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Lord Chamberlain's Office,
St. James's Palace, S.W.1.

14th March, 1944.

The KING has been graciously pleased to appoint Wing Commander Peter Wooldridge Townsend, D.S.O., D.F.C., Royal Air Force, to be an Equerry (temporary) to His Majesty.

Whitehall, March 14, 1944.

The KING has been pleased to issue a Commission under His Majesty's Royal Sign Manual to the following effect:—

GEORGE R.I.

GEORGE THE SIXTH, by the Grace of God, of Great Britain, Ireland and the British Dominions beyond the Seas, KING, Defender of the Faith, to

Our Right Trusty and Well-beloved Cousin and Counsellor John Allsebrook, Viscount Simon, Knight Grand Commander of Our Most Exalted Order of the Star of India, Knight Grand Cross of Our Royal Victorian Order, Officer of Our Most Excellent Order of the British Empire, Our Lord High Chancellor of Great Britain,

Our Trusty and Well-beloved:

Alexander Morris Carr-Saunders, Esquire;

Sir Hubert Douglas Henderson, Knight, Member of Our Most Excellent Order of the British Empire;

Arthur William Mickle Ellis, Esquire, Officer of Our Most Excellent Order of the British Empire, Doctor of Medicine, Fellow of the Royal College of Physicians, Regius Professor of Medicine in the University of Oxford;

Ethel Cassie, Officer of Our Most Excellent Order of the British Empire, Doctor of Medicine;

Our Right Trusty and Right Well-beloved Cousin John David, Earl of Cranbrook;

Our Trusty and Well-beloved:

Lady Dollan;

Robert Charles Kirkwood Ensor, Esquire;

John Richard Hobhouse, Esquire, upon whom has been conferred the Decoration of the Military Cross;

Margaret Christian Jay;

Gwynville Longmoor;

Gladys Perrie Hopkin Morris, Officer of Our Most Excellent Order of the British Empire;

Lady (Mary Helen) Ogilvie;

Helen Humphrey Pawson;

Alfred Roberts, Esquire;

William Dunkeld Robieson, Esquire;

Greeting!

Whereas We have deemed it expedient that a Commission should forthwith issue to examine the facts relating to the present population trends in Great Britain; to investigate the causes of these

trends and to consider their probable consequences; to consider what measures, if any, should be taken in the national interest to influence the future trend of population and to make recommendations:

Now Know Ye that We, reposing great trust and confidence in your knowledge and ability, have authorized and appointed, and do by these Presents authorize and appoint you the said John Allsebrook, Viscount Simon (Chairman); Alexander Morris Carr-Saunders; Sir Hubert Douglas Henderson; Arthur William Mickle Ellis; Ethel Cassie; John David, Earl of Cranbrook; Lady Dollan; Robert Charles Kirkwood Ensor; John Richard Hobhouse; Margaret Christian Jay; Gwynville Longmoor; Gladys Perrie Hopkin Morris; Lady (Mary Helen) Ogilvie; Helen Humphrey Pawson; Alfred Roberts and William Dunkeld Robieson to be Our Commissioners for the purposes of the said inquiry:

And for the better effecting the purposes of this Our Commission, We do by these Presents give and grant unto you, or any five or more of you, full power to call before you such persons as you shall judge likely to afford you any information upon the subject of this Our Commission; to call for information in writing, and also to call for, have access to, and examine all such books, documents, registers and records as may afford you the fullest information on the subject, and to enquire of and concerning the premises by all other lawful ways and means whatsoever:

And We do by these Presents authorize and empower you, or any one or more of you, at the request of the Chairman, to visit and inspect personally such places as you may deem it expedient so to inspect for the more effectual carrying out of the purposes aforesaid:

And We do by these Presents will and ordain that this Our Commission shall continue in full force and virtue, and that you, Our said Commissioners, or any five or more of you, may from time to time proceed in the execution thereof, and of every matter and thing therein contained, although the same be not continued from time to time by adjournment:

And We do further ordain that you have liberty to report your proceedings under this Our Commission from time to time if you shall judge it expedient so to do:

And Our further Will and Pleasure is that you do, with as little delay as possible, report to us your opinion upon the matters herein submitted for your consideration.

Given at Our Court at Saint James's the Third day of March, one thousand nine hundred and forty-four; in the eighth year of Our Reign.

By His Majesty's Command.

Herbert Morrison.

ROYAL COMMISSION ON POPULATION.