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A PROCLAMATION

DETERMINING THE SPECIFICATIONS AND DESIGN FOR,
AND GIVING CURRENCY TO, SILVER AND CUPRO-
NICKEL 25 NEW PENCE COINS IN GIBRALTAR

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Whereas by virtue of Proclamations issued under the Coinage Acts 1870 to 1946 and the Decimal Currency Acts 1967 to 1969, certain parts of the Decimal Currency Act 1967 and of the Decimal Currency Act 1969 are in force in Gibraltar:

We, therefore, in pursuance of Section 11 of the Coinage Act 1870, as extended by Section 2(3) of the Decimal Currency Act 1967 and by Section 1(1) of the Decimal Currency Act 1969 and of all other powers enabling Us in that behalf, do hereby, by and with the advice of Our Privy Council, proclaim, direct and ordain as follows:

1. This Proclamation shall be published in the Official Gazette of Gibraltar and shall come into force there on the date of such publication.

2.—(1) The following new coins, being coins of standard weight of 28.276 grammes, a standard diameter of 38.60 millimetres and of a circular shape, shall be made:

- (a) a silver coin of a millesimal fineness 925; and
- (b) a cupro-nickel coin of a standard composition of 75 per centum copper and 25 per centum nickel.

(2) In the making of the silver coin prescribed by Section 2(1)(a) of this Our Proclamation a remedy (that is a variation from the standard weight, diameter or composition specified above) shall be allowed of an amount not exceeding the following, that is to say:

- (a) a variation from the said standard weight of an amount per coin (measured as the average of a sample of not more than one kilogramme of the coin) of 0.1575 grammes; and
- (b) a variation from the said standard diameter of 0.125 millimetres per coin; and
- (c) a variation from the said standard composition of millesimal fineness of 4.

(3) In the making of the cupro-nickel coin prescribed by Section 2(1)(b) of this Our Proclamation a remedy shall be allowed of an amount not exceeding the following, that is to say:

- (a) a variation from the said standard weight of an amount per coin (measured as the average of a sample of not more than one kilogramme of the coin) of 0.1575 grammes; and
- (b) a variation from the said standard diameter of 0.125 millimetres per coin; and
- (c) a variation from the said standard composition of one per centum.

3. The design for the said coins shall be as follows:

For the obverse impression Our Effigy with the inscription "Elizabeth II" and "Gibraltar" and the date of the year.

For the reverse impression Our Royal Arms conjoint with the Arms of His Royal Highness The Prince Philip, The Duke of Edinburgh, each surrounded by the Garter, with the inscription "Silver Wedding Anniversary 1947-1972, 25 New Pence". The coins shall have a graining upon the edge.

4. The said coins shall be current and be legal tender within Gibraltar.

Given at Our Court at Buckingham Palace, this fourteenth day of November, in the year of our Lord One thousand nine hundred and seventy-two and in the twenty-first year of Our Reign.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN

BY THE GOVERNOR OF NORTHERN IRELAND

Government House,
Hillsborough.

His Excellency The Governor has sent the following message to The Queen on the occasion of the Twenty-Fifth Anniversary of the Marriage of Her Majesty and The Duke of Edinburgh:

Most Gracious Sovereign,

With my humble duty, in the name and on behalf of Your Majesty's subjects of Northern Ireland I beg leave to offer Your Majesty and His Royal Highness the Duke of Edinburgh, our heartfelt good wishes on the twentyfifth anniversary of Your Majesty's and His Royal Highness' marriage.

On this occasion of rejoicing I would express our deep sense of gratitude that Your Majesty and His Royal Highness have been blessed with great domes-