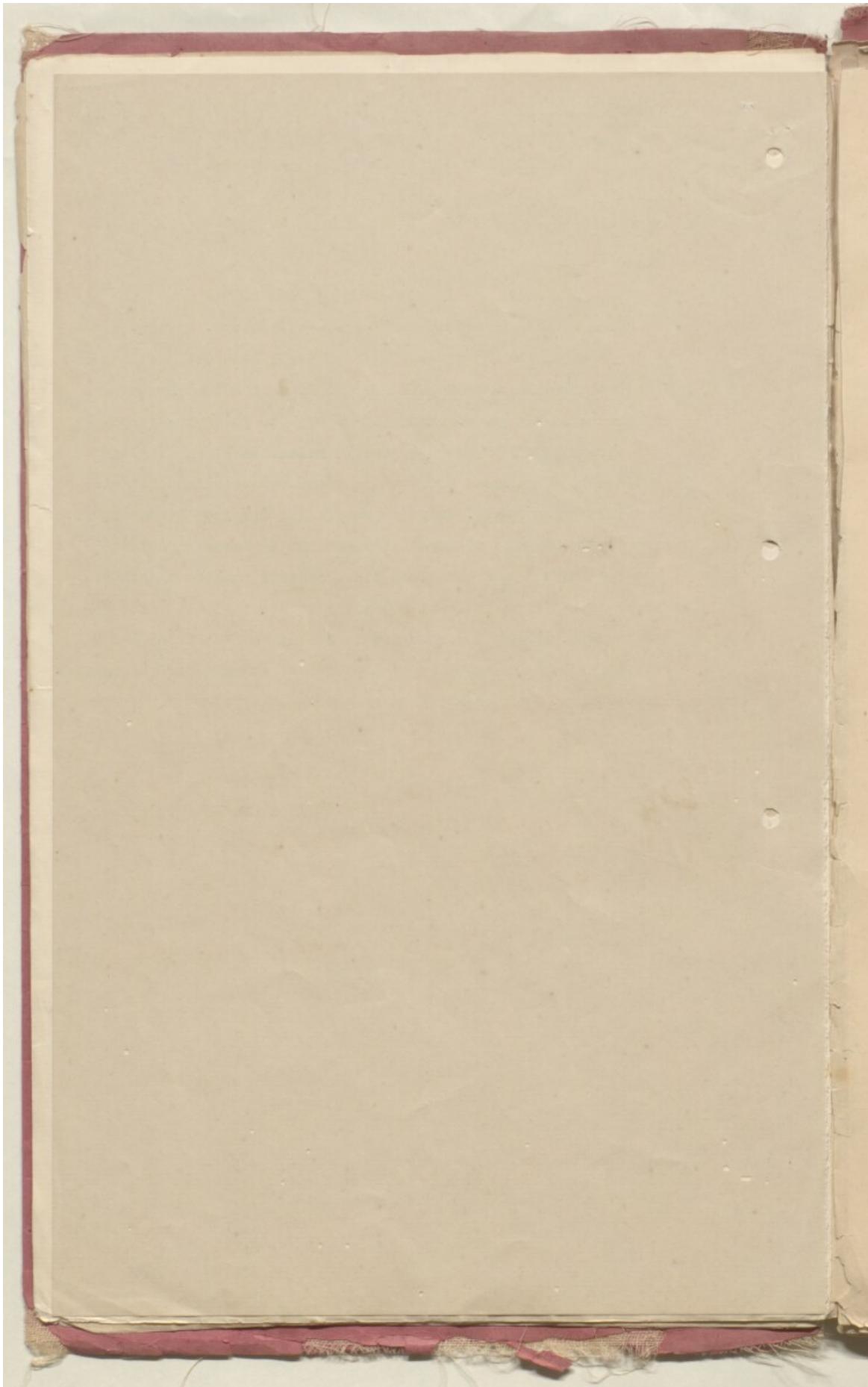
Bin Saud writes dated 26th April as follows. Begins.

In continuation of my letter of April 14th deputation representing leaders of Hail arrived Riadh for the purpose of arranging a treaty. Deputation agreed to following terms.

Firstly, Hail to have no Foreign relations except through me. Secondly, to leave all matters connected with Nomad Shammar entirely in my hands. These to submit all disputes direct to me. Thirdly, the Amirate to remain independant in management its internal affairs on condition final control remains my hands. Forth. Final appeals in all disputes to be submitted to me for settlement. Deputation returned to Hail after accepting and ratifying above conditions sent Political Bahrain for information H.M.G. Ends. Full translation by post.

Sent by
5.5.20

Political





CONFIDENTIAL.

No.123-G.

POLITICAL AGENCY.

(21)

Bahrain, the 7th May 1920.

To

The Civil Commissioner,
BAGHDAD.

MEMORANDUM.

In continuation of my telegram No.123-G dated 5th May 1920, I beg to forward herewith enclosed, translation of Bin Saud's letter dated 5th Shaaban 1338 (= 28th April 1920) for your information.

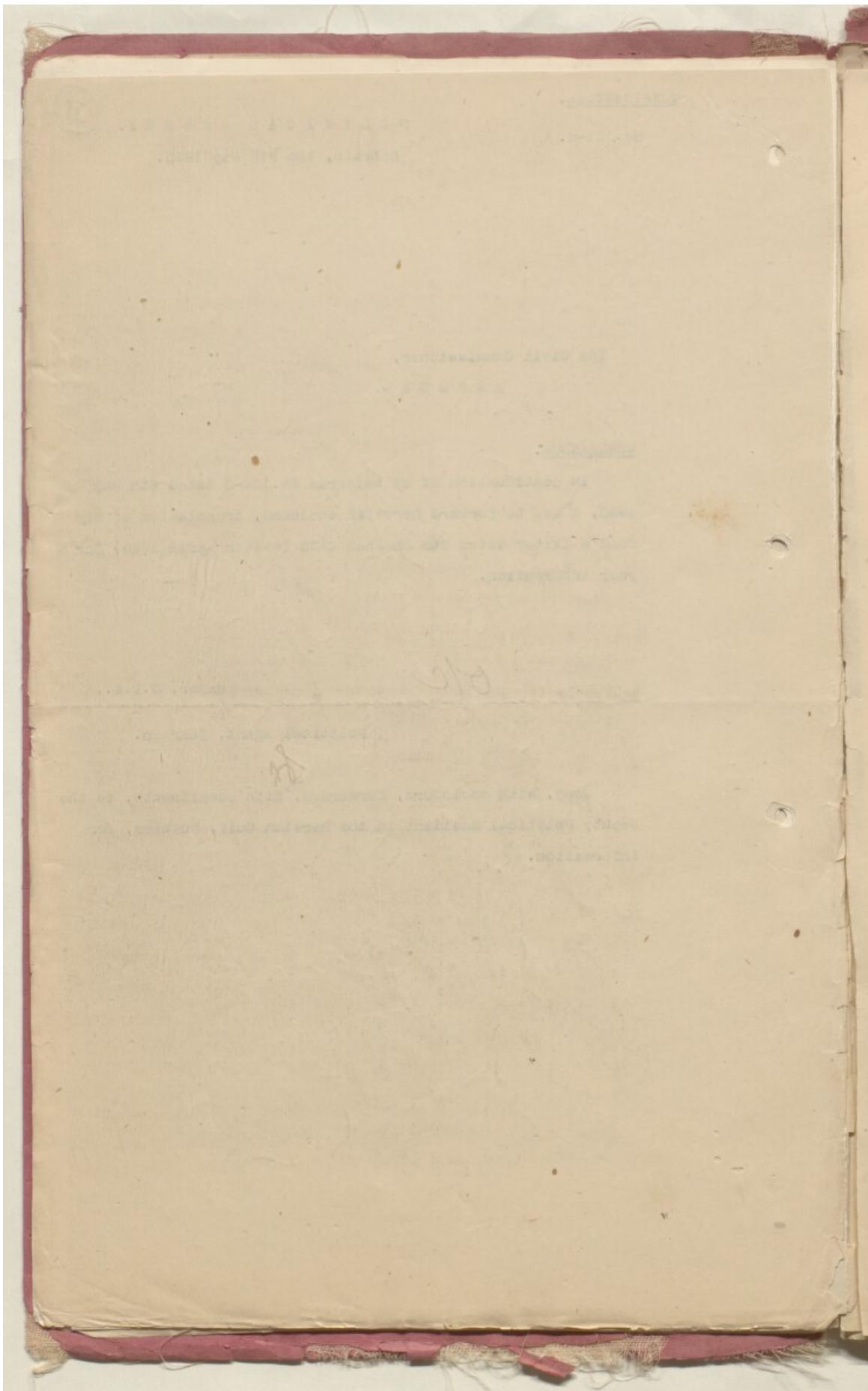
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Major, C.I.E.,

Political Agent, Bahrain.

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Copy, with enclosure, forwarded, with compliments, to the Deputy Political Resident in the Persian Gulf, Bushire, for information.





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Translation of a letter dated 8th Shaaban 1338 (=28th April 1920) from Bin Saud to the Political Agent, Bahrain,

After Compliments,

The object of writing this cordial letter is to enquire after your Honour's health and to state that before this I had addressed you Honour a letter containing the news regarding Saud bin Abdul Aziz al Rashid. This has now been confirmed by the arrival of certain representatives from Hail to my Capital. Regarding the above I submitted to your Honour a report after the assassination of the aforesaid. Now I beg to further report to your Honour that the notables and chief men of Hail assembled in a large gathering and discussed certain questions which concerned them and finally decided to depute two of the influential men of Hail to beg me to conclude a treaty with them. On their arrival I demanded from them the following terms:-

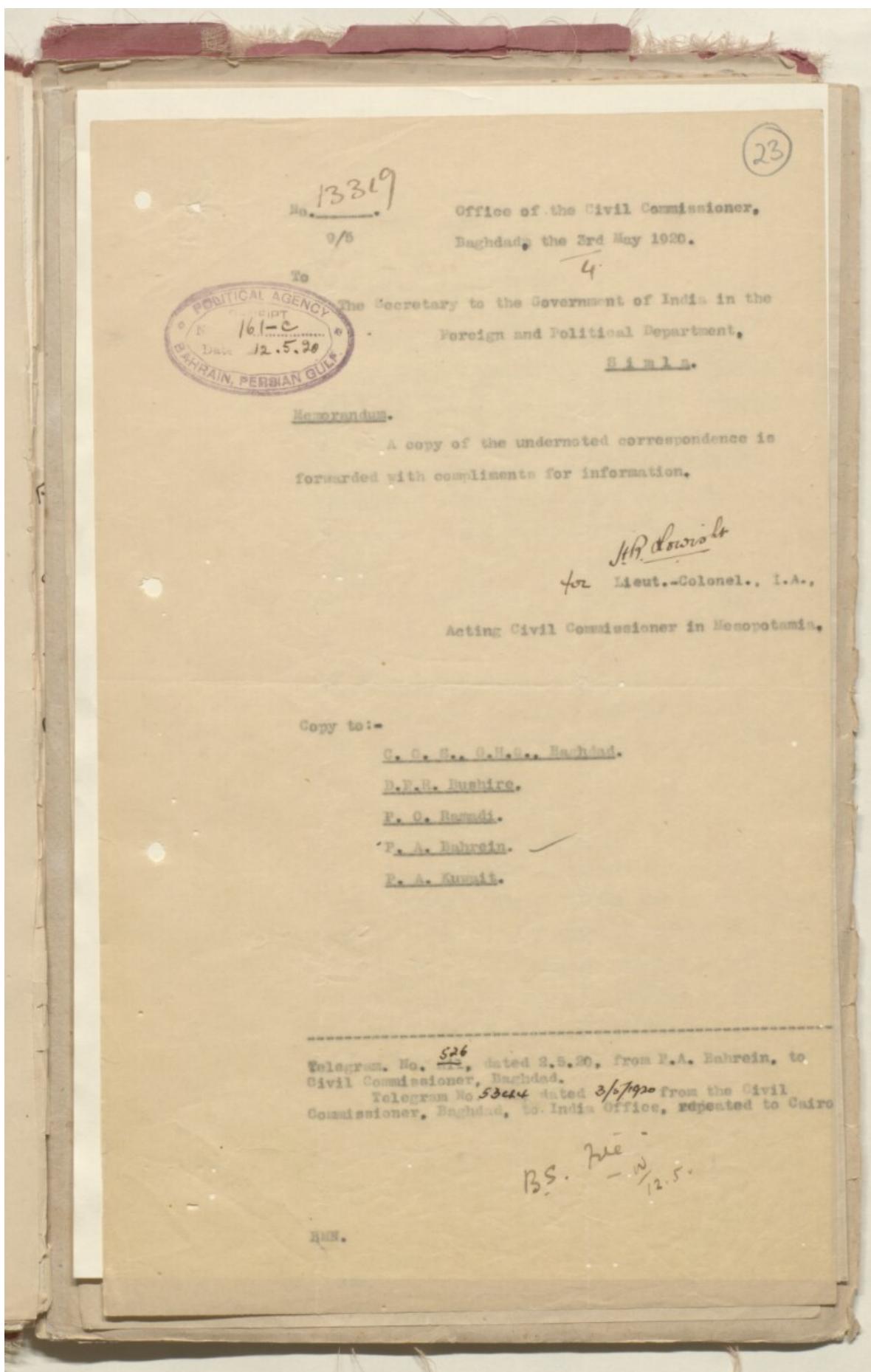
"That they shall have no privilege or right of interference in the Government of the Province (as a whole), nor will they have the right to manage their external affairs at all; That they shall follow my policy : That they shall have no right to interfere with the nomad tribes (Shammar), these latter referring their differences to me for (final) settlement. That I would leave their Amirate (independent), and the administration of their internal affairs in their hands, providing that it is under my supreme control. If any disputes take place among them they shall submit them to me for final adjustment."

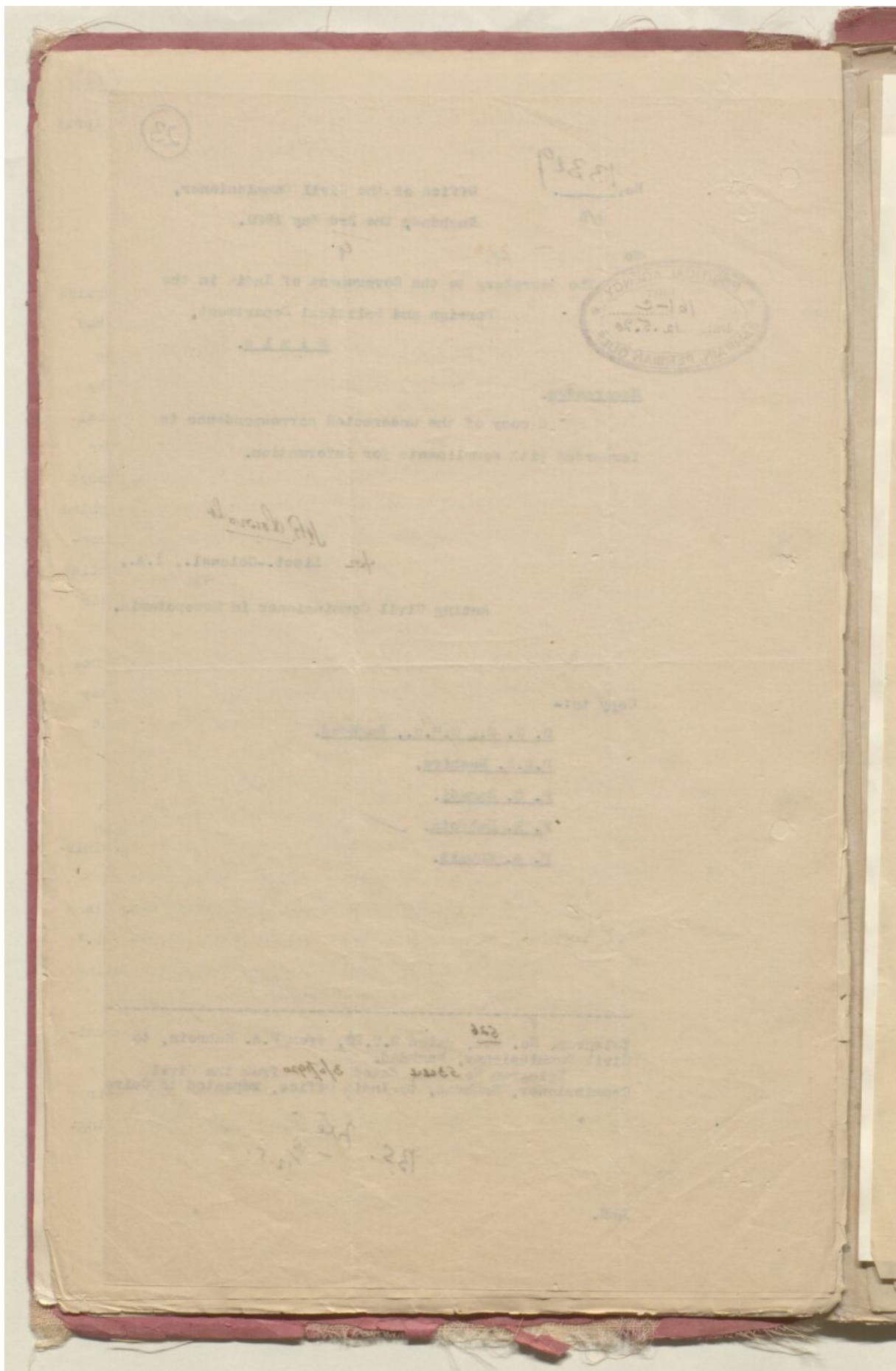
The representatives returned from my Capital after having accepted and ratified the aforesaid terms which I desire to acquaint you Honour with in order that the same may be communicated to His Majesty's Government.

My father, ~~xx~~ brothers and sons Saud and Faisal and their brothers send their best respects to your Honour. Usual Ending.

[Handwritten signature]









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Telegram.

From - P-A Bahrain.

To - Civil Commissioner, Baghdad.

No. ~~num.~~ 524

Dated 2nd and 3rd, 3-5-1920.

Ibn Saud writing April 14th confirms death
Bin Rashid also appointment of Abdullah Bin Minaab
as successor. States new Amir of eleven completely
in the hands of Sabhan family (?). Latter have
written asking for continuance of friendly relations.
Ibn Saud has answered he declines hold communication
with any one except notables of Ha'il and Shaikh
Shammar. Ibn Saud adds he fears Sabhan family are
about to open intrigue with Sharif. Letter posted.

Telegram. R.

From - Civil Commissioner, Baghdad.

To - India Office, London, repeated to Cairo.

No. 5344

Dated. 3. 5. 20.

My telegram of 17th April.

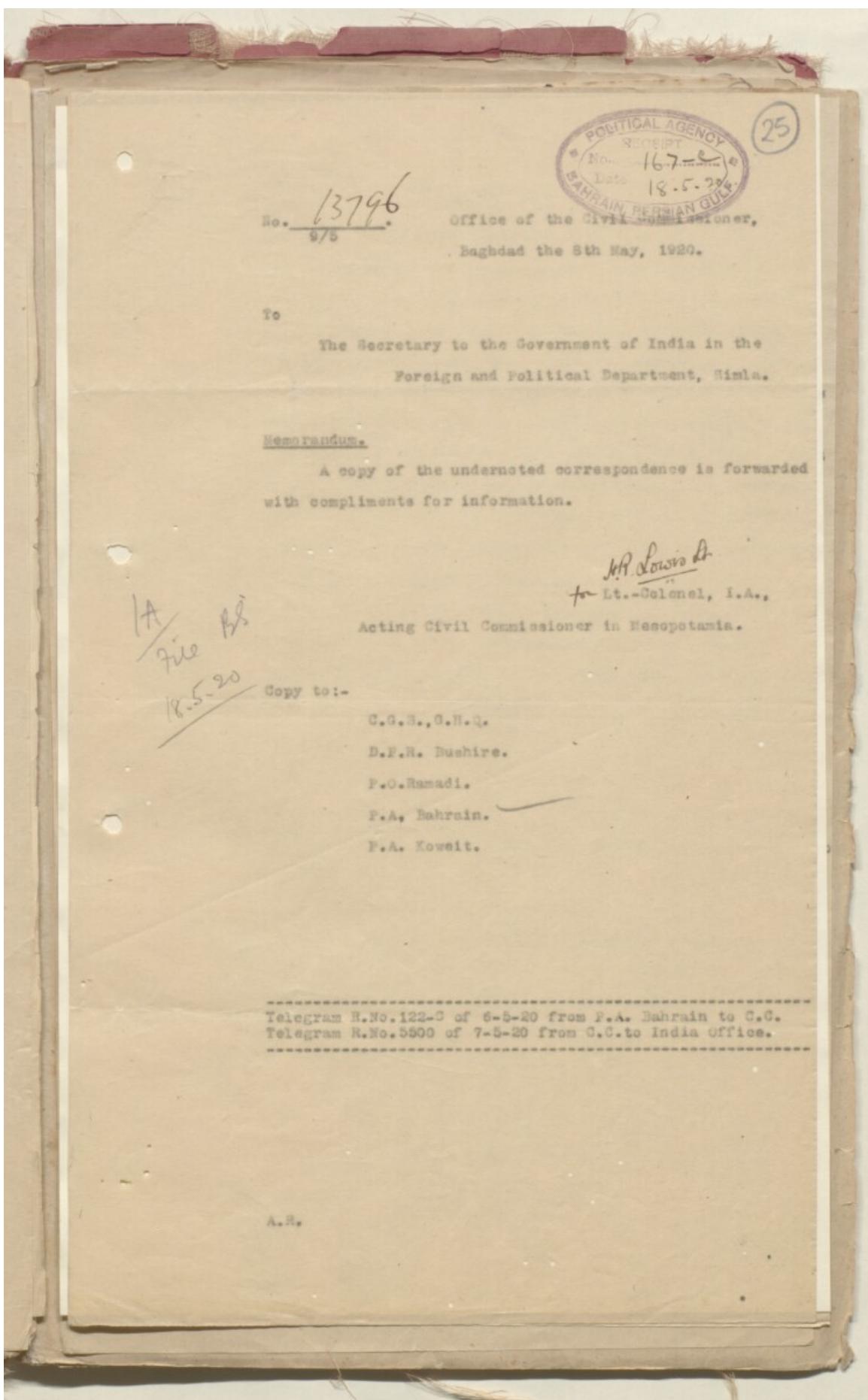
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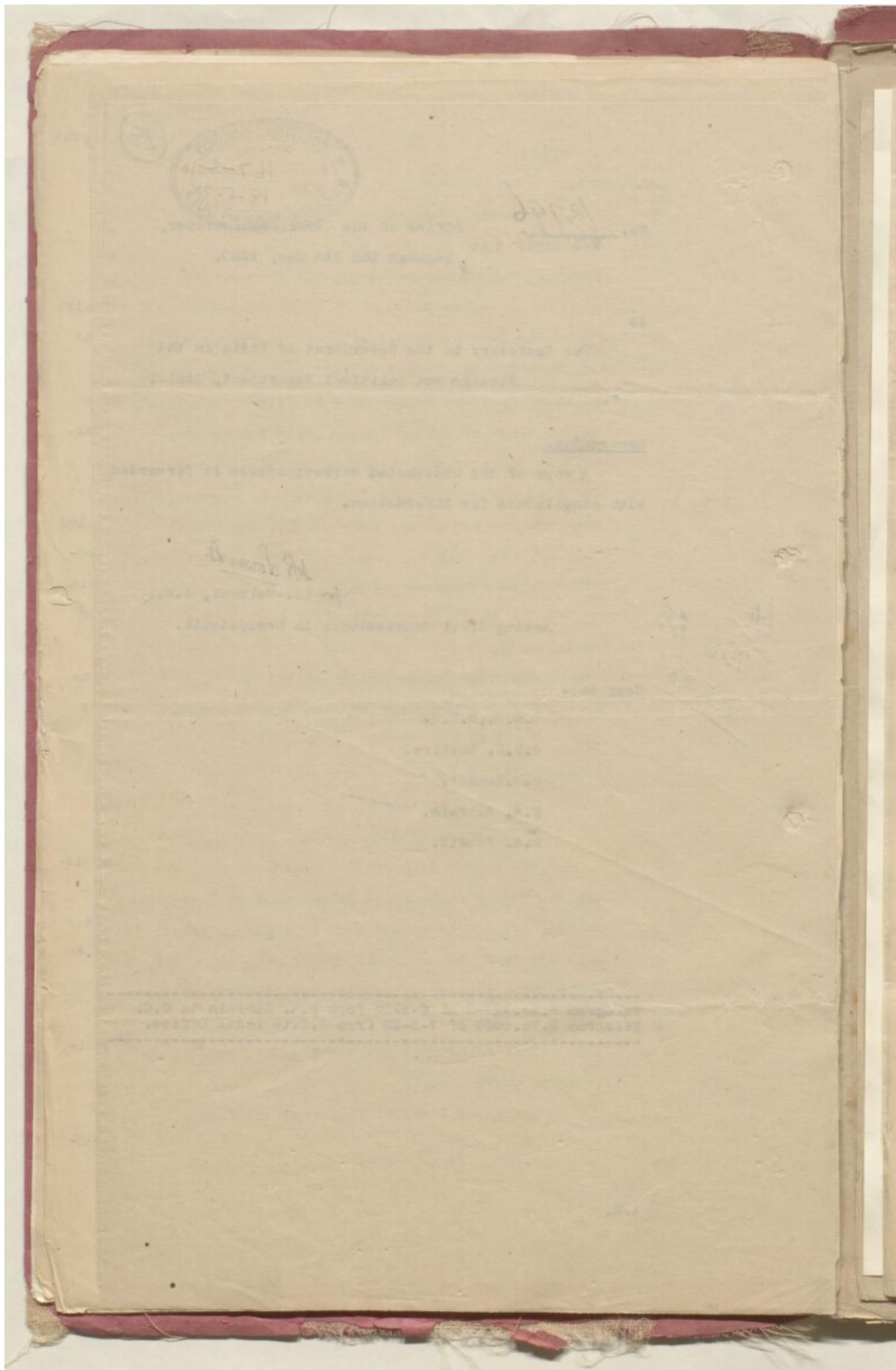
This emphasizes possibility mentioned in my
telegram above quoted.

Addressed India Office, repeated Cairo.

B.R.Y.









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Telegram R.
From Political Agent, Bahrain.
To Civil Commissioner, Baghdad.
No. 122-C.
Dated 6th and received 7th May, 1920.

"Bin Saud writes April 26th as follows begins:-

In continuation of my despatch of April 14th. Deputation representing Bin Saud's leaders of Hail arrived at Riyadh for the purpose of arranging a treaty. Deputation agreed to following terms firstly Hail to have no foreign relations except through me; secondly leave all matters connected with Somad Shammar in my hands. These submit all disputes direct to me; thirdly Amirate remains independent of Governorship of its internal affairs on condition that final control remains in my hands; fourthly final appeals in all disputes to be submitted to me for settlement.

I.A.
I hope you
did not make
the mistake. It
should be Bin
Rashid of course

W-
18.6.20
Deputation returned to Hail after accepting and
ratifying these above considerations. Sent to Political
Bahrain for information of H.M.G. Full translation by post."

No. I could not
find 'Bin Saud' for
'Bin Rashid'.
J.W.

18/5/20
Telegram R.
From Civil Commissioner, Baghdad.
To India Office, London, repeated to High Commissioner, Cairo
No. 5500.
Dated 7th May, 1920.

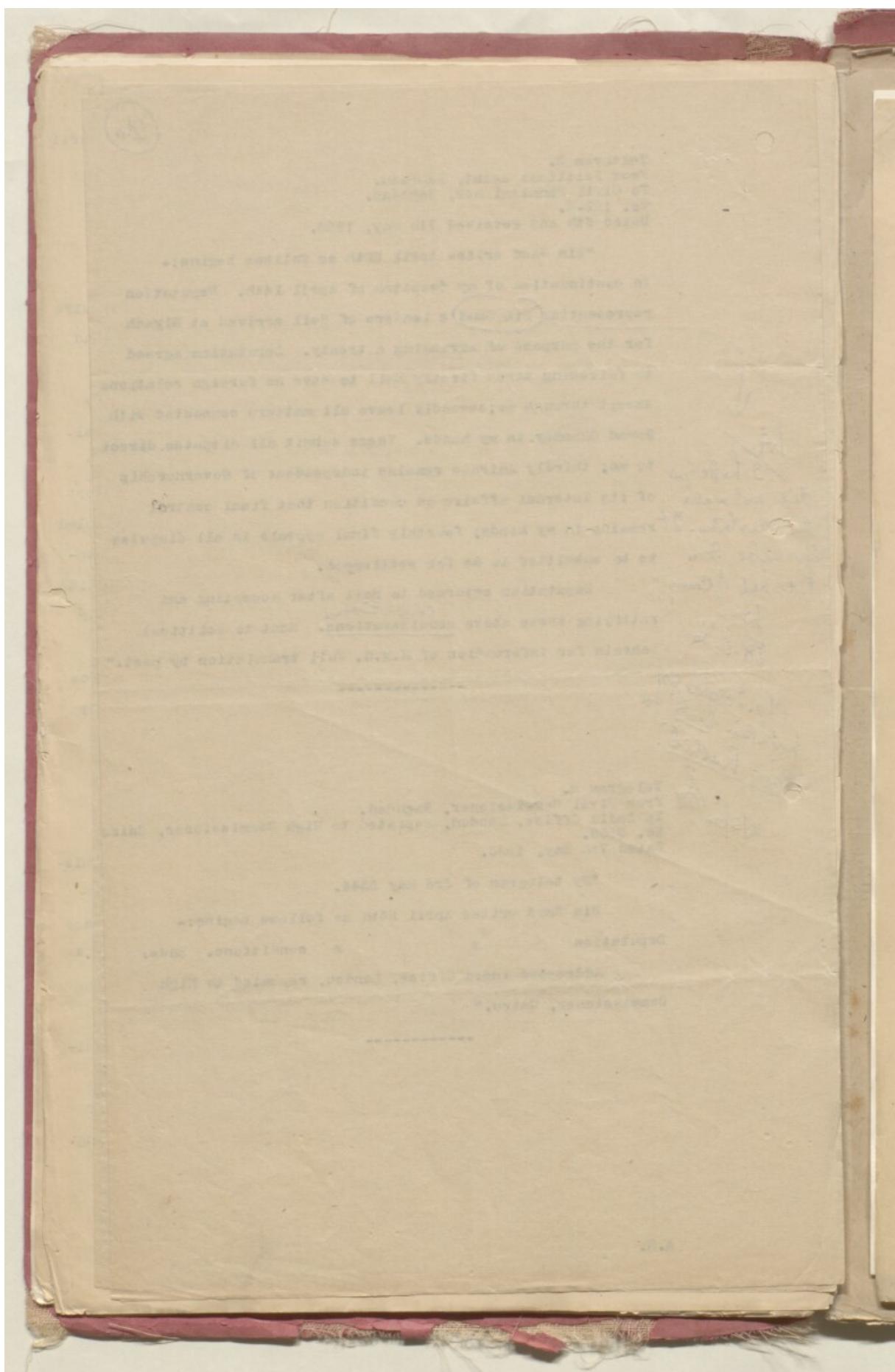
"My telegram of 3rd May 5344.

Bin Saud writes April 26th as follows begins:-

Deputation x conditions. Ends.

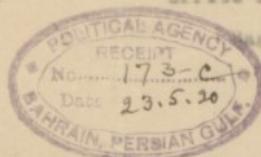
Addressed India Office, London, repeated to High
Commissioner, Cairo."

A.R.A.





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No. 14263
V/S

To,

- (1) The Under-Secretary of State for India, London S.W.1
(10 copies).
(2) The Secretary to the Government of India,
in the Foreign and Political Department, Simla
(20 Copies).
(3) The High Commissioner, Cairo (10 Copies).

Memorandum.

A copy of the undernoted correspondence is forwarded
with compliments for information.

M.R. Daws
of Lt-Colonel I.A.
Ag.Civil Commissioner in Mesopotamia.

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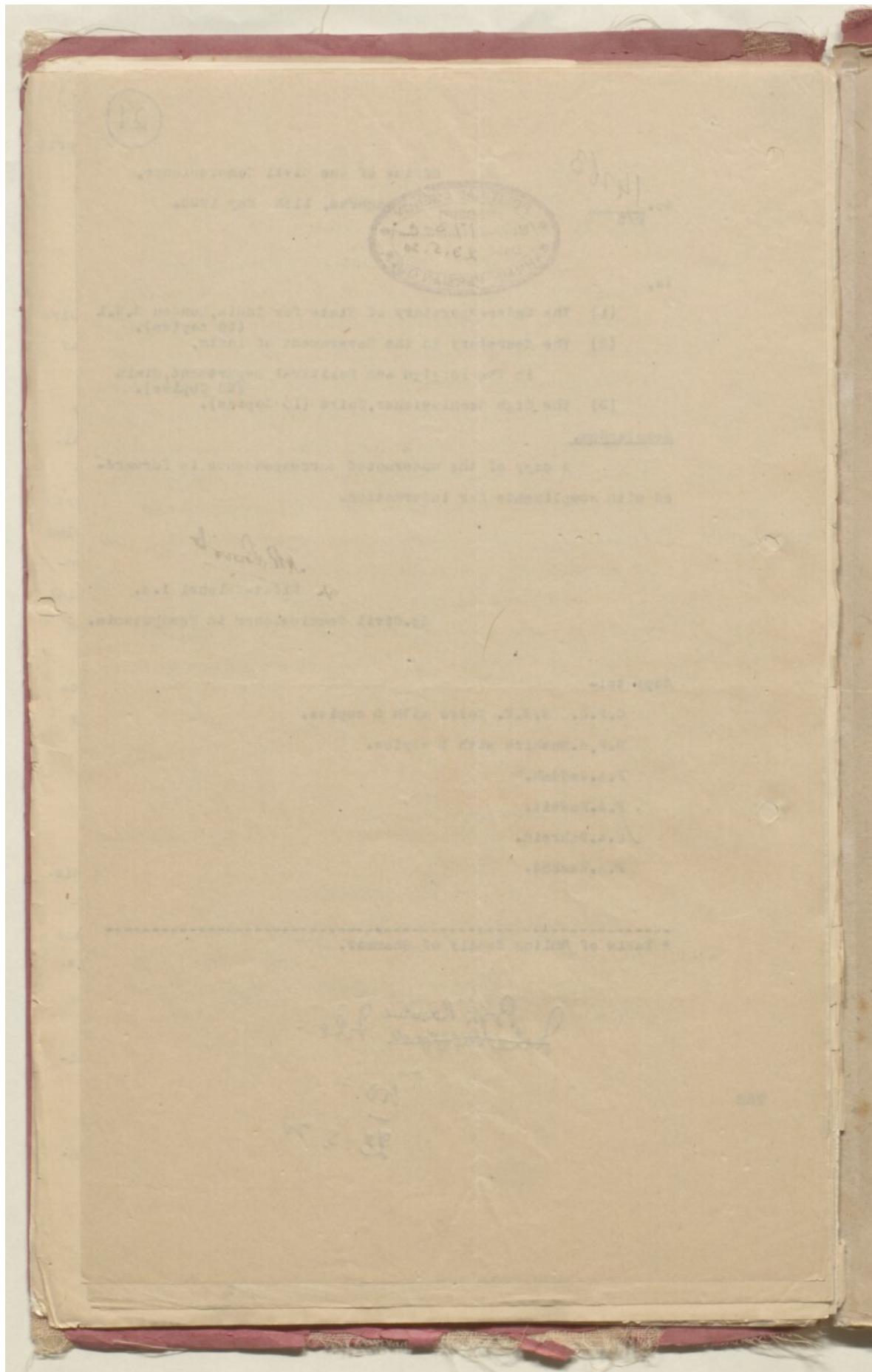
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P.A. Kuwait.
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* Table of Ruling family of Shammar.

*Ibn Rashid File -
Intelligence*

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23.5.20

F.R.S.





Annexure to General Circular, dated 5th May, 1920.

(FROM LORIMER'S PERSIAN GULF GAZETTEER.)

TABLE OF THE RULING

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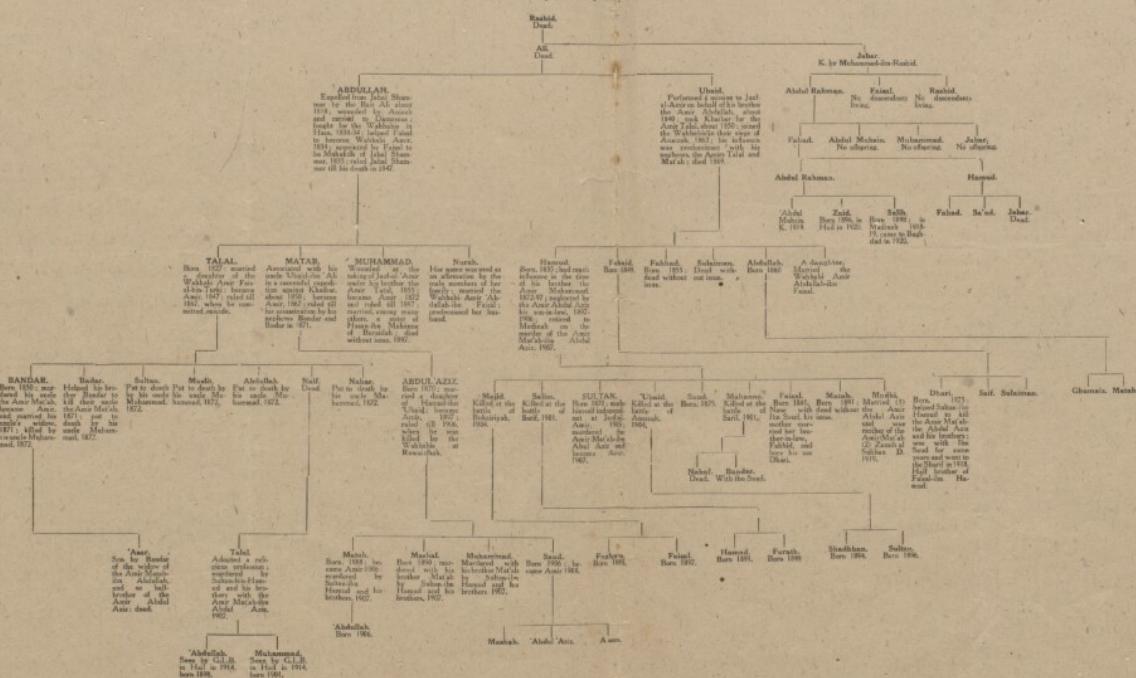
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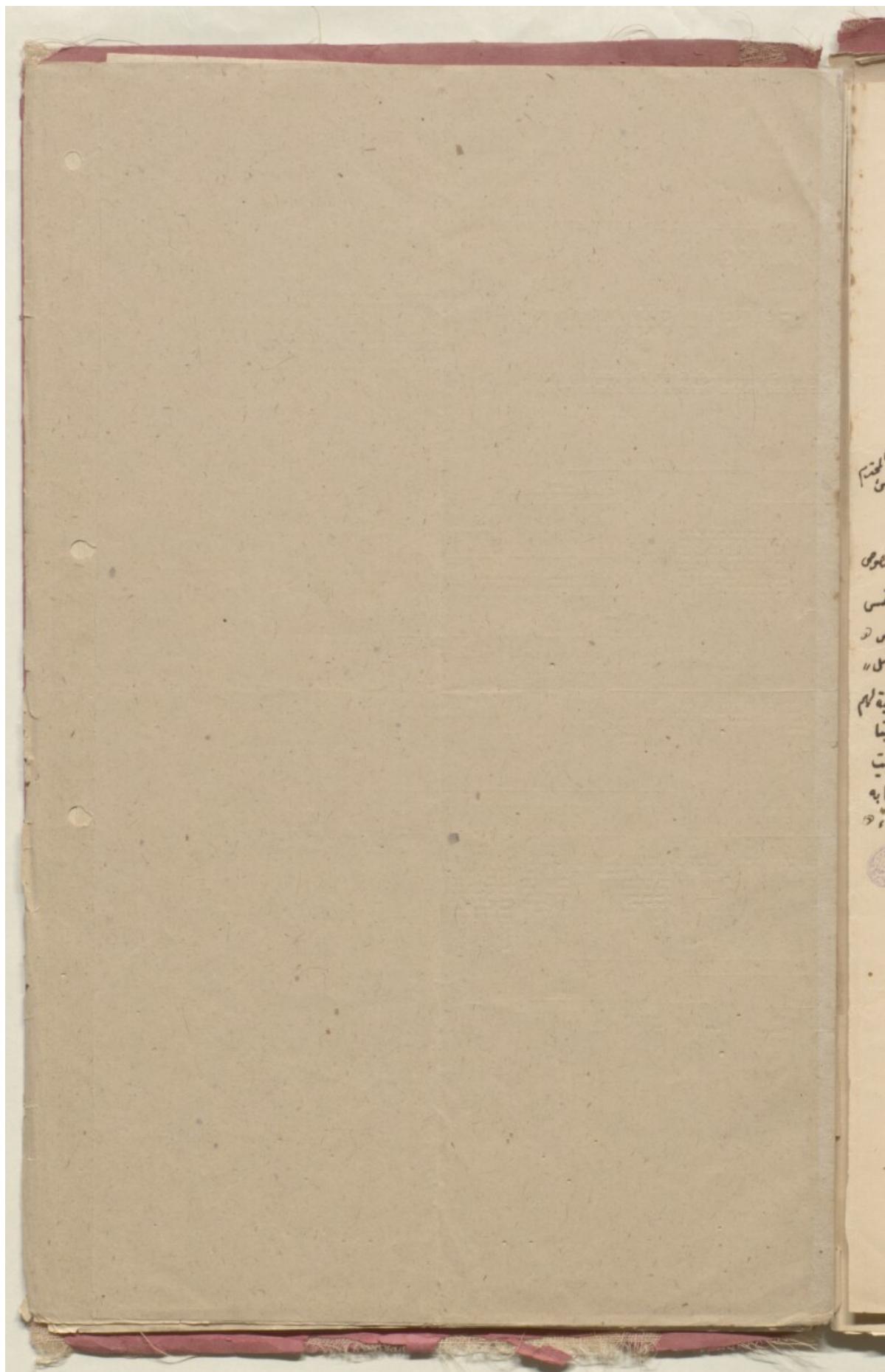
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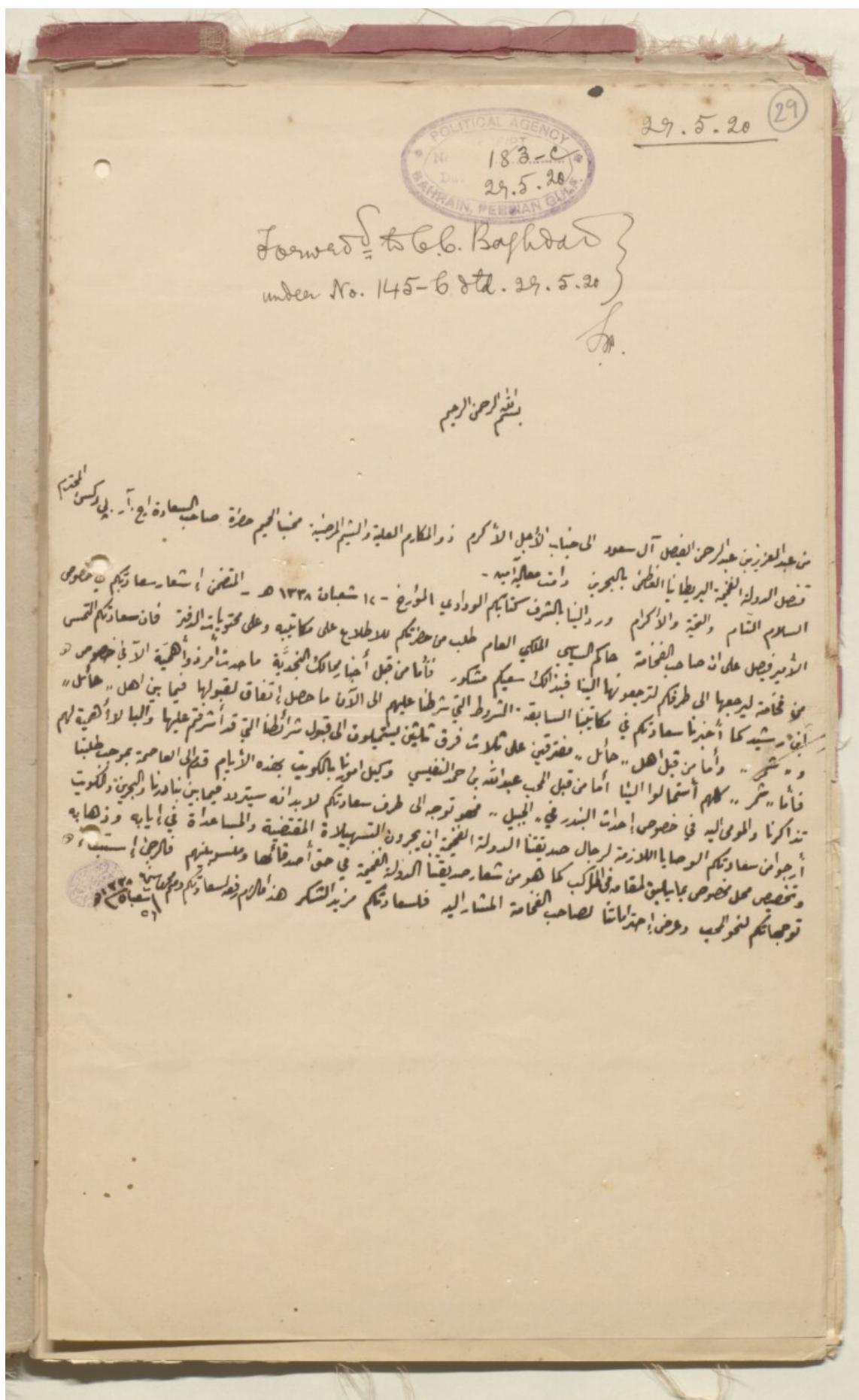
Chronological list of the Amirs of Jabal Shammar
belonging to this family.

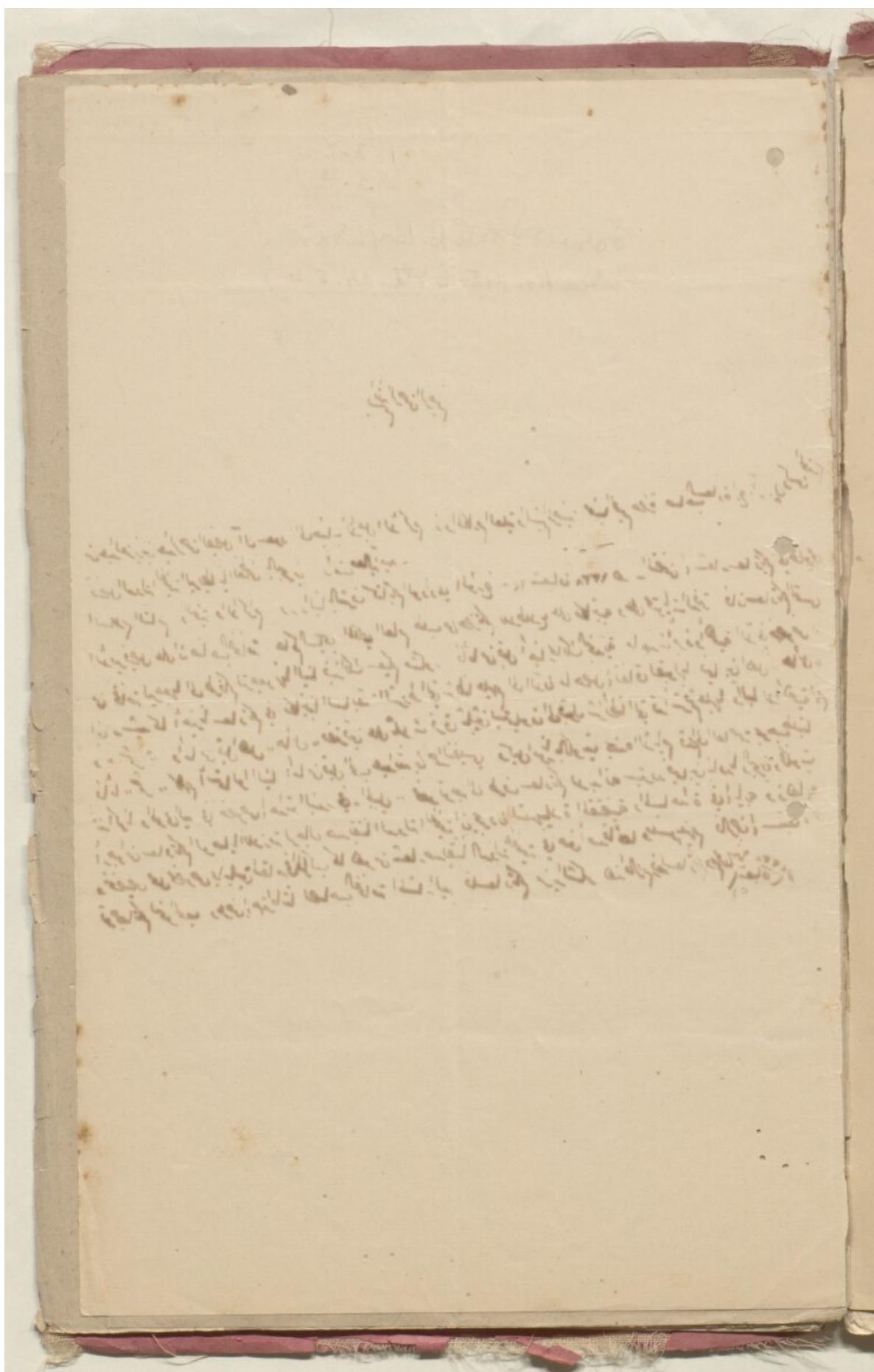
'Abdullah-bin-'Ali, 1835-47.
Talib-bin-'Abdullah, 1867-87.
Mu'ab-bin-'Abdullah, 1867-71.
Bardus-bin-'Abdullah, 1871-72.
Muhammad-bin-'Abdullah, 1872-47.
'Aaidh 'Aziz-bin-Mu'ab, 1887-1906.
Mutarib-bin-'Abdul-'Aziz, 1906-07.

Sulta-bin-Hamad, since 1997.
This family belongs to the Khalil segment of the Jaber
dynasty of the 'Abdah division of the Shammar tribe.











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Telegram

From - Political, Bahfain,

To - Givecom, Baghdad.

No. 143-C.

Dated 29th May 1920.

Letter from Bin Saud dated 16th May purport as follows.
Begins. Affairs Hail not going quite smoothly. Two thirds
townspeople are in favour of conditions imposed by him recently
treaty, remaining third are opposed. Shammar Bedeum entirely
with him. Abdullah al Nafisi Bin Saud's Kuwait agent recently
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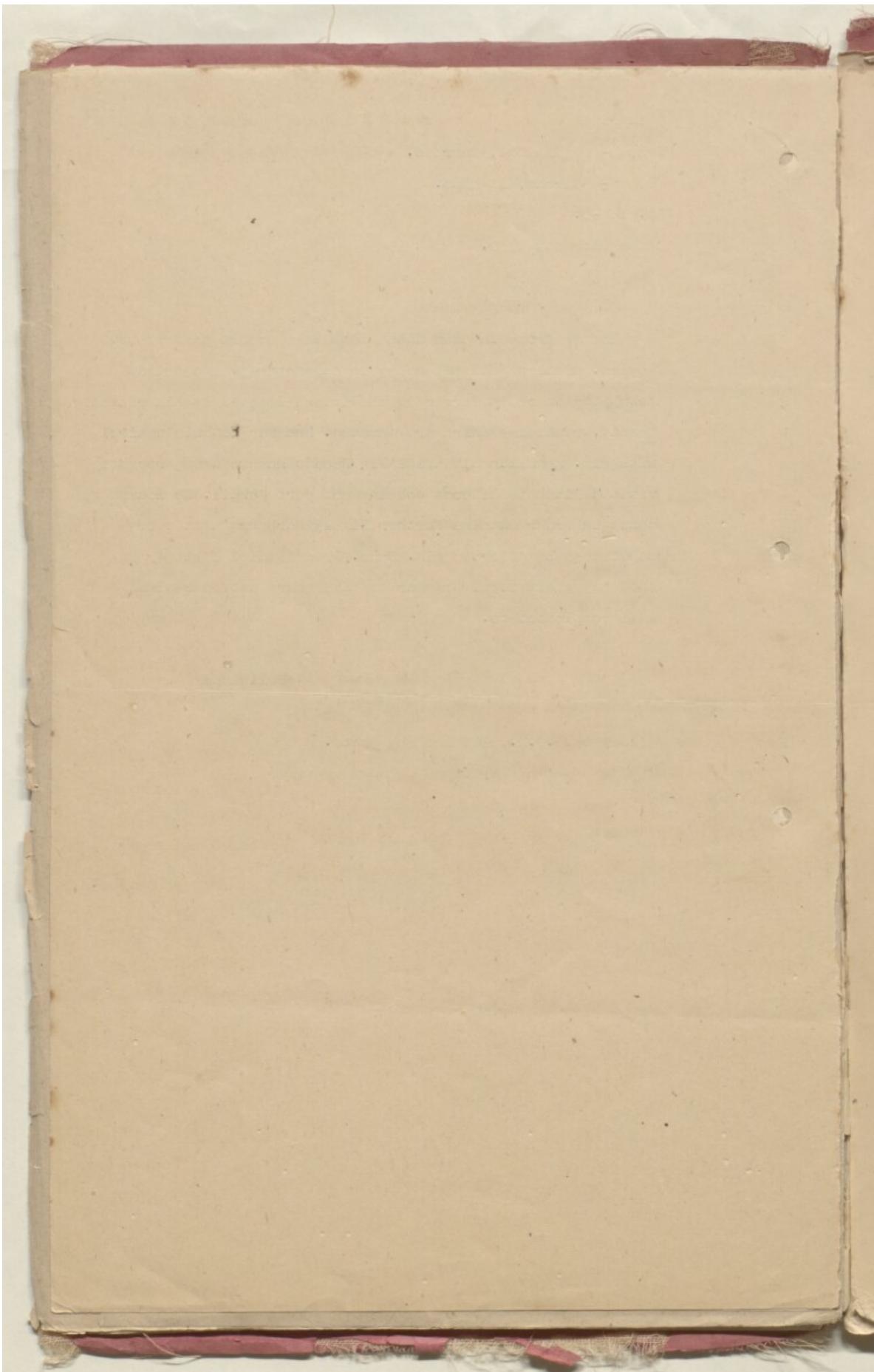
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'E 12 Ibn Rashid' [30v] (60/94)





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No. 143-O.

POLITICAL AGENCY.

Bahrain, the 29th May 1920.

To

The Civil Commissioner,

B A G H D A D.

MEMORANDUM.

In continuation of my telegram No.143-O dated 29th May 1920, I beg to forward, herewith enclosed, translation of Bin Saud's letter dated 28th Shaaban 1338 (=16th May 1920) regarding affairs at Hail for your information.

o/c

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Major, C.I.E.,

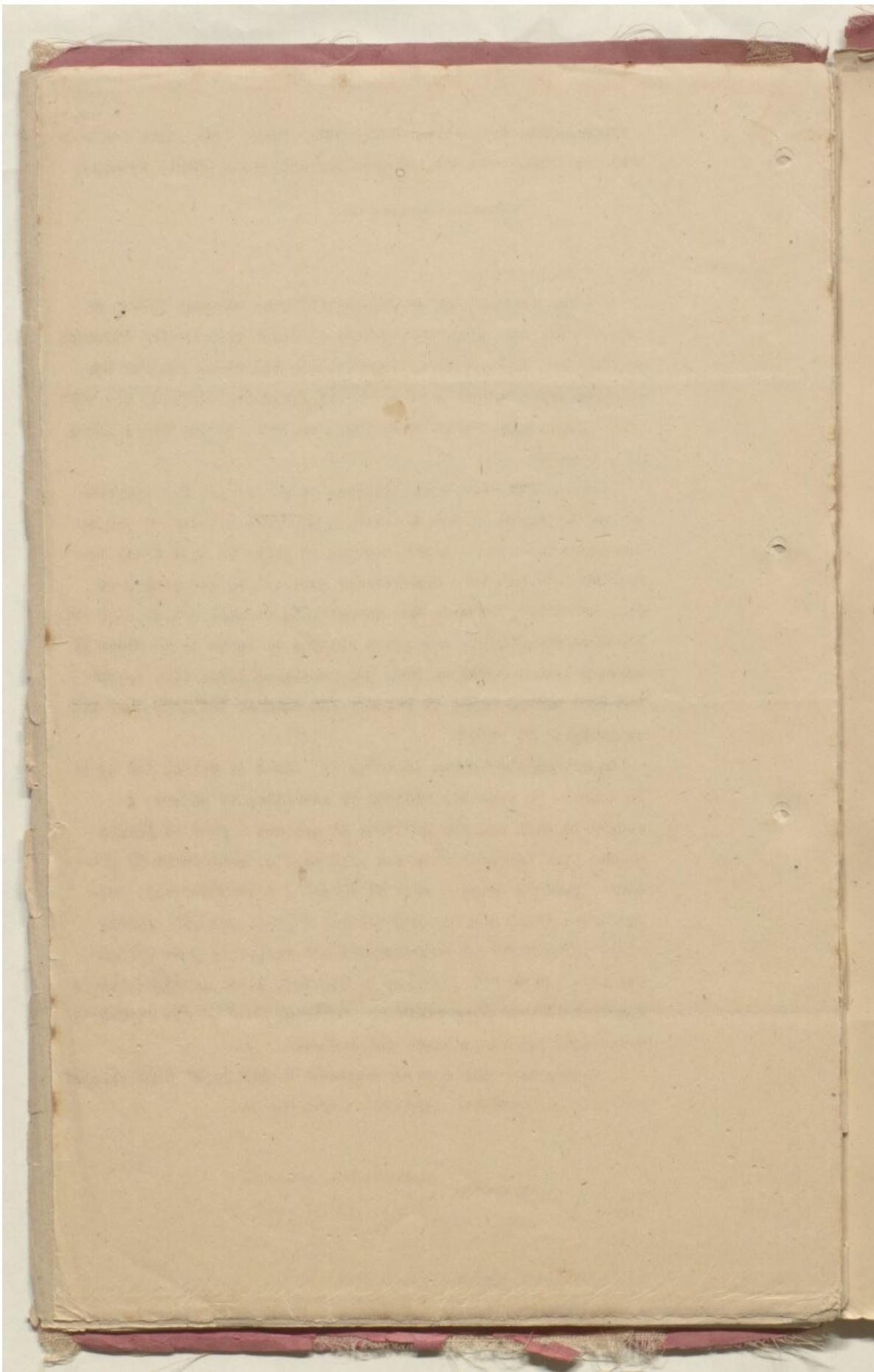
Political Agent, Bahrain.

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Copy to D.P.R., Bushire.



'E 12 Ibn Rashid' [31v] (62/94)





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Translation of a letter dated 28th Shaban 1338 (18th May recd.
29th May 1920) from Bin Saud to the Political Agent, Bahrain.

After Compliments,

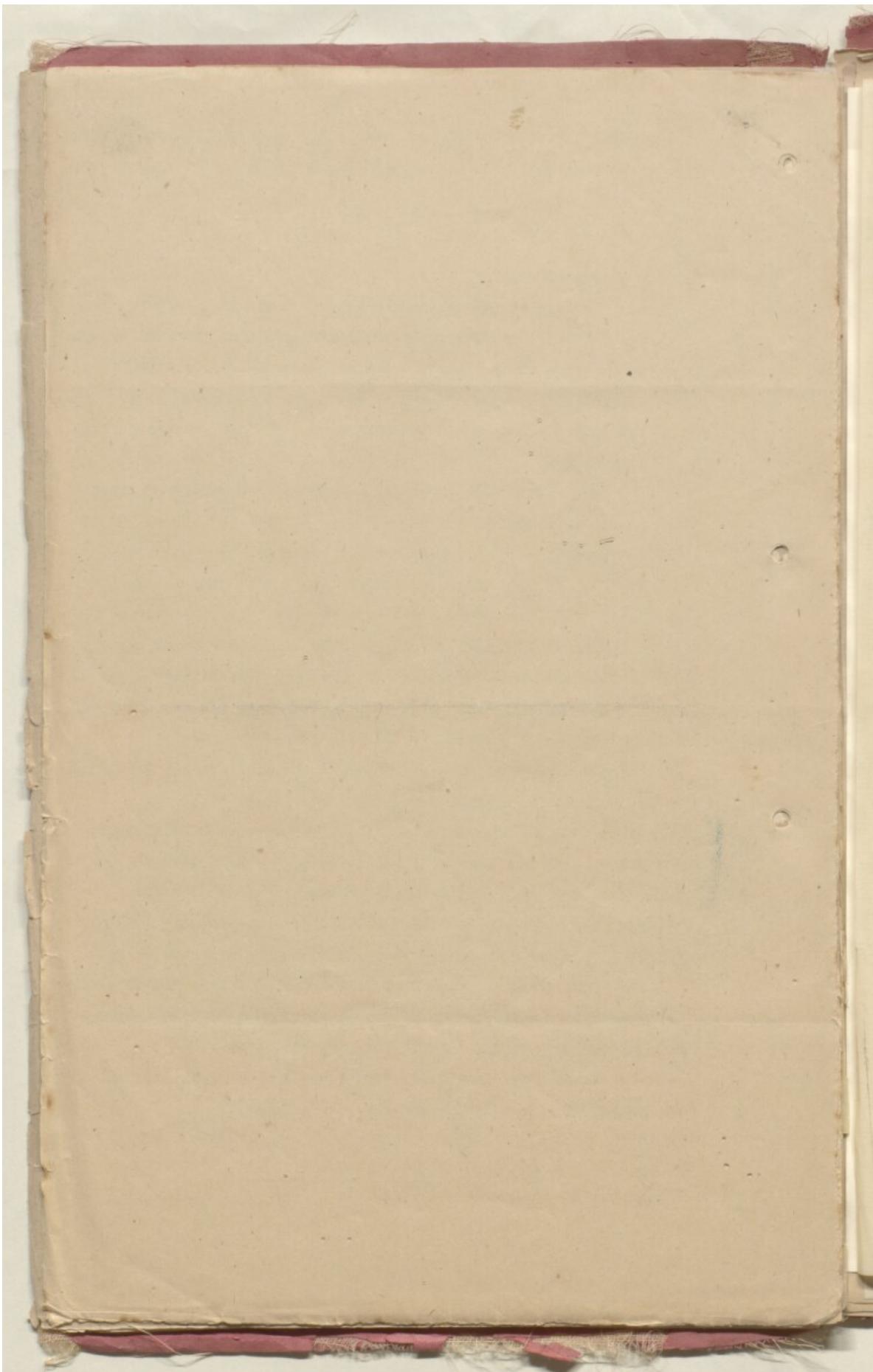
I was honoured by the receipt of your cordial letter of 18th Shaban regarding Amir Faisal in which your Honour informed me that the hon'ble Civil Commissioner had asked you for the original letters and booklet for his personal perusal, and that you asked him to return same. This was kind of you and I thank your Honour.

As regards Hejd news. Nothing of importance has occurred except in regard to Bin Raschid. I previously informed you of the conditions which I had imposed on them. To date these conditions have not been unanimously accepted by the people of Hail and Jebal Shammar. The inhabitants of Hail are divided into three parties, 4/3rd are quite willing to agree to my terms as already communicated to you, the remaining 1/3rd (are opposed) but dont matter much: As regards the Shammar (nomads) they are entirely in my favour.

Regarding our friend Abdullah bin Nasser al Nafisi our agent in Kuwait. He recently visited me according to orders. I discussed with him the question of opening a port at Jubail. He has left for your side and will make an inspection of our coast harbours (with a view to select a suitable port). He will also visit Bahrain and Kuwait. I trust you will kindly grant him letters of introduction and necessary good offices and help him in his journeys to and fro; granting him suitable accommodation on ship board as is always done by His Majesty's Government for her friends and servants.

Hoping you will send my respects to the Civil Commissioner and with my thanks to yourself. Usual Ending.

Yours





CONFIDENTIAL.

POLITICAL AGENCEY.

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No. 163-0.

Bahrain, the 14th June 1920.

To
The Civil Commissioner,
BAGHDAD.

MEMORANDUM.

Intelligence.

(1) Re: Kuwait - Mutair Affair.

Shaikh Abdullah bin Isa al Khalifah, C.I.E., informs me that FAISAL al Bawish has returned to QRAIKAT (Jariyah) from Hejd. As a matter of fact Shaikh Abdullah reports that Faisal was met half way to Riadh by a messenger from Bin Saud upon which he returned:

(2). On 10th June I asked Abdul Aziz alqusaibi whether there was any possible chance of the Mutair acting against Kuwait in spite of Bin Saud's orders: He laughed at the suggestion and said such a contingency was impossible. The Mutair was one of the most loyal of Bin Saud's tribes and would never move in face of definite orders now received from Bin Saud. They will however hang on to Qraiyat.

(3). Regarding Hail news: A good many rumours are going about regarding Bin Raschid having denounced the recently ratified treaty between himself and Bin Saud. I have not yet received anything worth making a definite report about, as everything one hears here is unreliable. The most common story is that Bin Raschid's family took offence at a recent order of Bin Saud in which the latter informed Bin Raschid that their "wsjh" or "tisyar" (official safe conduct) would not be recognized in Hejd; and as a result had determined to denounce the recently made treaty.

(4). Mahomed al Saud brother of the Imam is reported to have taken a force to Qassim about 15 days ago.

Another small force under Abdullah al Saud another brother

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is said to have moved up in the direction of Kuwait as a precautionary measure. The first report is confirmed by al Qusaibi here who says Bin Saud's idea is to prevent the discontented Hail party from intriguing anywhere Qassim way, hence the demonstration.

The second report Al Qusaibi says is untrue.

(5). During the week I sent Bin Saud's two sons a small "savage" rifle a piece with 600 rounds of ammunition, also to Bin Jaloui Amir of Hassa a gold watch and to Ibn Shalhoob, Bin Saud's private secretary a gold watch. The above gifts being a small return for the hospitality shown me whilst in ^{Hafiz} ~~Muammar~~.

Warden Major, G.I.E.,

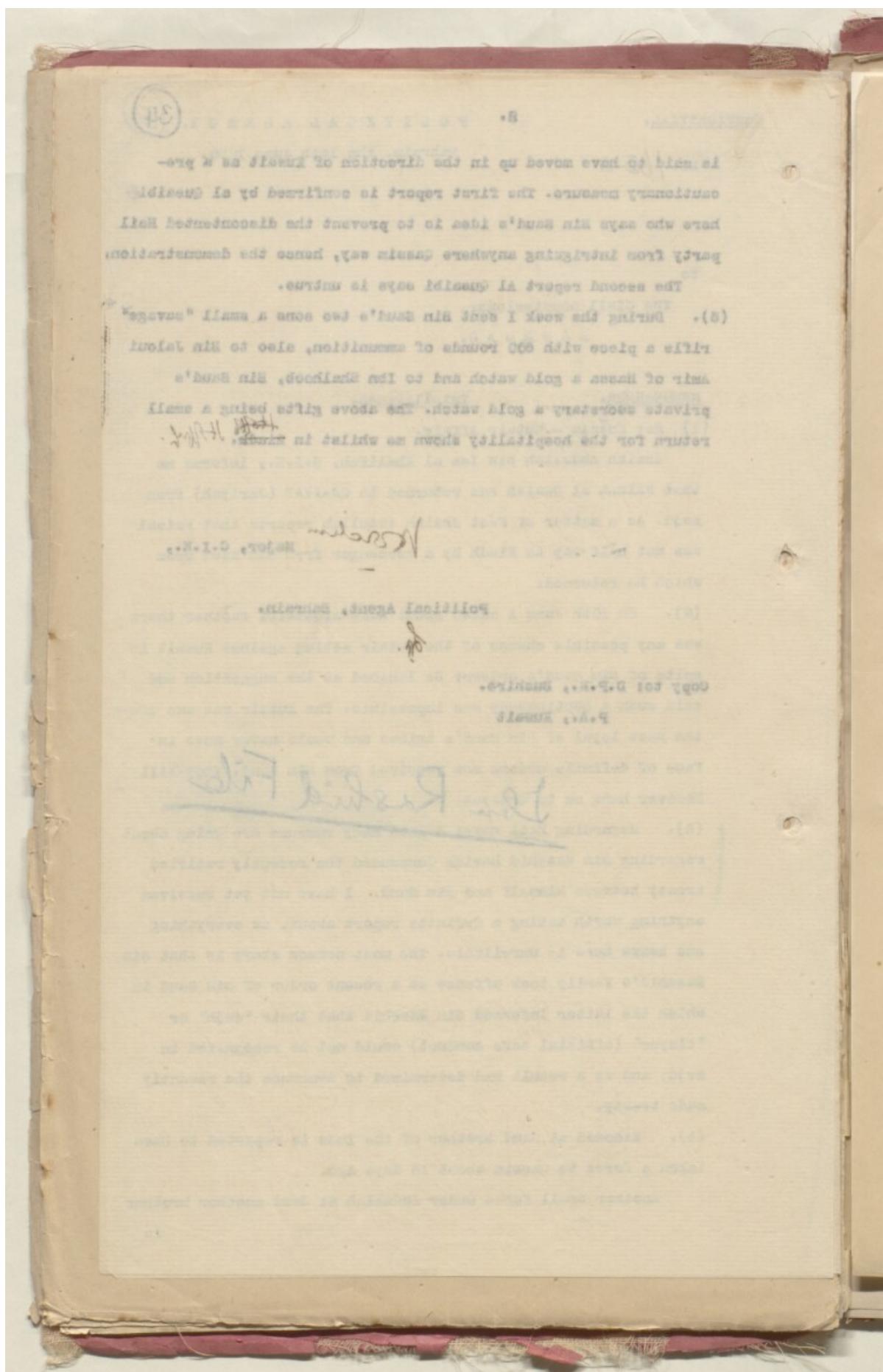
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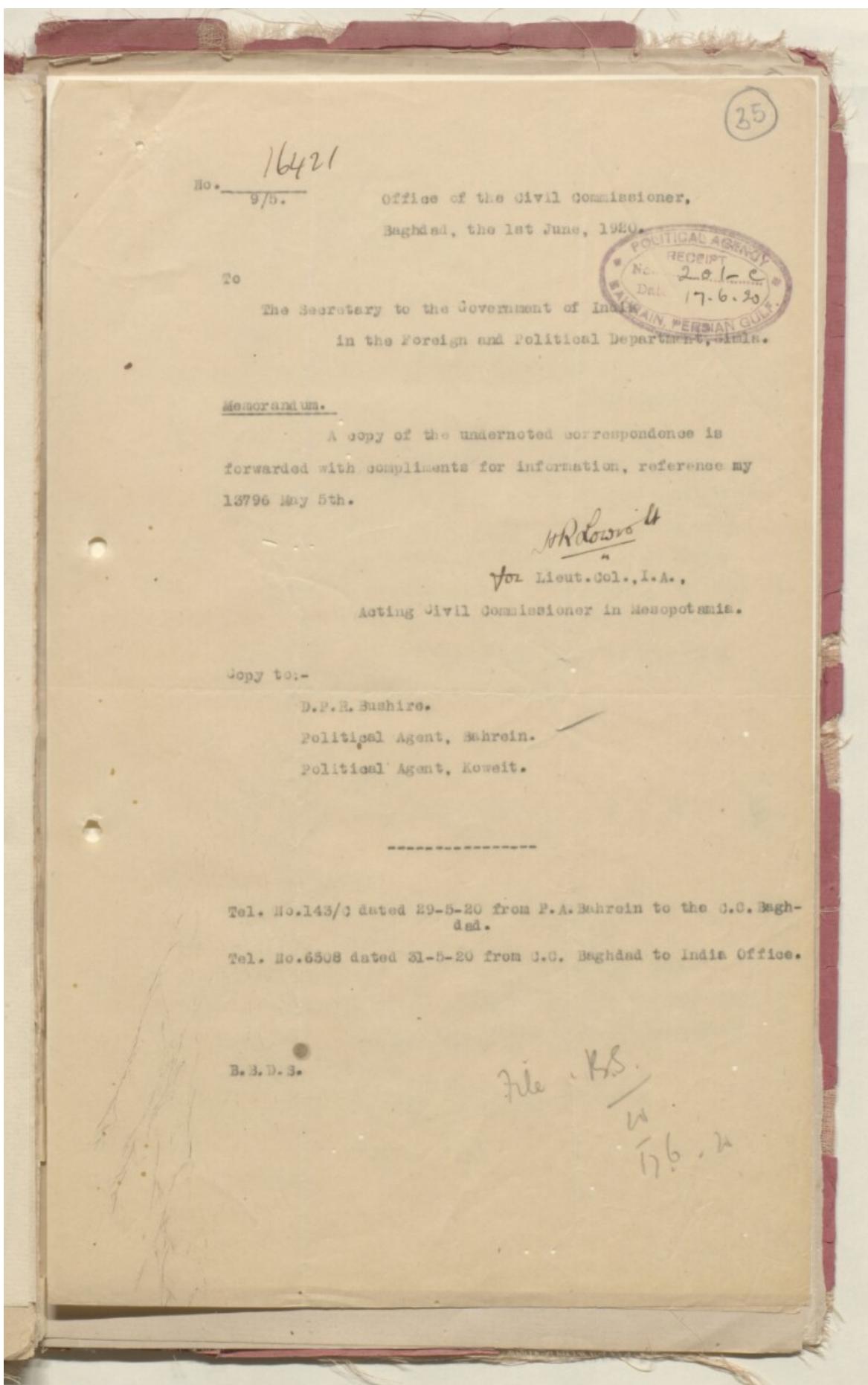
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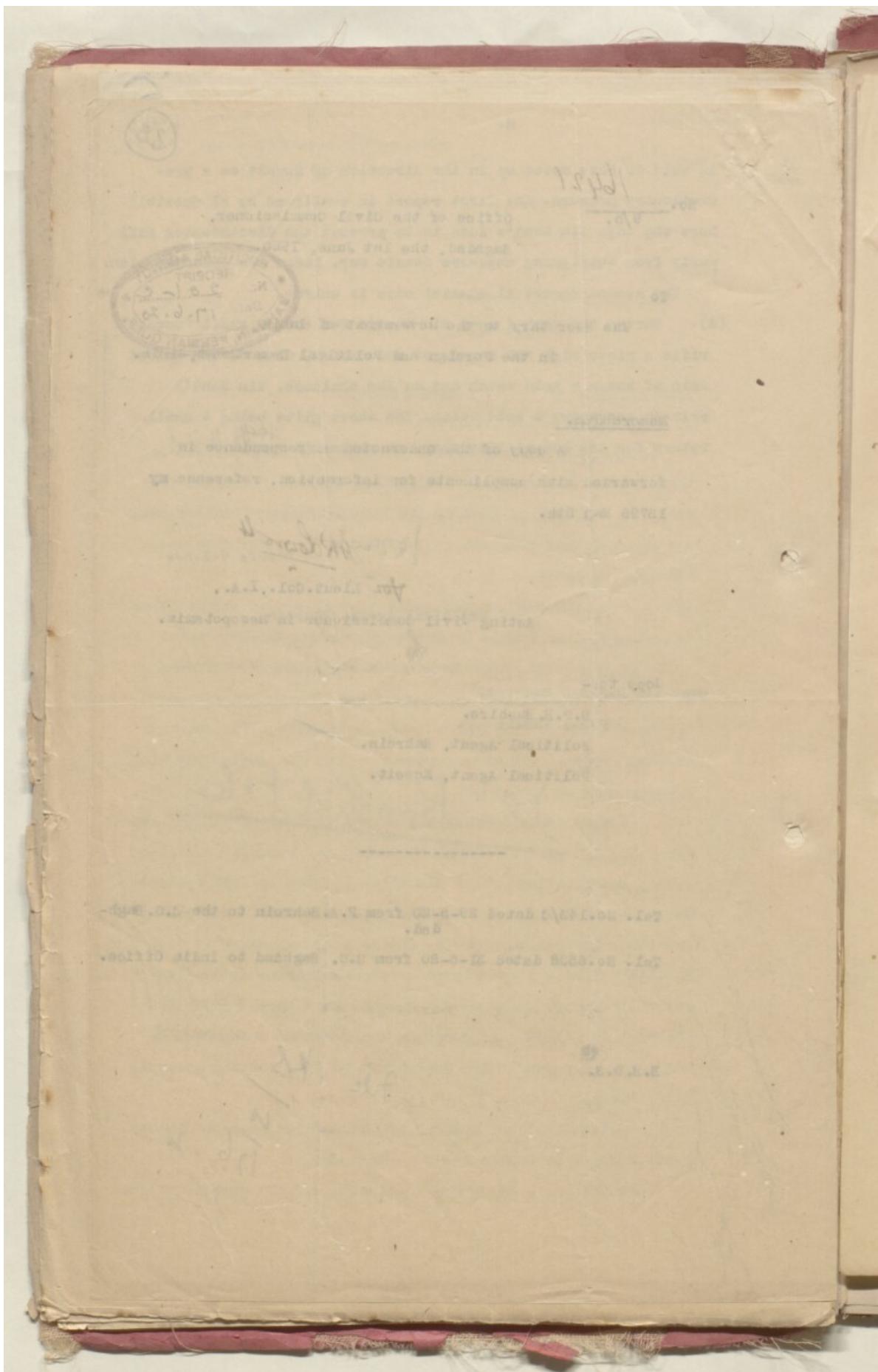
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P.A., Kuwait

Ibn Rashid File









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Telegram. Code.
From P.A. Bahrain
To C.C. Baghdad
No.143/9
dated and recd. 29-5-20.

Letter from Bin Saud dated 16th May, purport as follows:- Begins. Affairs Hail not going quite smoothly, two-thirds townspeople are in favour of conditions imposed by his recent treaty remaining third/opposed to them. Shummar Bedouin entirely with him. Abdullah al Nafise Bin Saud's Kuwait Agent recently visited Aliahd to discuss question of new Port at Jubail. He leaves for coast in order to examine further likely harbours. Asks every assistance be afforded him. Ends. From Gsaibi gather Bin Saud may visit Jebel Shammal to take sharp action against Hail recalcitrants.

TELEGRAM.R.

From C.C. Baghdad.
To India Office, repeated Cairo.
No.6508.

Dated 21-5-20.

My telegram of 7th May 5500. Bin Saud writes May 16th
Begins. Affairs x x
x x x him. Ends.

Political Agent Bahrain gathers that Bin Saud may visit Jebel Shammal to take action against malcontent party in Hail.

Addressed India Office, repeated Cairo.

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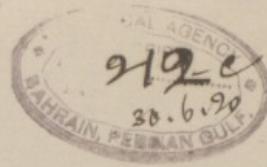




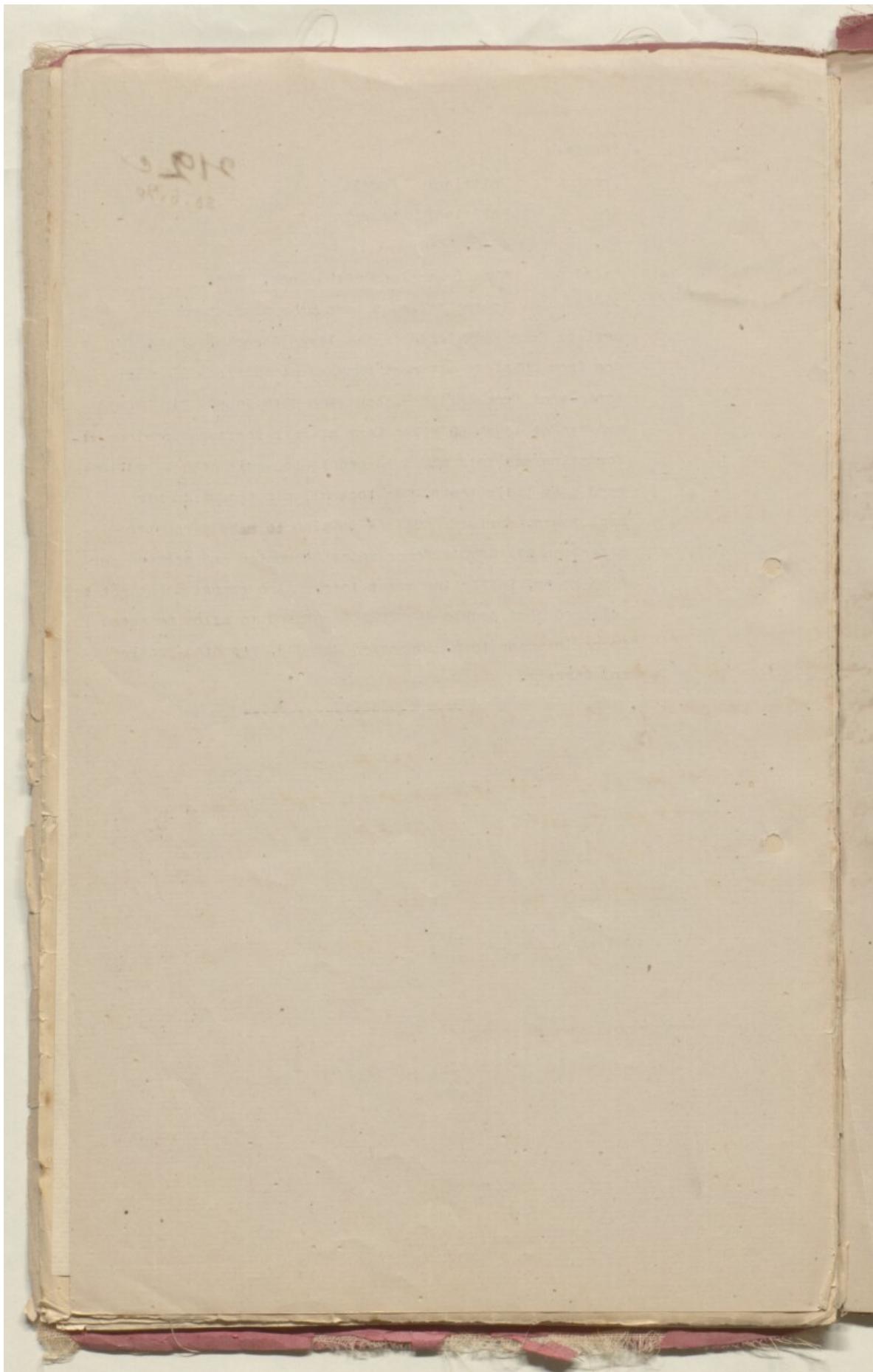
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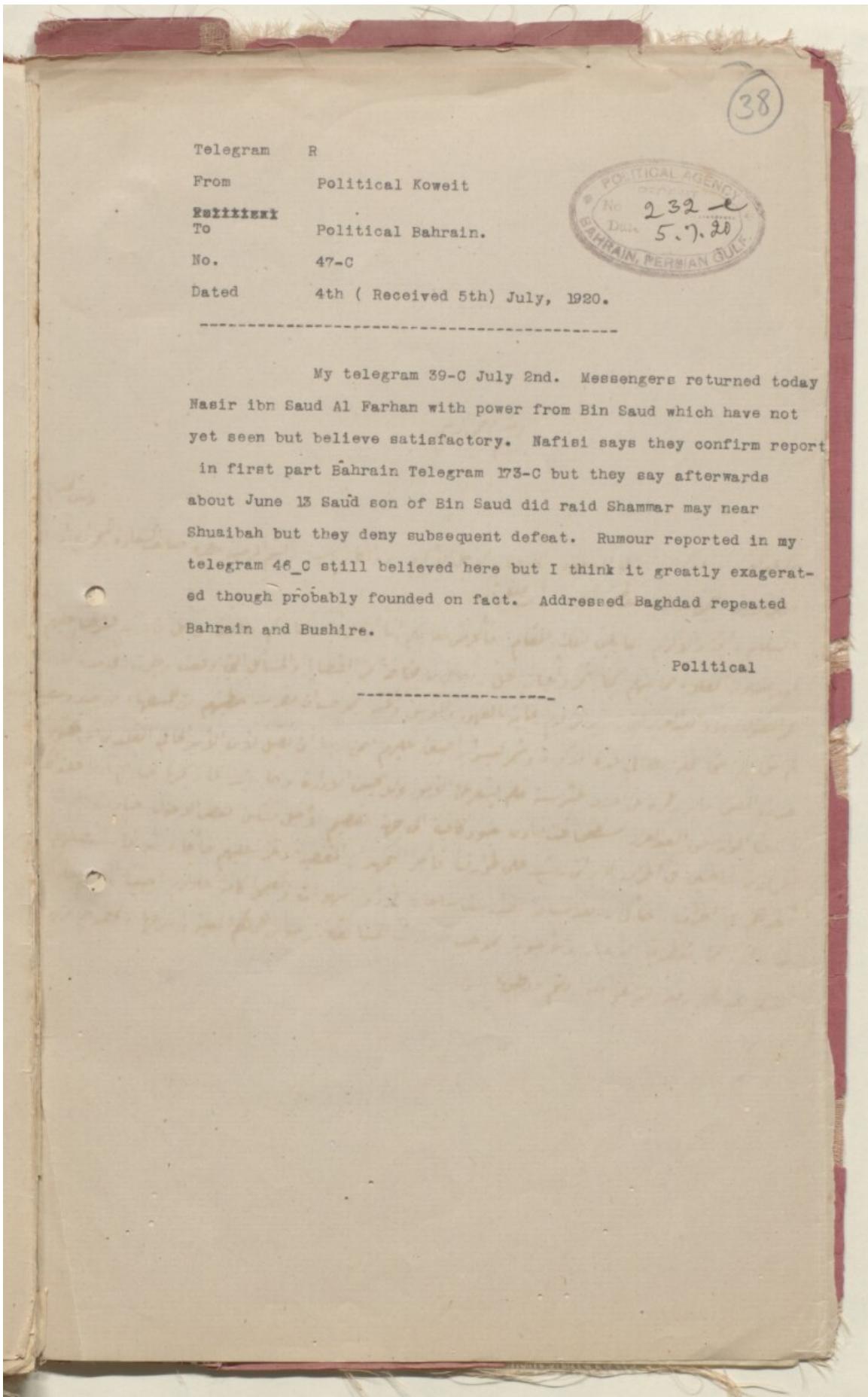
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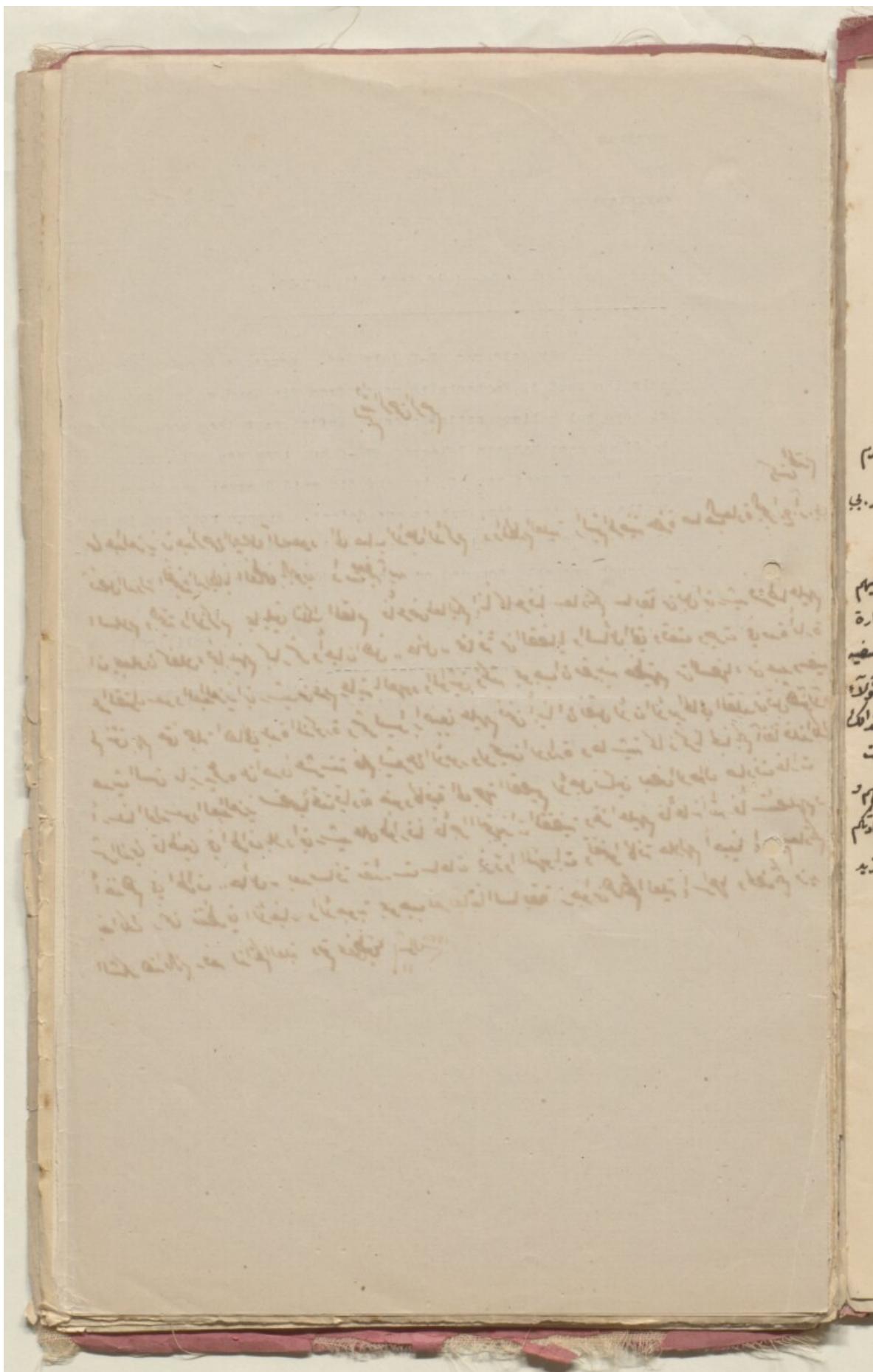
Dated 27th (Received 28th) June, 1920.



Report believed here on authority of men arrived from IBN TWALAH that a large force of BIN SAUD'S men from QUSAIBAH attacked SHAMMAR at SHUAIBAH 75 miles North-west from QUSAIBAH about the 18th June. Bin Rashid who was at Adwah 20 miles East of Hail received previous information and told SHUAIBAH people to await attack but to send away their tents. He took all his troops to his assistance, arrived SHUAIBAH in time to make a counter attack on BIN SAUD'S force which he routed and pursued for nine hours, inflicting great loss. Also reported but not believed that people of BURADA refused to allow defeated force to enter town. Addressed Baghdad, repeated Bushire and Bahrain.









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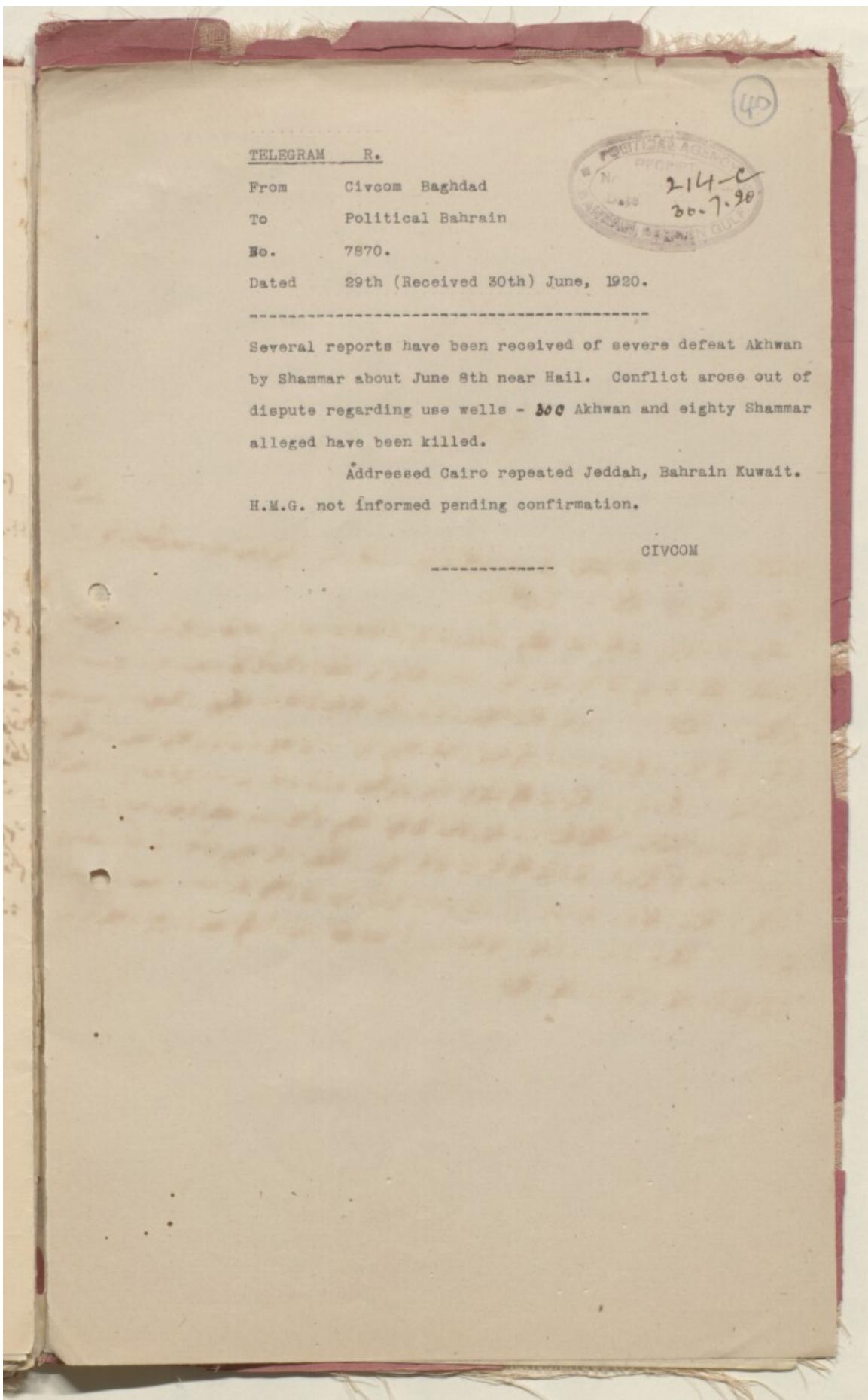
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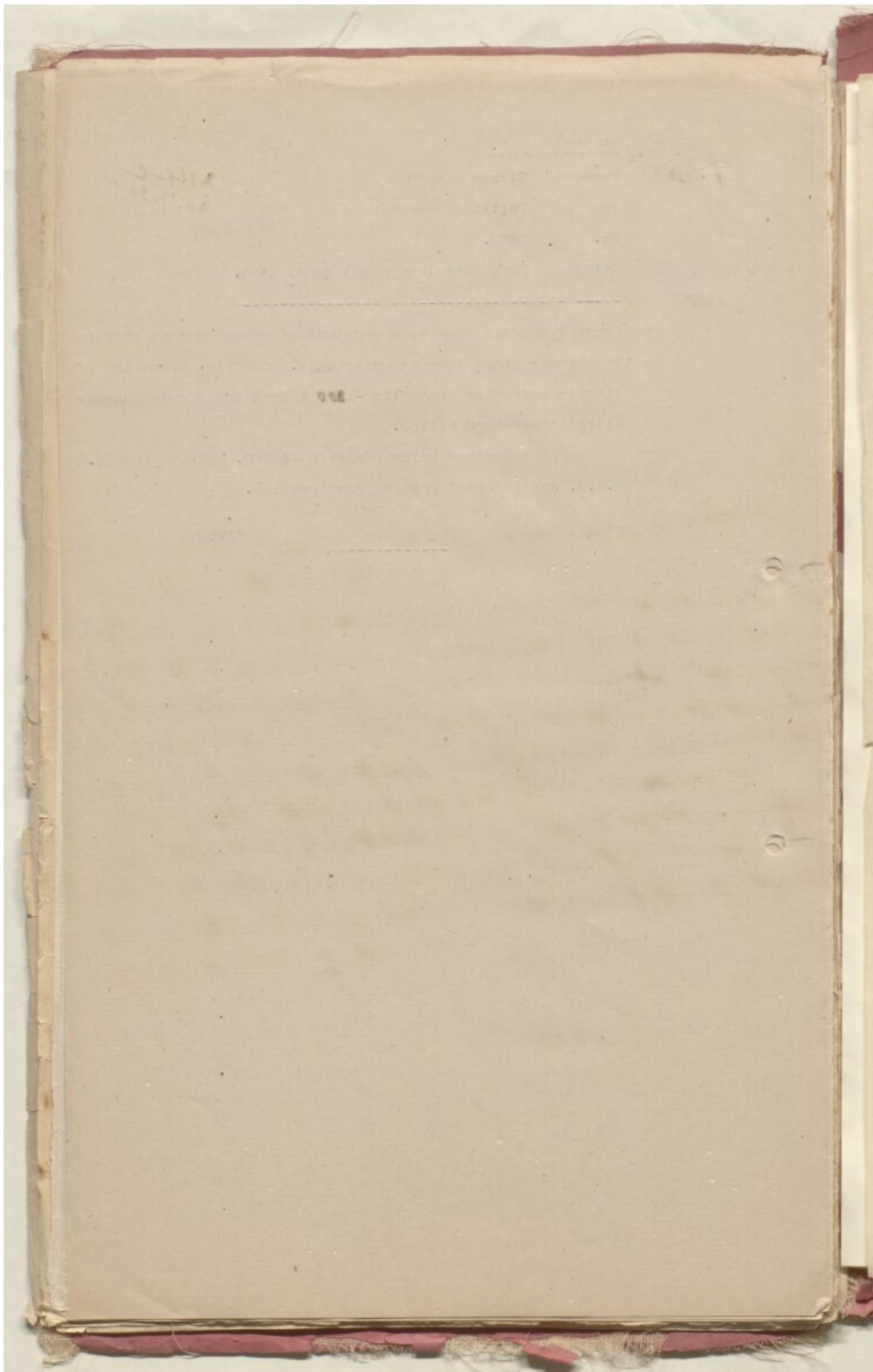
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Telegram

From - Political, Bahrain.

To - Civeem, Bahgdad

- Political Kuwait

Repeated (by post) Political, Bushire.

No. 173.C

Dated 1st July 1920.

Your 7870. Private letter to Shaikh of Bahrain from Hejd source stated reliable gives following version recent reports Shammar Akhwan affair. Begins.

About 10th June Ibn Rabian Shaikh Ataibah with Akhwan attacked section HARB and HUTAIM tribes at BAITHA NATHAEL sixty miles west HAIL captured all their camels losses both sides approximately 500. Later Al Harb counterattacked camp Shammar who recently converted to Akhwanism at Guara 20 miles west QUSAIBA. Harb raid successful Shammar Akhwan practically wiped out. Ends.

Above confirmed by mainland Bedouin sources. Bin Saud writing me from Riath on 24th June re: Kuwait affair makes no mention anything unusual. Present is regular season for Bedouin to Ghazzu. My opinion little importance need be attached stories fighting which are obviously only ordinary raids. According Qusaibi relations between Bin Saud and Bin Raschid continue friendly.

Addressed Baghdad repeated Kuwait, Bushire by post.

Political





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TELEGRAM GOODN.

FROM Political, Bahrain.

To RASIKKI Civcom, Baghdad.

Political, Kuwait,

** Bushire.

No. 187-C.

Dated 7th July 1920.

Letter from Bin Saud dated 28th June
complains of youthfulness Bin Raschid and his inability
restrain certain sections Shammar from raiding his
subjects. He had been compelled to send his son Saud
with strong force to punish raiders. Saud pursued and
and came up with them six hours from Hail and severely
handled them recovering all stolen booty. Bin
Saud sends above for information trusts also
early reply to Haj questions will be sent him.
Addressed Baghdad repeated Kuwait and Bushire.

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Bin Rashid





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Telegram (P.)
From Political, Kuwait.
To Givcom, Baghdad.
No. 68 C.
Dated 28th. July 1920.

Receipt no: 270-C.

At 5.8.20

Dhari Ibn Tawalah arrived in Kuwait yesterday and is the guest of Shaikh Salim. He reports the defeat of Ibn Sa'ud's forces by the Shammar in Qasim about a month ago, of which I had previously heard vague rumours. Sa'ud, Ibn Sa'ud's son, fled to Riyadh. Qasim is very anti-Ikhwan.

A messenger from Hufuf reports great discontent in Hasa. Even Ibn Jaluwi blames Ibn Sa'ud for unduly favouring the Ikhwan. The Shaikh has imprisoned the man as an imposter, and promised him a reward if the story proves to be true, and punishment if it proves to be false.

Addressed Baghdad. Sent by post to Bushire and Bahrain.

Political Agency, Kuwait.

28th. July 1920.

The Deputy Political Resident, Bushire.

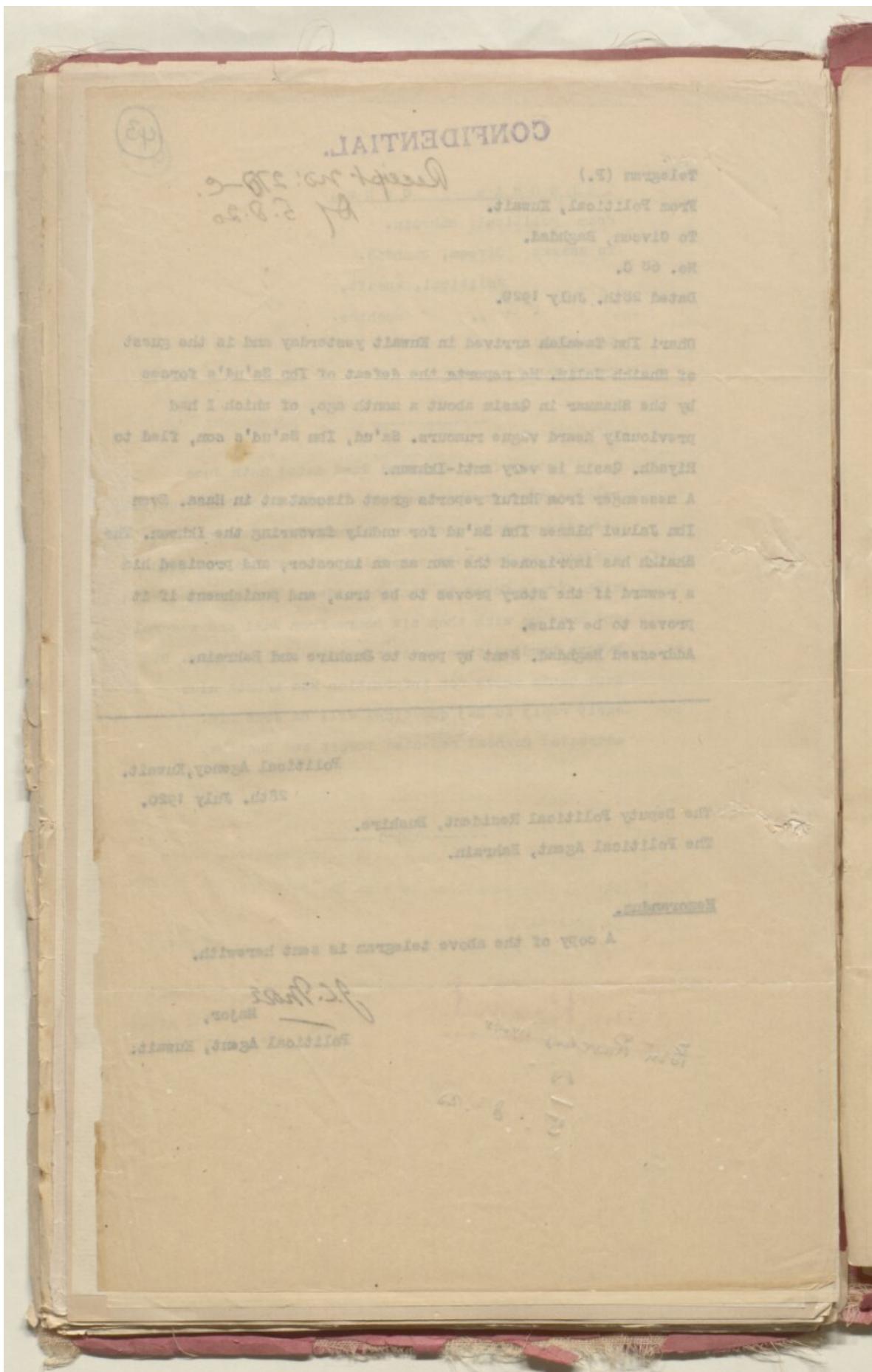
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Memorandum.

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J.C. More
Major,
Political Agent, Kuwait.

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Telegram (P.)
From Political, Kuwait.
To Civecom, Baghdad.
No. 71-C.
Dated 1st. August 1920.

Receipt no: 277-C.
Dy 5.8.20

Reference my telegram No. 68-C, Paragraph I. Letters from Qasim dated 16th July received here yesterday disprove the report. There has not been any fighting since the affair at Shu'aibah in the middle of June, which latter is confirmed but appears to have been a smaller affair than originally reported.
Addressed to Baghdad; posted to Bushire and Bahrain.

Political Agency, Kuwait.

1st. August 1920.

The Deputy Political Resident, Bushire.
The Political Agent, Bahrain. ✓

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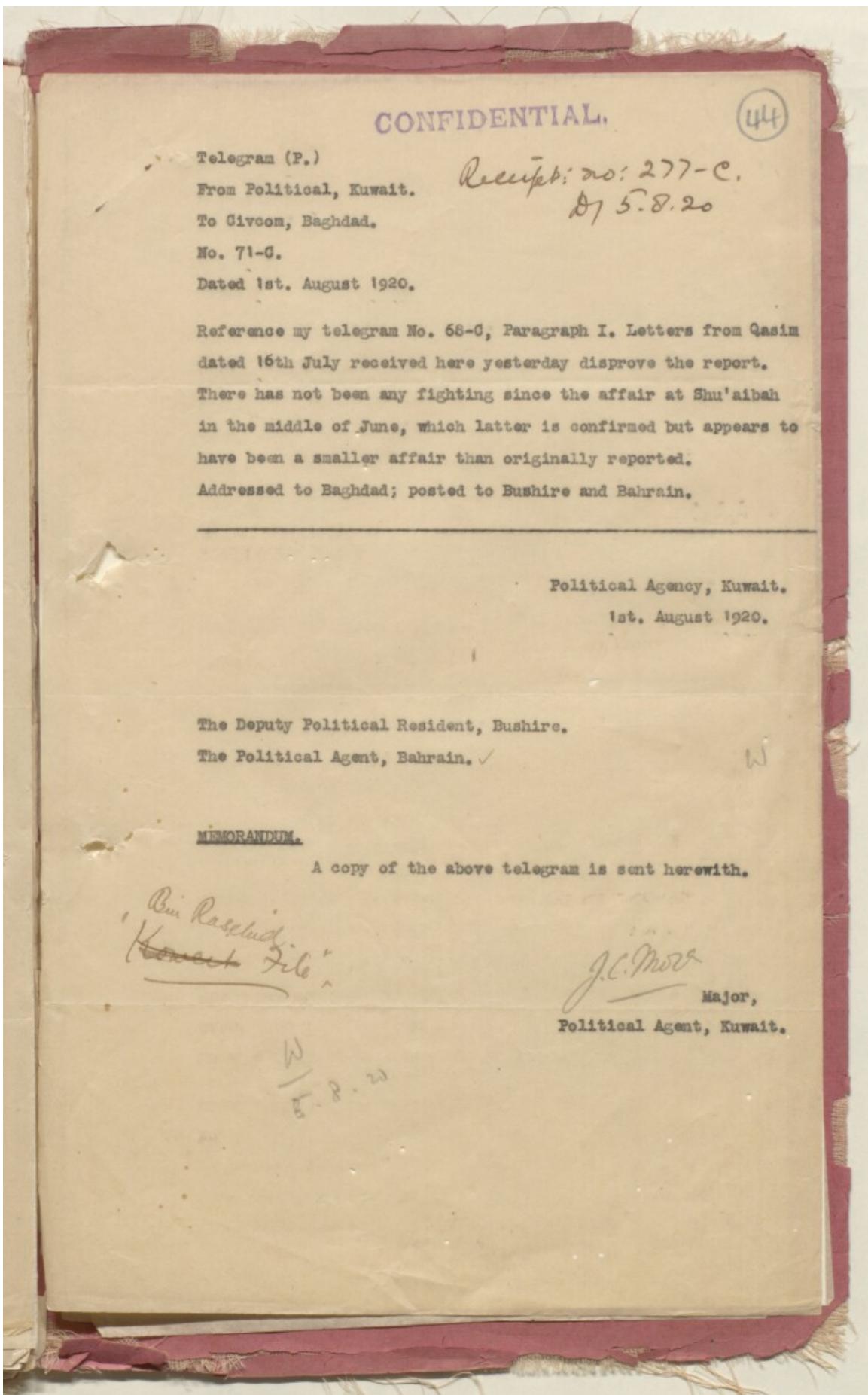
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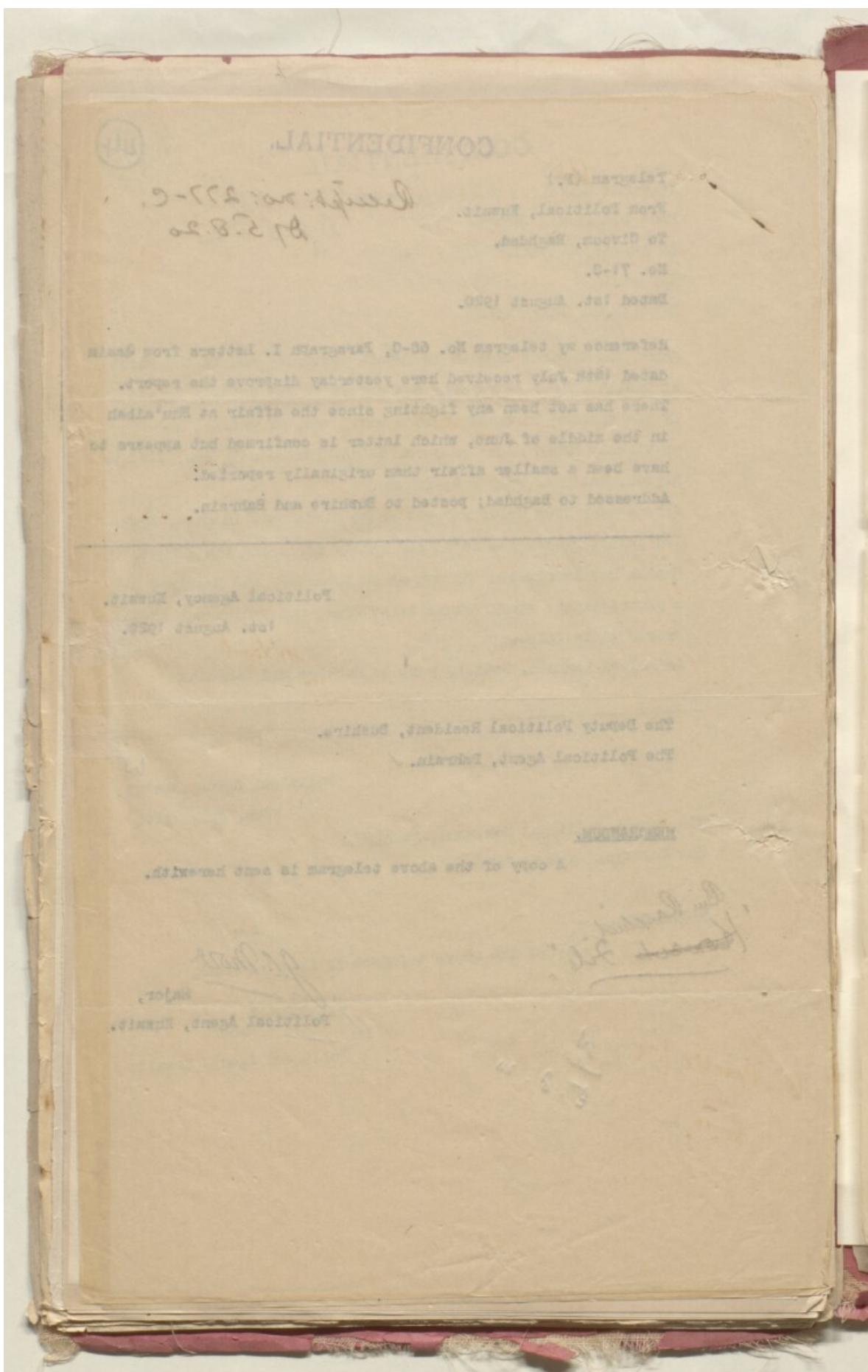
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J.C. Morris
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Political Agent, Kuwait.







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Office of the Civil Commissioner
Baghdad, the 18th September 1920.

To

The Secretary to the Government of India
in the Foreign and Political Department
Simla



Memorandum.

A copy of the undernoted correspondence is forwarded with compliments for information reference my 16421 of June 1st.

W. Lewis

+ Lt. Col., I.A.

Acting Civil Commissioner in Mesopotamia.

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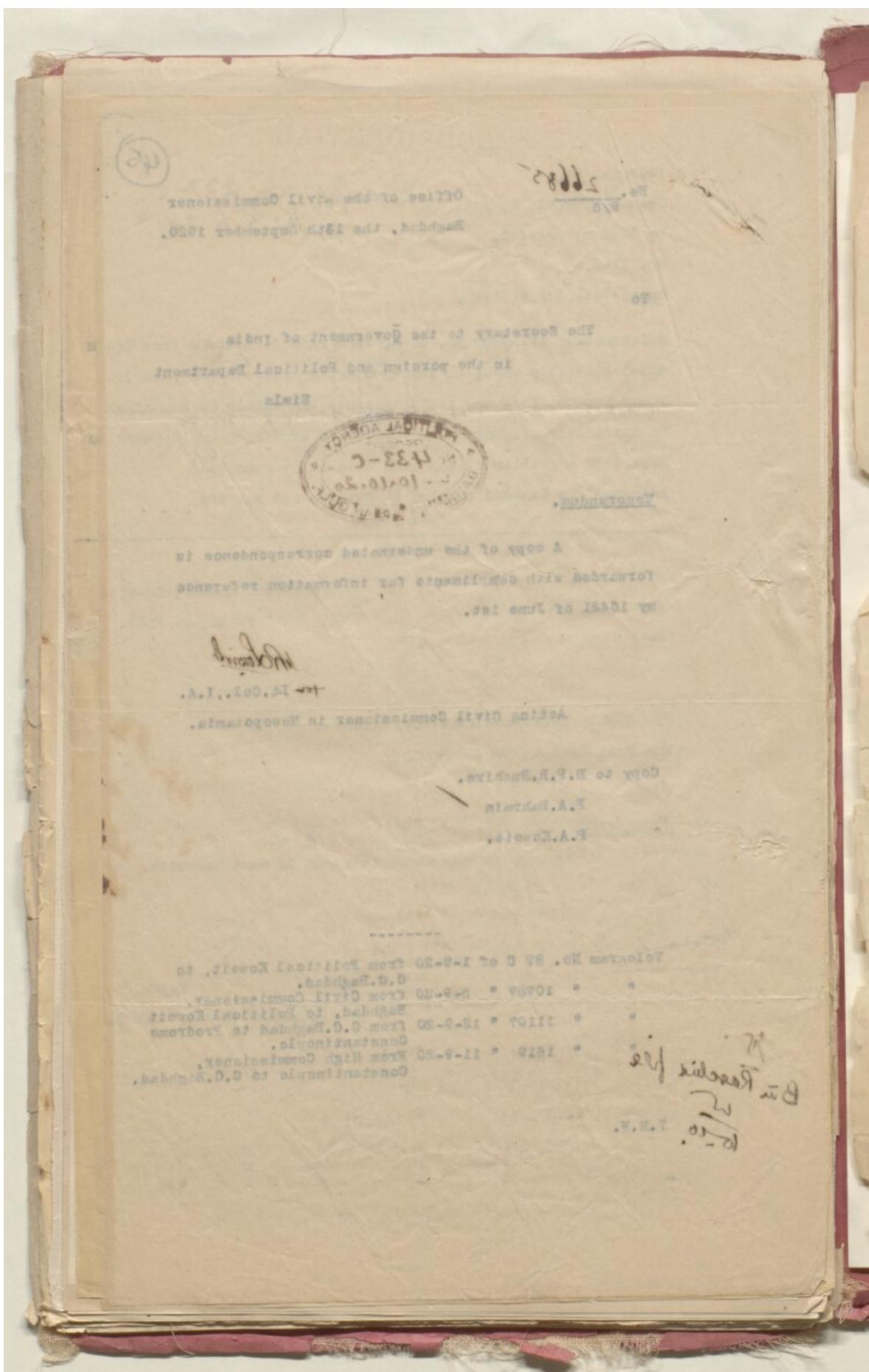
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Telegram No. 89 C of 1-9-20 from Political Kuwait, to
C.C.Baghdad.
" * 10787 * 5-9-20 from Civil Commissioner,
Baghdad, to Political Kuwait
from C.C.Baghdad to Prodrome
Constantinople.
" * 11107 * 12-9-20 from High Commissioner,
Constantinople to C.C.Baghdad.

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Telegram R.
From Political Kowet.
To Civil Commissioner, Baghdad.
No. 89.C.
Dated 1st received 5th September 1920.

Saiyid Hamzah al Gauth from Hail with letters
from Bin Rashid addressed to H.M. and to you. In
accordance with instructions he wishes to proceed to
Baghdad personally to you. Should he be given facilities?

Telegram
From Civil Commissioner, Baghdad.
To Political Kowet.
No. 10787
Dated 5th september 1920.

89.C. Hamzah al Gauth may come to Baghdad.

Telegram Cypher
From Civil Commissioner, Baghdad.
To Prodrome Constantinople, repeated India Office
and Cairo.
No. 11107.
Dated 12th September 1920.

Your telegram of 15th September. I see no
objection to Rashid Pasha's proposal.

Addressed Cple. repeated Cairo and India Office

Telegram X
From High Commissioner, Constantinople.
To Civil Commissioner, Baghdad reptyd Egypt and
Foreign Office, London.
No. 1619
Dated 11th received 12th September 1920.

My despatch of 1st December. Reshid Pasha now asks
for permission to send two couriers named Ferid el Meni and
Abdullah el Sami to Hail via Mesopotamia. What are your
views.

Repeated Egypt 96 and Foreign Office 1009.



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