



The London Gazette

Published by Authority

Registered as a Newspaper

FRIDAY, 28TH MAY 1976

State Intelligence

ROYAL COMMISSION

Whitehall, London S.W.1.

21st May 1976.

The QUEEN has been pleased to issue a Warrant under Her Majesty's Royal Sign Manual in the form following: ELIZABETH THE SECOND, by the Grace of God of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and of Our other Realms and Territories QUEEN, Head of the Commonwealth, Defender of the Faith, to Our Trusty and Well-beloved

Sir Alexander Walter Merrison, Knight ;
Sir Thomas Brown, Knight ;
Sir Simpson Stevenson, Knight ;
Lady Sherman ;

Ivor Ralph Campbell Batchelor, Esquire, Commander of Our Most Excellent Order of the British Empire ;

Audrey Mary Prime, Officer of Our Most Excellent Order of the British Empire ;

Christopher John Wells, Esquire, Officer of our Most Excellent Order of the British Empire, upon whom has been conferred the Territorial Efficiency Decoration ;

Paul Anthony Bramley, Esquire ;
Cecil Montacute Clothier, Esquire, One of Our Counsel learned in the Law ;

Ann Clwyd ;
Peter Roy Albert Jacques, Esquire ;
Jean Kennedy McFarlane ;
Kathleen Brenda Richards ;
Cyril Taylor, Esquire ;
Frank Reeson Welsh, Esquire ;
Alan Harold Williams, Esquire ;

Greeting!

Whereas We have deemed it expedient that a Commission should forthwith issue to consider in the interests both of the patients and of those who work in the National Health Service the best use and management of the financial and manpower resources of the National Health Service:

And whereas We have also deemed it expedient that the Commission should consider in the interests both of the patients and of those who work in the parallel services in Northern Ireland the best use and management of the financial and manpower resources of those services:

Now know Ye that We, reposing great trust and confidence in your knowledge and ability, have authorised and appointed and do by these Presents authorise and appoint you the said Sir Alexander Walter Merrison (Chairman) ; Sir Thomas Brown ; Sir Simpson Stevenson ; Lady Sherman ; Ivor Ralph Campbell Batchelor ; Audrey Mary Prime ; Christopher John Wells ; Paul Anthony Bramley ;

Cecil Montacute Clothier ; Ann Clwyd ; Peter Roy Albert Jacques ; Jean Kennedy McFarlane ; Kathleen Brenda Richards ; Cyril Taylor ; Frank Reeson Welsh and Alan Harold Williams to be our Commissioners for the purposes of the said inquiry:

And for the better effecting the purposes of this Our Commission do by these Presents give and grant unto you, or any four or more of you, full power to call before you such persons as you shall judge likely to afford you any information upon the subject of this Our Commission ; to call for information in writing ; and also to call for, have access to and examine all such books, documents, registers and records as may afford you the fullest information on the subject and to inquire of and concerning the premises by all lawful ways and means whatsoever :

And We do by these Presents authorise and empower you, or any of you, to visit and personally inspect such places as you may deem it expedient so to inspect for the more effectual carrying out of the purposes aforesaid :

And We do by these Presents will and ordain that this Our Commission shall continue in full force and virtue, and that you, Our said Commissioners, or any four or more of you, may from time to time proceed in the execution thereof, and of every matter and thing therein contained, although the same be not continued from time to time by adjournment :

And We do further ordain that you, or any four or more of you, have liberty to report your proceedings under this Our Commission from time to time if you shall judge it expedient to do so :

And Our further will and pleasure is that you do, with as little delay as possible, report to Us your opinion upon the matters herein submitted for your consideration.

Given at Our Court at Saint James's the nineteenth day of May 1976 ; In the Twenty-fifth year of Our Reign.

By Her Majesty's Command,

Roy Jenkins.

PRIVY COUNCIL OFFICE

At the Court at Buckingham Palace, the 19th day of May 1976.

PRESENT,

The QUEEN's Most Excellent Majesty in Council

Her Majesty, in exercise of the powers conferred upon Her by section 3 of the Naval and Marine Pay and Pensions Act 1865, and of all other powers enabling Her in that