



Foreign Office

May 8. 1890.

Dear Mr. Macmillan,

I gather from the printed paper enclosed in your letter of the 6th Instant that the object of Professor Ramsay's expedition is exploration and not excavation.

If so we shall probably have no great difficulty in obtaining for him all necessary facilities.

Excavation is a different matter. all kinds of formalities

Sir W. White No. 366
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formalities are required; permission is often refused, and always very difficult to obtain.

I enclose, for your confidential information, a despatch from Her Majesty's Ambassador at Constantinople forwarding a copy of the Turkish Law on the subject. You will observe that its provisions are very stringent.

Assuming that Professor Ramsay's object is to explore the best plan will be for the Committee of the Asia
Minor

Junior Exploration Fund to
address a formal letter to
Lord Salisbury, defining the
exact objects of the expedition,
and Sir William White will
then be instructed to assist
Professor Trausay and his
companions to the best of his
powers.

Yours very truly

P. W. Funn