

British Intelligence on Afghanistan and its Frontiers, c. 1888-1946

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British Intelligence on Afghanistan and its Frontiers c. 1900-1950

INTRODUCTION

The defence of the North-West Frontier of British India and the status of Afghanistan in the face of real or imagined Russian threats were dominant themes in the political and military strategies of British India for more than a hundred years, beginning with the First Afghan War intervention of 1838-42, when the British frontier had not actually reached Afghanistan.

Strategic planning and policy formulation required information – intelligence on the terrain, communications, resources, internal politics, tribal groupings, rivalries, and personalities – to provide both ‘background’ for political relations and practical ‘know-how’ for possible military operations.

Before 1922 there was no direct Government of India diplomatic or political representation inside Afghanistan, apart from disastrous attempts to station Residents at Kabul in 1838-42 and 1878-80, while the government in London did not consider Afghanistan to be a nation of a status requiring a diplomatic mission. Between 1882 and 1919, however, a succession of Indian Muslim Agents were posted to Kabul from India, and after the Third Afghan War of 1919-21 full diplomatic relations were finally established. The British Ministers in Kabul up to 1949 were members of the Indian Political Service but were appointed by the Foreign Office in London.

Early information gathering was both patchy and dangerous, depending upon the abilities of individual travellers, often in disguise, and the occasional employment of native newswriters. Indeed, it was not until the outbreak of the Second Afghan War of 1878-80 that the Government of India began to take the whole question of intelligence more seriously.

Military Intelligence

In 1878 an Intelligence Branch was formed within the Quarter Master General’s Department at Army Headquarters, India, consisting of three officers and two assistants. Reorganisation in 1892 increased the complement to five officers and four assistants, and in 1903 the officer-in-charge was raised to Brigadier-General rank, with added responsibility for Mobilisation. The wide-ranging reforms of the Army in India Committee of 1912-13 established an Intelligence Section (M.O.3) within the Military Operations Directorate of the General Staff. The section, headed by a General Staff Officer Grade 1 reporting to a Brigadier-General Director of Military Operations, was divided into five sub-sections, four of them geographical (Afghanistan, Russian Turkestan and the North-West Frontier were sub-section N), and the fifth devoted to ‘special work of a confidential nature.’ Total staffing was fifteen officers and ten clerks.

This arrangement, with regular increases of personnel, continued until the end of British rule in 1947.

Beginning rather slowly with historically-oriented gazetteers and similar background works, the Intelligence Branch eventually issued a stream of practical handbooks, route books, military reports, tribal monographs, who's who compilations, and summaries of events. Sources were officers in the field, particularly those stationed on the North-West Frontier, and their contacts, together with clandestinely-employed local tribesmen.

All the works were classified Secret, Confidential or For Official Use Only, and were subject to strict rules of custody. It was also ordered that when a new edition of a particular work appeared all previous editions had to be destroyed. As a result these works survive in very few locations. The collection in the India Office Records at the British Library, now made available by IDC Publishers, is unique in its breadth and accessibility.

Political Intelligence

The Government of India Foreign & Political Department had a parallel intelligence interest, concentrating on Afghanistan's internal and external affairs and trans-frontier tribes and personalities. It issued its own compilations, mainly sourced by political officers serving on the North-West Frontier or in Afghanistan proper, and often overlapping the work of the military.

Of special significance, however, is the massive series of Foreign Department Printed Correspondence, totalling some 13,600 pages in 73 parts. Because it was archived in London separately from the main groupings of intelligence publications, the Printed Correspondence remains a little-known source. The series, in imitation of what had become standard practice at the Foreign Office in London, prints all incoming and outgoing correspondence and associated papers relating to Afghanistan between 1919 and 1941. Beginning as 'Third Afghan War 1919 Correspondence', the title eventually settled down to 'Afghan Series'; the pagination is frequently erratic, but within each 'part' the documents run in a continuously numbered sequence.

Provenance and historical background

The secret and confidential print reproduced in the present collection are located in two internal 'reference libraries' which were kept within the Military Department (L/MIL/17) and the Political & Secret Department (L/P&S/20) at the pre-1947 India Office in London. Items were received from India upon publication and were kept/disposed of according to the strict custody rules laid down by the originators. Exceptions are – (1) the Foreign Department Printed Correspondence, which passed through the Political & Secret Department registry and was placed on 'subject' files up to 1931 (L/P&S/10) and 'subject' collections (L/P&S/12) thereafter; and (2) a small number of items which

accumulated at the British Legation in Kabul (R/12) and which were brought to London, together with the Legation's archive, in 1965.

All the India Office departments were subsumed within the Commonwealth Relations Office (subsequently the Foreign & Commonwealth Office) after Independence in 1947. In 1982 the Foreign & Commonwealth Office transferred the administration of the India Office Library & Records to the British Library, where it now forms one part of the Library's Oriental & India Office Collections.

Organisation of the print

For the present publication the material has been arranged in nine subject groups. Groups 1-5 are in roughly chronological order. Groups 6-9 follow the sequence of 1-5 for each geographical area.

- BIA-1 Afghanistan: Gazetteers and Handbooks, 1888-1935
- BIA-2 Afghanistan: Internal and External Affairs, 1907-1941
- BIA-3 Afghanistan: Who's Who, 1914-1940
- BIA-4 Afghanistan: Military Reports, 1906-1940
- BIA-5 Afghanistan: Route Books, 1907-1941
- BIA-6 Afghanistan: Frontiers – General, and Northern Section, 1910-1946
[NWF Province, Chitral, Dir, Swat, Bajaur, Gilgit, Hazara, Mohmand, Buner]
- BIA-7 Afghanistan: Frontiers – Central Section, 1908-1941
[Khyber, Peshawar, Kabul-Kurram, Kohat]
- BIA-8 Afghanistan: Frontiers – Waziristan, 1907-1940
[North & South Waziristan, Bannu, Dera Ismail Khan, Derajat]
- BIA-9 Afghanistan: Frontiers – Baluchistan, 1910-1946

Within these groups **the following information is provided for each item:**

- fiche number,
- title, author/issuing body, publication details, pagination etc,
- OIOC reference number,
- original India Office registry reference (for Foreign Department Printed Correspondence).

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The British Library

AFGHANISTAN, BIA – 1 GAZETTEERS AND HANDBOOKS 1888-1935

Fiche 1-9

Notes on Afghanistan and part of Baluchistan, geographical, ethnographical, and historical, extracted from the writings of little known Afghan and Tajzik historians, geographers and genealogists, the histories of the Ghuris, the Turk sovereigns of the Dihli kingdom, the Mughal sovereigns of the House of Timur, and other Muhammadan chronicles, and from personal observations.

Maj Henry George Raverty, Bombay Native Infantry (ret)
London: Secretary of State for India in Council, 1888
ii,734,75p 33cm
L/P&S/20/B113/3

The contents are as follows:

Section 1 pp.1-29 'On the Baluch tribes of the Derah-jat' 11 Sep 1878

Section 2 pp.31-98 'The route from Lahor to Kabul by the Khaibar Pass' 21 Mar 1879

Section 3 pp.99-316 [Routes north of the river of Kabul as far as Badakhshan and Kashghar] 31 Dec 1880

Section 4 pp.317-542 [Routes south of the river of Kabul] 1 Mar 1883

Section 5 pp.453-701 'On the Afghanistan and its boundaries'

Index pp.703-34

Appendix pp.1-75

Reflecting a dispute between Raverty and the India Office over editorial control while the work was in progress, on p.701 there is a manuscript note by Raverty – "I have received no proof of any more of this work after this page, and here my responsibility ends."

The Appendix has a printed heading – "The following uncorrected pages are in continuation of the Fifth Section of Major Raverty's 'Notes on Afgahnistan' &c. These had been set up in type before the work was brought to a premature end. Six copies only have been printed." There is also a manuscript note by Raverty – "The following embraces three fourths of that portion of his work which Major Raverty was peremptorily informed the Secretary of State for

India had commanded should not be inserted in his work, and this led the author to relinquish it. This is the correct cause of the premature end mentioned above as far as he is himself concerned, and yet after all this very portion is here inserted."

Fiche 9-11

Gazetteer of Afghanistan.
Part I. Badakhshan. (5th edition).
General Staff, India, 1914
Simla: Printed at the Government Monotype Press, 1913
xi,157p 24cm *Secret*
L/MIL/17/14/3

Fiche 11-15

Gazetteer of Afghanistan.
Part II. Afghan Turkistan. (4th edition).
Compiled in the Division of the Chief of the Staff
Calcutta: Office of the Superintendent of Government Printing, India, 1917
[4],xxvi,348,xix p 24cm *Secret*
L/MIL/17/14/2/1

Fiche 15-18

Gazetteer of Afghanistan.
Part III. Herat. (4th edition).
Compiled in the Division of the Chief of the Staff
Calcutta: Superintendent of Government Printing, India, 1910
v,296p 24cm *Secret*
L/MIL//17/14/2/2

Fiche 18-25

Gazetteer of Afghanistan.
Part IV. Kabul. (4th edition).
Compiled in the Division of the Chief of the General Staff
Calcutta: Superintendent of Government Printing, India, 1910
4,iv,559,xiv p 24cm *Secret*
L/P&S/20/B236

Fiche 25-37

Fiche 25-28

Gazetteer of Afghanistan.
Part V. Kandahar. (4th edition).
Compiled in the Division of the Chief of the Staff
Calcutta: Superintendent of Government Printing, India, 1908
2,3,iv,288,vii-lvi p 5 tabs 24cm *Secret*
L/MIL/17/14/2/4

Fiche 28-31

Gazetteer of Afghanistan.
Part VI. Farah. (4th edition).
Compiled in the Division of the Chief of the Staff, Army Head Quarters, India
Calcutta: Superintendent of Government Printing, India, 1908
2,iv,231,x p 24cm *Secret*
L/MIL/17/14/2/5

Fiche 31-34

Handbook of Kandahar Province, 1933.
General Staff, India
Simla: Government of India Press, 1933
iv,200p 14 pl 5 maps 18cm *Secret*
with Amendment list No.1 (May 1934)
9p *Secret*
L/P&S/20/B299

Fiche 34

Notes on Ghilzai and Powindah tribes.
Lt-Col Charles Edward Bruce, CIE, CBE,
Deputy Commissioner, Dera Ismail Khan (1925)
Peshawar: NWF Province Government, 1925
34p 33cm *Confidential*
R/12/196

Fiche 34-37

Notes on nomad tribes of Eastern Afghanistan.
Capt James Arthur Robinson, Indian Army
New Delhi: [Government of India Foreign & Political Department], 1935
[1],11,202p map 33cm *Confidential*
L/P&S/20/B300

AFGHANISTAN, BIA – 2

INTERNAL AND EXTERNAL AFFAIRS 1907-1941

Fiche 38 (1)

Final report on Afghanistan by Fakir Saiyid Iftikhar-ud-Din, British Agent at Kabul, 1907-1910.

[Government of India Foreign Department]
Simla: Printed at the Government Monotype Press, 1910

[1],iii,72p 33cm *Secret*
L/MIL/17/14/15/1

Fiche 38-39 (1-2)

Final report on Afghanistan by Malik Talib Mehdi Khan, British Agent at Kabul, 1910-1913.

[Government of India Foreign Department]
Simla: Printed at the Foreign Office Press, 1914

[3],26p 33cm *Secret*
L/MIL/17/14/15/2

Fiche 39-44 (2-7)

Précis on Afghan affairs.

Lt-Col Charles Joseph Windham, Indian Army
[Government of India Foreign & Political Department]

Calcutta: Superintendent, Government Printing India, 1914

xxii,498,xx p 33cm *Confidential*
L/P&S/20/B258

Fiche 44-49 (7-12)

A précis on Afghan affairs from February 1919 to September 1927.

Compiled by Richard Roy Maconachie, Foreign and Political Department, Government of India

Simla: Government of India Press, 1928

iii,443p 4 maps 33cm *Secret*
L/P&S/20/B285

Fiche 49-53 (12-16)

Précis on Afghan affairs. Volume II. From the middle of 1927 to the end of 1936.

Compiled by Ambrose Dundas Felix Dundas, Foreign and Political Department, Government of India

New Delhi, Government of India Press, 1938

vi,358p 4 maps 33cm *Secret*
L/P&S/20/B305

Fiche 53 (16)

Summary of events in Afghanistan 1st June 1920 to 1st July 1922.

Compiled by the General Staff
Delhi: Superintendent of Government Printing, India, 1922

16p 24cm *Confidential*
L/MIL/17/14/16/1

Fiche 53-54 (16-17)

Summary of events in Afghanistan 1st July 1922 to 30th June 1923.

Compiled by the General Staff
Delhi: Government Central Press, 1923

11p 24cm *Confidential*
L/MIL/17/14/16/2

Fiche 54 (17)

Summary of events in Afghanistan 1st July 1923 to 30th June 1924.

Compiled by the General Staff
Delhi: Government Central Press, 1924

18p 24cm *Confidential*
L/MIL/17/14/16/3

Fiche 54 (17)

Summary of events in Afghanistan 1st July 1927 to 30th June 1928.

Compiled by the General Staff
Simla: Government of India Press, 1928

23p 24cm *Confidential*
L/MIL/17/14/16/4

Fiche 54-55 (17-18)

Summary of events in Afghanistan 1st July 1928 to 30th Jun 1929.

Compiled by the General Staff
Simla: Government of India Press, 1929

[1],48p map 25cm *Confidential*
L/P&S/12/1637A

Fiche 55 (18)

Summary of events in Afghanistan 1st July 1929 to 30th June 1930.

Compiled by the General Staff
Simla: Government of India Press, 1930

[1],28p map 25cm *Confidential*
L/P&S/12/1637B

Fiche 55-155

Fiche 55-56 (18-19)

Summary of events in Afghanistan 1st July 1930 to 30th June 1931.

Compiled by the General Staff

Simla: Government of India Press, 1931

[2], 17p 2 maps 25cm *Confidential*

L/P&S/12/1637C

Fiche 56 (19)

Review of events in Afghanistan 1st July 1931 to 30th June 1932.

Compiled by the General Staff

Simla: Government of India Press, 1932

[2], 22p 2 maps 25cm *Confidential*

L/P&S/12/1637D

Fiche 56-57 (19-20)

The fall of Amanullah.

Translated from the Persian of Shaikh Ali Mahboub by Maj Robert Noel Girling Scott Foreign & Political Department, Mar 1930

Delhi: Government of India Press, 1930

[2], 61p map 33cm *Secret*

L/P&S/20/B289

Afghanistan. Government of India Foreign Department Printed Correspondence.

Secret/Confidential

Fiche 57-64 (20-27)

Part I May-Aug 1919 [409]p

Part II Aug 1919-Mar 1920 208p

L/P&S/10/819 File P.1953/1919

Fiche 64-69 (27-32)

Part III Sep 1919-Jun 1920 141p

Part IV Jun-Dec 1920 pp.1-98

L/P&S/10/811 File P.1061/1919 Pt.11

Fiche 69-84 (32-47)

Part IV Jan 1921 pp.99-187

Part V Jan-Jul 1921 291p

Part VI Jul-Dec 1921 [571]p

L/P&S/10/956 File P.15/1921 Pt.2

Fiche 84-94 (47-57)

Part VII Dec 1921-Jul 1922 195p

Part VIII May-Sep 1923 [142]p

Part IX Sep-Nov 1923 [161]p

Part X Nov-Dec 1923 57p

Part XI Dec 1923-Jan 1924 [137]p

L/P&S/10/1049 File P.1181/1922 Pt.1

Fiche 94-102 (57-65)

Part XII Jan-Feb 1924 [207]p

Part XIII Feb-Mar 1924 160p

Part XIV Mar-May 1924 [164]p

Part XV May-Aug 1924 [142]p

L/P&S/10/1050 File P.1181/1922 Pt.2

Fiche 102-114 (65-77)

Part XVI Aug-Nov 1924 [149]p

Part XVII Nov 1924-Apr 1925 [160]p

Part XVIII Apr-Aug 1925 [201]p

Part XIX Jul 1925-Apr 1926 [172]p

Part XX Apr-Nov 1926 [202]p

L/P&S/10/1051 File P.1181/1922 Pt.3

Fiche 114-126 (77-89)

Part XXI Dec 1926-Jun 1927 [194]p

Part XXII May 1927-Jan 1928 [183]p

Part XXIII Jan-May 1928 [175]p

Part XXIV May-Sep 1928 [172]p

Part XXV Aug-Dec 1928 [133]p

Part XXVI Dec 1928-Jan 1929 [259]p

L/P&S/10/1203 File P.135/1927

Fiche 126-140 (89-103)

Index to Parts XXII-XXX 28p

Part XXVII Feb-Jun 1929 [332]p

Part XXVIII Jul-Sep 1929 [131]p

Part XXIX Oct-Dec 1929 100p

Part XXX Dec 1929-Mar 1930 141p

Part XXXI Mar-May 1930 131p

Part XXXII May-Jul 1930 131p

Part XXXIII Jul-Aug 1930 99p

Part XXXIV Aug-Sep 1930 114p

L/P&S/10/1301 File P.5249/1929

Fiche 140-155 (103-118)

Part XXXV Sep-Oct 1930 145p

Part XXXVI Oct-Nov 1930 145p

Part XXXVII Nov 1930-Jan 1931 195p

Part XXXVIII Feb-Mar 1931 158p

Part XXXIX Apr-May 1931 123p

Part XL Apr-Jun 1931 127p

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Part XLII Sep-Dec 1931 178p

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Fiche 155-165 (118-128)

Part XLIII Dec 1931-Mar 1932 [238]p
Part XLIV Mar-Jun 1932 [185p]
Part XLV Jul-Sep 1932 [171]p
Part XLVI Oct-Dec 1932 183p
Part XLVII Dec 1932-Mar 1933 198p
L/P&S/12/1600 Pol Ext Coll 3 File 43

Fiche 165-173 (128-136)

Part XLVIII Mar-May 1933 152p
Part XLIX May-Aug 1933 138p
Part L Aug-Sep 1933 154p
Part LI Sep-Dec 1933 125p
Part LII Dec 1933-Mar 1934 [185]p
L/P&S/12/1653 Pol Ext Coll 3 File 87

Fiche 173-185 (136-148)

Part LIII Mar-Jul 1934 196p
Part LIV Jul-Oct 1934 195p
Part LV Oct 1934-Mar 1935 247p
Part LVI Mar-May 1935 137p
Part LVII Jun-Sep 1935 179p
Part LVIII Sep-Nov 1935 151p
L/P&S/12/1662 Pol Ext Coll 3 File 96 Pt.1

Fiche 185-195 (148-158)

Part LIX Nov 1935-Apr 1936 [327]p
Part LX Apr-Aug 1936 280p
Part LXI Aug-Dec 1936 267p
Part LXII Dec 1936-Feb 1937 pp.1-166
L/P&S/12/1663 Pol Ext Coll 3 File 96 Pt.2

Fiche 195-208 (158-171)

Part LXII Feb-Mar 1937 pp.167-206
Part LXIII Mar-Apr 1937 132p
Part LXIV May-Jun 1937 152p
Part LXV Jul-Oct 1937 171p
Index to Parts XLI-L 19p
Index to Parts LI-LX 16p
Part LXVI Oct 1937-Feb 1938 207p
Part LXVII Mar-Jun 1938 286p
Part LXVIII Jul-Dec 1938 pp.1-88
L/P&S/12/1664 Pol Ext Coll 3 File 96 Pt.3

Fiche 208-220 (171-183)

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Part LXIX Jan-Jun 1939 157p
Part LXX Jul-Dec 1939 144p
Index to Parts LXI-LXX 13p
Part LXXI Jan-Sep 1940 220p
Part LXXII Oct 1940-Jun 1941 232p
Part LXXIII Jul-Nov 1941 82p
L/P&S/12/1665 Pol Ext Coll 3 File 96 Pt.4

Fiche 221-237

AFGHANISTAN – BIA 3 WHO'S WHO 1914-1940

Fiche 221-222 (1-2)

Who's who in Afghanistan.
General Staff, India. 1914.
Simla: Printed at the Government Monotype
Press, 1914
[1],xii,99p 4 tabs 21cm *Secret*
L/P&S/20/B220/1

Fiche 222-227 (2-7)

Who's who in Afghanistan.
General Staff, India. (9th edition). 1930
Simla: Government of India Press, 1930
[2],xii,258p 6 tabs 18cm *Confidential*
L/P&S/20/B220/2

Fiche 228-229 (8-9)

Who's who in Afghanistan, 1930.
Amendment list No.1 of 1931.
[Simla: General Staff, India, 1931]
57p 18cm *Confidential*
L/P&S/20/B220/3

Fiche 229-230 (9-10)

Who's who in Afghanistan, 1930.
Amendment list No.2 (May 1933).
[Delhi: General Staff, India, 1933]
80p 18cm *Confidential*
L/P&S/20/B220/4

Fiche 230-237 (10-17)

Who's who in Afghanistan.
General Staff, India. (10th edition). 1940
Simla: Government of India Press, 1940
x,326p 26cm *Confidential*
L/P&S/20/B220/5

AFGHANISTAN – BIA 4 MILITARY REPORTS 1906-1940

Fiche 238-241 (1-4)

Military report on Afghanistan.
(First edition).
Compiled in the Division of the Chief of the
Staff, Army Head Quarters, India
Simla: Printed at the Government Monotype
Office, 1906
[4],206p 59 illus 2 maps 25cm *Confidential*
L/MIL/17/14/4

with

Amendment list No.1, November 1939
[102]p illus map *Security*
Amendment list No.2 (May 1940)
2p *Security*
Amendment list No.3 (May 1941)
31p map *Security*
L/P&S/20/B257/2

Fiche 241-250 (4-13)

Military report on Afghanistan. History,
geography, ethnography, resources, armed
forces, forts and fortified posts, administration
and communications.
General Staff, India, 1925
Delhi: Government of India Press, 1925
xxxii,741p 49 pl 2 maps 21cm *Confidential*
L/P&S/20/B255/1

Fiche 250-254 (13-17)

Military report, Afghanistan. Part 1 – history.
General Staff, India, 1940
Simla: Government of India Press, 1941
ii,347p 3 pl 3 maps 25cm *Security*
L/P&S/20/B255/2

Fiche 254-255 (17-18)

Handbook of the Afghan Army.
Fourth edition, 1927.
General Staff, India
Delhi: Government of India Press, 1927
iv,83p map 18cm *Confidential*
L/P&S/20/B257/1

Fiche 255-258 (18-21)

Notes on the Afghan Army, 1936.
General Staff, India
New Delhi: Government of India Press, 1936
vi,97p illus 2 map 19cm *Confidential*

Fiche 259-283

AFGHANISTAN, BIA-5 ROUTE BOOKS 1907-1941

Fiche 259-262 (1-4)

Routes in Afghanistan, North-West.
Compiled in the Intelligence Branch, Division of
the Chief of the Staff, Army Head Quarters
Calcutta: Office of the Superintendent
Government Printing, India, 1907
xi,272p map 21cm *Confidential*
L/P&S/20/B223/1

Fiche 262 (4)

Annual list of corrections to Routes in
Afghanistan, North-West. December 1912.
[Simla: General Staff, India, Jan 1913]
3p 19cm *Confidential*
L/P&S/20/B223/2

Fiche 262-263 (4-5)

Routes in Afghanistan N.E. 1926.
Amendment list No.3 (September 1935)
[Simla: Government of India Press, 1935]
91p 19cm *For Official Use only*
L/P&S/20/B223/9

Fiche 263-268 (5-10)

Routes in Afghanistan N.E. 1937.
General Staff, India
Simla: Government of India Press, 1937
xiii,522p map [missing] 19cm *For Official
Use Only*
R/12/LIB/21

Fiche 268-272 (10-14)

Routes in Afghanistan, South-West.
General Staff, India, 1941
Lahore: North Western Railway Press, 1941
viii,292p map 19cm *For Official Use Only*
L/MIL/17/14/12

Fiche 272-277 (14-19)

Routes in Afghanistan, South-East.
General Staff, India, 1922
Calcutta: Superintendent, Government Printing,
India, 1923
xiii,451p map 19cm *For Official Use Only*
L/MIL/17/14/10

Fiche 277-282 (19-24)

Routes in Afghanistan, South-East.
General Staff, India. (Sixth edition). 1937
Calcutta: Government of India Press, 1937
x,533p map 19cm *For Official Use Only*
L/P&S/20/B223/14

Fiche 282-283 (24-25)

Routes in Afghanistan, South-East, 1937.
Amendment list No.1 (May 1940)
[Delhi: General Staff, India, Oct 1940]
[39]p 19cm *For Official Use Only*
L/P&S/20/B223/15

AFGHANISTAN, BIA-6 FRONTIERS: GENERAL, AND NORTHERN SECTION 1910-1946

Fiche 284-286 (1-3)

A dictionary of the Pathan tribes on the North-West Frontier of India.
Prepared by the General Staff, Army Head Quarters, India
Calcutta, Superintendent Government Printing, 1910
[267]p 17cm
L/P&S/20/B182

Fiche 286-290 (3-7)

Who's who in the North-West Frontier Province. Corrected up to 31st October 1914.
Peshawar: North-West Frontier Province Government Press, 1916
[3],167p 33cm *Confidential*
L/P&S/20/B267/1

Fiche 290-292 (7-9)

Who's who N.W.F. tribes
General Staff, India 1st edition
Simla: Printed at the Government Monotype Press, 1916
i,113p 33cm *For Official Use Only*
L/P&S/20/B267/2

Fiche 292-293 (9-10)

Report of the Tribal Control and Defence Committee, 1931.
Foreign & Political Department, May 1931
Delhi: Government of India Press, 1931
i,74p map 33cm *Confidential*
L/P&S/20/B293

Fiche 293 (10)

Instructions governing the employment of Armed Forces in the maintenance of tribal control on the North West Frontier of India and in Baluchistan.
Issued under the authority of the Government of India, Defence Department, 1940
Simla: Government of India Press, 1941
iv,13p 33cm *Confidential*
L/P&S/20/B308

Fiche 293-294 (10-11)

Monograph on Swat State
Maj William Rupert Hay, CIE, Political Agent, Dir, Swat and Chitral, 1933
Simla: Government of India Press, 1934
i,36p map 25cm *Confidential*
L/P&S/20/B302

Fiche 294-298 (11-15)

Military report and gazetteer on Chitral.
General Staff, India (2nd edition), 1928
Calcutta: Government of India Press, 1928
ii,328p 3 illus 5 maps 18cm *For Official Use Only*
L/P&S/20/B287/1

Fiche 298 (15)

Military report and gazetteer on Chitral, 2nd edition, 1928.
Amendment list No.1 (October 1940).
Simla: General Staff, India, Dec 1940
9p 18cm *For Official Use Only*
L/P&S/20/B287/2

Fiche 298-300 (15-17)

Military report and gazetteer on Dir, Swat and Bajaur. Part 1 – Military report (second edition).
General Staff, India, 1928
Calcutta: Government of India Press, 1928
ii,169,xxiv p 2 maps 18cm *For Official Use Only*
L/P&S/20/B222/1

Fiche 300-303 (17-20)

Military report and gazetteer on Dir, Swat and Bajaur. Part 2 – Gazetteer.
General Staff, India, 1928
Calcutta: Government of India Press, 1928
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