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FRIDAY, 29 JULY, 1927.

At the Court at *Buckingham Palace*, the 25th day of *July*, 1927.

PRESENT,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

THIS day Admiral of the Fleet the Right Honourable David, Earl Beatty, G.C.B., O.M., G.C.V.O., D.S.O., was, by His Majesty's Command, sworn of His Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council, and took his place at the Board accordingly.

M. P. A. Hankey.

At the Court at *Buckingham Palace*, the 25th day of *July*, 1927.

PRESENT,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS by treaty, grant, usage, sufferance and other lawful means His Majesty the King has jurisdiction within the dominions of the Republic of China:

Now, therefore, His Majesty, by virtue and in exercise of the powers in this behalf by the Foreign Jurisdiction Acts, 1890 and 1918 (53-4 V. c. 87, and 3-4 Geo. V, c. 16), or otherwise in His Majesty vested, is pleased, by and with the advice of His Privy Council, to order, and it is hereby ordered, as follows:—

I. This Order may be cited as "The China (Amendment) Order in Council, 1927," and shall be read as one with "The China Order in Council, 1925," hereinafter called the "Principal Order."

II. The power to make Regulations conferred upon the Minister by Article 209 of the Principal Order shall include a power to make Regulations for the requisitioning, for the purposes of the requirements of His Majesty's Naval, Military, or Air Forces in China, of land or property belonging to British subjects or British Companies, and for purposes ancillary thereto:

Provided that:—

(i) Such Regulations shall not be made unless the Minister is of opinion that special circumstances exist which necessitate the exercise of such power;

(ii) The power of requisitioning conferred by such Regulations shall not be exercised after such date as the Minister may, by notice under his hand, determine as the date of the cessation of such special circumstances;

(iii) Such Regulations shall make provision for the period during which the requisitioning authority may retain possession of any requisitioned land after the date determined in accordance with sub-paragraph (ii) of this Article.

III. Regulations made under Article 2 of this Order may provide for the establishment of a Tribunal to assess the amount of compensation payable in respect of any requisition affected under the Regulations and for the hearing of appeals from such Tribunal, and may prescribe the principles to be followed by the Tribunal in the assessment of such compensation.