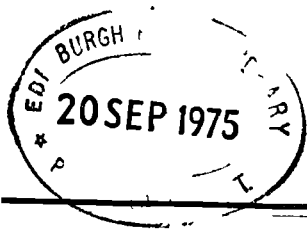


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BY THE QUEEN

A PROCLAMATION

APPOINTING FRIDAY, 26TH DECEMBER 1975 A BANK HOLIDAY IN SCOTLAND AND NEW YEAR'S DAY 1976 A BANK HOLIDAY IN ENGLAND AND WALES AND NORTHERN IRELAND.

ELIZABETH R.

Whereas We consider it desirable that Friday, the twenty-sixth day of December in the year 1975 should be a bank holiday in Scotland and that New Year's Day in the year 1976 should be a bank holiday in England and Wales and Northern Ireland:

We, therefore, in pursuance of section 1(3) of the Banking and Financial Dealings Act 1971, do hereby appoint Friday, the twenty-sixth day of December in the year 1975 to be a bank holiday in Scotland, and New Year's Day in the year 1976 to be a bank holiday in England and Wales and Northern Ireland.

Given at Our Court at Balmoral, this seventeenth day of September in the year of our Lord One thousand nine hundred and seventy-five and in the twenty-fourth year of Our Reign.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN