

# TELEGRAM.

From: Lands, Tarawa.

To: District Officer, Canton.

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(Date)

9th February,

1948 .

*Encl.*

Yours of 26th January. Burning clears all cover and dessicates ground making establishment of coconuts very difficult; also soil on which "Buka" has grown is poisoned for coconuts. Advise try burning and planting on Nutiran of restricted area for experimental purposes and devote main efforts on non-"Buka" areas. I expect to receive Director Agriculture's advice on question shortly -

*Pe D*

Lands

From: District Officer, Canton.

To : Magistrate, Gardener Island.

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10th February, 1948.

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Please try burning "Buka" on a small area of Nutiran and planting coconuts where you have burnt. This is to be done to see what will happen when you use this method. Continue to do nearly all your planting where "Buka" does not grow -

*Pe D*

District.

From: Lands, Tarawa Island.

To : District Canton Island.

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5th May, 1948.

*Encl.*

Further mine of ninth February. Grateful send sample soil under "Buka" tree to soil Chemist Suva for analysis -

*Pe D*

Lands.

From: District Canton Island.

To : Lands, Tarawa Island.

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5th May, 1948.

*Encl.*

Expect visit Gardener and Hull in Coast Guard ship leaving Canton in about two days time. Sample "buka" soil will be collected please advise soon if you wish any other points covered -

*Pe D*

District.