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TRAFFIC IN OPIUM AND OTHER DANGEROUS DRUGS.

ANNUAL REPORTS BY GOVERNMENTS FOR 1945.

ZANZIBAR.

Communicated by the Government of the United Kingdom.

Note by the Acting Secretary-General.

In accordance with Article 21 of the Convention of 1931 for limiting the Manufacture and regulating the Distribution of Narcotic Drugs, the Acting Secretary-General has the honour to communicate the above mentioned report to the parties to the Convention. The report is also communicated to other States and to the Advisory Committee on Traffic in Opium and other Dangerous Drugs.

(For the form of annual reports, see document 00.1600).

A. GENERAL.

I.-Laws and Publications.

No change.

II.-Administration.

No change.

III.- Control of International Trade.

No change.

IV.- International Co-operation.

No change.

V.- Illicit Traffic.

(a) 1 gramme of opium was confiscated during the year 1945. 65 lbs 9 oz (29 kg 798 grammes), 8 grammes and 13 grains (0.8 gramme) of Indian Hemp were confiscated during the year 1945.

(b) 47 prosecutions took place in 1945 under the Dangerous Drugs Decree.

In 46 cases the accused were convicted and 1 case ended in acquittal of the accused.

(c) In 45 cases, accused were prosecuted for possession of Indian hemp and in 2 cases for being in unlawful possession of opium.

(d) Nationalities or tribes of persons prosecuted were as follows:- 44 Africans, 4 Arabs and 2 Indians were prosecuted under the Dangerous Drugs Decree, of whom 2 Africans were acquitted.

Indian hemp weighing 69 lbs 9 oz. (29 kg. 798 grammes), 8 grammes and 13 grains (0.8 gramme) was seized during the year as compared with 1.1/4 lbs (568.1 grammes) during the previous year. The increase was due to the discovery of one large and one small field in which Indian hemp was grown as a "business proposition". This is no doubt due to the influx of mainland natives principally Wanyamwezi who are addicted to the use of Indian hemp.

The quantity of opium seized in 1945, 1 gramme, is a slight increase on the 1944 figure.

In so far as Zanzibar is concerned, illicit traffic in dangerous drugs other than Indian hemp, is practically non-existent.

B. RAW MATERIALS.

VII.-Raw Opium. VIII.-Coca leaf. IX.- Indian hemp.

No change.

C. MANUFACTURED DRUGS.

X.- Internal Control of Manufactured Drugs.

In pursuance of Secretary of State for the Colonies' letter N° 34 of April 20th, 1945 issue of opium to addicts was stopped during the year 1945.

SENIOR MEDICAL OFFICER IN CHARGE.

March 4th, 1946.