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My dear Mr. Jinnah,

On my return to Hyderabad I happened to go through the notes of interviews between you and Sir Akbar in which your promise on my behalf is recorded that Government would be given assurance regarding the future, but details in connection with the nature of assurance are not set forth, which I apprehend, may lead H.E.H. to think that we would not take any further step regarding our present demands. I ~~cannot~~ feel sure this is not the significance of your promise. Under these circumstances is it not advisable, with a view to avoiding this apprehension, to explain this point in our letter which is to be addressed to H.E.H?

The Firman dated June 16, issued after the Annual Conference, is confidentially obtained and the text of the same is given below for your information:-

" After consultation with Mr. Jinnah, Bahadur Yar Jung should tender an apology before me to the effect that despite the Firman about Mashdarans dated Rebiussani 4, 60 H, (before deciding to choose any of the two alternatives i.e., continuing to hold honours or retiring from politics) and without

surprising Government he has recently participated in the meeting of Majlis-i-Ittehadul Muslemin, so he apologises". It is just to acquaint you with the spirit of the Firman.

The following is the text of the Arzdasht, for your information, that the Council submitted to H.E.H. after our Annual Conference:-

" The Executive Council had the honour of listening to the Demi Official letters of Your Exalted Highness's Feshi during its session held on Thir 28, 1350F. After discussing from every point of view, the attitude and speeches of Bahadur Yar Jung the Council unanimously holds the opinion that he in spite of being aware of the Royal Orders regarding the Maashdarens, presided over a political meeting and delivered political speeches and as such his Maash, remissions, honour and Zamadarship have to be confiscated. So that this may be a lesson for others and none might venture to defy the Royal Orders. H.E.H. has graciously been pleased to issue order through the D.O. letter referred to above to call an explanation from Bahadur Yar Jung. In this connection, with reference to Section 6 of the Rules & Regulations of Maashdarens the Council respectfully begs to submit that it is generally during the inquiry that an explanation is called for, but the case under question needs no further inquiry because Bahadur Yar Jung has presided over the deliberations of a political meeting, in which he delivered speeches and that he has deliberately defied the orders.

The Council respectfully begs to submit also that

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any consultation with Mr. Jinnah in the matter of confiscation is not required because Bahadur Yar Jung's defiance is quite obvious and no other offence can be more serious than this."

It is reliably known to me that the file of the case, in connection of which you intend to come here, is not yet printed and hence it is not likely that the case may be fixed for hearing on July 8, 1941.

Please convey my and Begum Bahadur Yar Jung's salam to Miss Jinnah.

With best of my regards,

Yours Sincerely,

Bahadur yar Jung

N.B!

To day, I am confidentially intimated to by the well-informed circles of the Government of India that extreme divergence of opinions existed between Mr. Gidney, Resident of Hyderabad and Sir Francis Wile, Political Advison to H. E. the Viceroy in connection with the problems of Hyderabad. This difference of opinion is said to have ^{been} communi-

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cated to the Secretary of States for India. This is also known that Sir B. Glancy, Governor of the Punjab, who no more belongs to the Political Department is still supporting Mr. Sidney, but H.E. the Viceroy is unanimous with Sir Francis.

According to rumours that are prevailing here, a change in the Cabinet of Hyderabad is expected, which ^{is} not yet approved. It is being related that Mr. Abdul Aziz would be the next President. Mehdi Yar Jung and Aqil Jung will be superseded by Kemal Yar Jung and Ali Yaver Jung. Kemal Yar Jung holds no opinion of his own, but Ali Yaver Jung would be detrimental to our cause and I find no person more harmful than Ali Yaver Jung. But this is to my entire satisfaction that "M.H. left this matter also at your decision.

I only request you to acknowledge receipt of this letter.

Bahadur

I am sending this letter with Mr. Rasheed Turabi a member of my Working Committee and well known speaker of Shia Community.