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SLAVE TRADE. No. 4 (1874).

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ENGAGEMENT

OF THE

NUKEEB OF MACULLA

FOR THE

ABOLITION OF THE SLAVE TRADE

IN HIS

DOMINIONS.

*Signed at Maculla, April 7, 1873.*

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*Presented to both Houses of Parliament by Command of Her Majesty.*  
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## Engagement of the Nukeeb of Maculla for the Abolition of the Slave Trade in his Dominions.

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*Signed at Maculla, April 7, 1873.*

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WHEREAS under date 14th May, 1863, A.D. (25th Dhil-kaada, 1279 A.H.), a solemn Agreement was entered into by me Silah bin Mahomed, Nukeeb of Maculla, with Brigadier William Marcus Coghlan, covenanting to abolish and prohibit the export or import of slaves from or to any part of my territory, from or to any other place, whether in Africa or in Asia, or elsewhere. And whereas his Excellency Sir Henry Bartle Edward Frere, G.C.S.I., K.C.B., Her Britannic Majesty's Special Envoy, has now impressed on me the advantages of adhering in perpetuity to the terms of the said Agreement: therefore and accordingly, I, Silah bin Mahomed, Nukeeb of Maculla aforesaid, on behalf of myself, my heirs and successors, do hereby solemnly confirm and engage to be bound by the terms of the aforesaid Agreement of 14th May, 1863.

Done at Maculla, this seventh day of the month of April, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy-three.

(Signed)

H. B. E. FRERE, *Special Envoy.*  
SILAH MAHOMED.

Witnesses.

(Signed)

LEWIS PELLY, *Colonel, Political Resident in the Persian Gulf.*  
C. B. EUAN SMITH, *Major, Private Secretary to Sir B. Frere.*

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AGREEMENT ALLUDED TO ABOVE.

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*Treaty with the Nukeeb of Maculla, May 14, 1863.*

(Translation.)

In the name of the Most Merciful God, and Him we implore.

The reason of writing this bond is that, influenced by motives of humanity, and by a desire to conform to the principles on which the great English Government is conducted, we lend a willing ear to the proposals of our sincere friend Brigadier William Marcus Coghlan, Governor of Aden, that we shall covenant with him to abolish and prohibit the export and import of slaves from or to any part of our territory, to any other place in Africa, or in Asia, or elsewhere.

Therefore I, whose name and seal are set to this bond, do, in the sight of God and of men, solemnly proclaim my determination to prohibit the export or import of slaves by every means in my power. I will neither export nor import any myself, nor will I permit my subjects to do so, and any vessel belonging to my subjects found carrying slaves shall be seized and confiscated by me, or by any ship belonging to Her Majesty the Queen of England, and the slaves shall be released. Peace!

This covenant is to have effect at the expiration of one year from this date.  
Peace!

(Signed)

SILAH MAHOMED.  
W. M. COGHLAN, *Political Resident, Aden.*

Witnessed:

(Signed)

OMAR BA SALIM KAISAN.  
H. RASSAM, *Assistant Political Resident.*

*Maculla, May 14, 1863 (25 Dhee Alckada, 1279).*

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