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TUESDAY, 31 OCTOBER, 1939

At the Court at *Buckingham Palace*, the 27th day of *October*, 1939.

PRESENT,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

THIS day the Right Reverend Geoffrey Francis, Lord Bishop of London, was, by His Majesty's command, sworn of His Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council, and took his place at the Board accordingly.

Rupert B. Howorth.

At the Court at *Buckingham Palace*, the 27th day of *October*, 1939.

PRESENT,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS by Section 8 of the Air Force (Constitution) Act, 1917, it is enacted that:—

(1) for the purpose of the administration of matters relating to the Air Force and to the defence of the realm by air there shall be established an Air Council consisting of one of His Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, who shall be President of the Air Council, and of other members who shall be appointed in such manner and subject to such provisions as His Majesty may, by Order in Council, direct.

(2) His Majesty may, by Order in Council, make provision with respect to the proceedings of the Air Council and the manner in which the business of the Council is to be distributed among the members thereof:

And whereas His Majesty, by Order in Council dated the 28th day of July, 1938, made

provision with respect to the constitution of the Air Council and the manner of the appointment of the members thereof:

And whereas by Section 14 of the Air Force (Constitution) Act, 1917, Orders in Council made under that Act may be varied and revoked by subsequent Orders in Council:

And whereas it is expedient to make provision for the reconstitution of the Air Council:

Now, therefore, His Majesty is pleased, by and with the advice of His Privy Council, to order, and it is hereby ordered, as follows:—

(1) The Air Council shall consist of the following members, that is to say:—

One of His Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State who shall be President of the Air Council.

The Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State for Air.

The Chief of the Air Staff.

The Air Member for Personnel.

The Air Member for Development and Production.

The Air Member for Supply and Organization.

The Permanent Under-Secretary of State for Air.

(2) Of the members of the Air Council (other than the President) the Chief of the Air Staff shall be appointed by His Majesty and the other members shall be appointed by the Secretary of State.

(3) There may be included in the Air Council such additional members (if any) not exceeding three, as may be appointed by the Secretary of State.

(4) The Secretary of State is to be responsible to His Majesty and Parliament for all the business of the Air Council.