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FRIDAY, 28 JULY, 1939

At the Court at *Buckingham Palace*, the 25th day of *July*, 1939.

PRESENT,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS in accordance with the Promissory Oaths Act, 1868, the Oath of Allegiance and the official Oath as to England are required to be tendered to and taken by each of the officers named in the first Part of the Schedule to the said Act in the presence of His Majesty in Council or otherwise as His Majesty shall direct:

And whereas the said Act has by subsequent enactments been made applicable to other Ministers of the Crown as if they were included in the said Part of the said Schedule:

Now, therefore, His Majesty, by and with the advice of His Privy Council, by virtue of the powers conferred on Him by the said Act and of all other powers enabling Him in that behalf is pleased to order and it is hereby ordered as follows:—

1. The Oath of Allegiance and the official Oath as to England shall, in the case of any officer named in the first Part of the Schedule to the said Act, other than the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster, or of any officer to whom the said Act has been or is hereafter so made applicable as aforesaid by any subsequent enactment, be tendered to and taken by him, if he be a member of the Cabinet, in the presence of His Majesty in Council, or, if he be not a member of the Cabinet, in the presence of the Lord Chancellor or the Lord President of the Council or one of His Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State.

2. The Oaths to be tendered to and taken by the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster shall, whether he be a member of the Cabinet or not, continue to be tendered and taken as heretofore.

3. This Order may be cited as the Promissory Oaths Order, 1939.

*Rupert B. Howorth.*

At the Court at *Buckingham Palace*, the 25th day of *July*, 1939.

PRESENT,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS there was this day read at the Board a Memorial from the Right Honourable the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, dated the 23rd day of June, 1939, (N.3648/39) in the words following, viz.:—

“Whereas by Section 3 of the Naval and Marine Pay and Pensions Act, 1865, it is enacted, *inter alia*, that all pay, pensions, or other allowances in the nature thereof, payable in respect of services in Your Majesty's Naval or Marine Force to a person being or having been an Officer, Seaman, or Marine therein, shall be paid in such manner, and subject to such restrictions, conditions, and provisions, as are from time to time directed by Order in Council:

“And whereas by Order in Council bearing the date the 6th May, 1938, sanction was given, *inter alia*, to the institution of a branch of naval ratings entitled the Air Fitter and Air Rigger branch: