

caused to British traders by the dislocation of export trade owing to the inclusion in the Statutory List of a former connection, the Foreign Trade Department is collecting and classifying the names of non-enemy firms who may be able to act as substitutes for firms mentioned in the Statutory List. A considerable amount of information is already available at the Foreign Trade Department, and it is in many cases possible to suggest the names of satisfactory substitutes for individual firms on the Lists without the necessity of referring the matter abroad. The Department is, however, prepared on application to enquire of His Majesty's Representatives abroad for the names of suitable substitutes. When the applicant wishes this done by telegraph he is required to undertake to pay the cost of telegraphic correspondence. It would greatly facilitate the work of the Foreign Trade Department if applicants in making enquiries would specify the particular trade or trades for which substitutes are required. *General enquiries for new connections abroad should be addressed to the Comptroller-General, Department of Overseas Trade (Development and Intelligence), 73, Basinghall Street, London, E.C. 2.*

NOTE (5).—The Statutory List for each country is telegraphed, on the day of issue, to His Majesty's Representative in that country, who is instructed to notify accordingly British Consular Officers, to whom persons abroad should apply for information as to names on the List. Persons and firms in the United Kingdom with agencies or branches abroad would, however, be well advised to furnish such agencies or branches with issues of the List as they appear. The names on the Lists for all countries in Central or South America are also notified to His Majesty's Ambassador at Washington, who transmits them to H.M. Consul-General at New York and to other centres in the United States likely to be interested.

NOTE (6).—It is not unusual for firms in Holland and the Netherland East Indies to be registered under names commencing with descriptive terms such as "Handel Maatschappij" (Trading Company) or "Naamlooze Venootschap" (Limited Liability Company). In such cases it has been found more convenient to publish the firm under its proper name followed by the general descriptive term "Handel Maatschappij" or "Naamlooze Venootschap" (N.V.) as in the case of an English company. For instance, Handel Maatschappij van den Berg & Company, and Naamlooze Venootschap de Komeet v/h Dumonceau Frères will be found under "Berg" and "Komeet" respectively, and not under "Handel" or "Naamlooze."

*Privy Council Office,*

*15th March, 1918.*

#### AIR FORCE (CONSTITUTION) ACT, 1917.

Notice is hereby given that, after the expiration of 40 days from the date hereof, it is proposed to submit to His Majesty in Council, under the provisions of the above-mentioned Act, the Draft of an Order in Council entitled "The Air Force (Application of Enactments) (No. 1) Order, 1918."

And Notice is hereby further given that, in accordance with the provisions of the Rules Publication Act, 1893, copies of the proposed

Draft Order in Council can be obtained by any Public Body within 40 days from the date of this Notice, at the Privy Council Office, Whitehall.

GEORGE THE FIFTH, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, and of the British Dominions beyond the Seas King, Defender of the Faith, To all to whom these Presents shall come,

Greeting!

Whereas by the Air Force (Constitution) Act, 1917, it is enacted that it shall be lawful for Us to raise and maintain a Force, to be called the Air Force, consisting of such numbers of officers, warrant officers, non-commissioned officers and men, as may from time to time be provided by Parliament:

Now know ye that it is Our Will and Pleasure that the Air Force to be established pursuant to the said Act shall be styled the "Royal Air Force."

Given at the Court at *Saint James'*, the 7th day of *March*, 1918, in the Eighth Year of Our Reign.

By His Majesty's Command,

*Rothermere.*

#### CENTRAL CHANCERY OF THE ORDERS OF KNIGHTHOOD.

*St. James's Palace, S.W.*

*12th March, 1918.*

The KING has been graciously pleased to give orders for the following promotion in the Most Honourable Order of the Bath in recognition of the services of the undermentioned Officer during the war:—

*To be an Additional Member of the Second Class, or Knights Commanders, of the said Most Honourable Order.*

Captain Godfrey Marshall Paine, C.B., M.V.O., R.N. (Commodore, 1st Class).

#### CENTRAL CHANCERY OF THE ORDERS OF KNIGHTHOOD.

*St. James's Palace, S.W.,*

*15th March, 1918.*

The KING has been graciously pleased to give orders for the following appointment to the Most Honourable Order of the Bath, for valuable services rendered in connection with the War. Dated 1st January, 1918.—

*To be an Additional Member of the Military Division of the Third Class, or Companions, of the said Most Honourable Order:—*

Maj.-Gen. (T./Lt.-Gen.) Thomas Herbert John Chapman Goodwin, C.M.G., D.S.O., Director General Army Medical Service.

*Chancery of the Order of Saint Michael and Saint George.*

*Downing Street,*

*15th March, 1918.*

The KING has been graciously pleased to give directions for the following appointment to the Most Distinguished Order of Saint