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The QUEEN has been pleased to issue a Warrant under Her Majesty's Royal Sign Manual to the following effect:—

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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 all to whom these Presents shall come,

Greeting!

Whereas His late Majesty King George the Fifth in consideration of the faithful and devoted service rendered by members of the Special Constabulary during the Great War, 1914-18, and being desirous of distinguishing such service by some mark of His Royal Favour, and also of providing a means of recognizing continued and efficient service which might be rendered in the future by members of any Special Constabulary Reserve thereafter constituted, did by Warrant under His Royal Sign Manual dated the 30th August, 1919, institute and create a new Medal to be awarded for such service as aforesaid:

And whereas by Warrants under the Royal Sign Manual of His late Majesty King George the Fifth dated the 31st January, 1920, the 15th August, 1929, and the 1st October, 1930, respectively, and the Royal Sign Manual of His late Majesty King George the Sixth dated the 23rd January, 1937, the 22nd June, 1940, the 27th December, 1945, the 15th July, 1950, and Our Royal Sign Manual dated 31st December, 1952, respectively, revised Rules were established for the governance of the said Decoration:

And whereas We are desirous of further amending

the said Rules, We are graciously pleased to make, ordain and establish the following Rules for the governance of the said Decoration:—

I. It is ordained that the Medal shall be designated and styled "The Special Constabulary Long Service Medal."

II. It is ordained that the Medal shall consist of a circular Medal of Bronze with the Effigy of the Sovereign on the obverse and on the reverse an appropriate design or inscription, and shall bear on the rim the name of the person to whom the Medal is awarded.

III. It is ordained that the Medal shall only be awarded to those of Our faithful subjects who, being or having been members of the Special Constabulary, shall satisfy the following conditions, namely:

(1) Shall have served as a Special Constable without pay during the Great War 1914-18 for not less than three years, and shall during that period have performed not less than 150 police duties: or

(2) Shall have served as a Special Constable without pay for a period of not less than nine years or for periods amounting in the aggregate to not less than nine years, and shall be recommended by the Chief Officer of Police as willing and competent to discharge the duties of a Special Constable and as having performed without pay such duty as a Special Constable as has been required from him by the Chief Officer of Police during that period or those periods.

Provided that each period of such service without pay during the Great War 1914-1918 or during the period beginning with the 3rd September, 1939, and ending with the 31st December, 1945, amounting to one year or upwards in the course of which the Special Constable completed not less than 50 police duties shall be reckoned as equivalent to three years' efficient service under condition (2), and other periods in the same proportion: or