

Foreign Office, 21st January, 1957.

The QUEEN has been graciously pleased to appoint (with effect from the dates respectively indicated):—

- George Humphrey Middleton, Esquire, C.M.G., to be Her Majesty's Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary at Beirut (2nd May, 1956);
 Harold Wilfred Armine Freese-Pennefather, Esquire, C.M.G., to be Her Majesty's Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary at Rabat (28th June, 1956);
 Alfred Stanley Fordham, Esquire, C.M.G., to be Her Majesty's Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary at Havana (18th October, 1956);
 James Thyne Henderson, Esquire, C.M.G., to be Her Majesty's Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary at La Paz (18th October, 1956);
 Sir Andrew Napier Noble, Bart, K.C.M.G., to be Her Majesty's Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary at Mexico City (25th October, 1956);
 Sir Harold Anthony Caccia, K.C.M.G., to be Her Majesty's Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary at Washington (2nd November, 1956);
 Charles Hepburn Johnston, Esquire, C.M.G., to be Her Majesty's Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary at Amman (10th November, 1956); and
 Richard Hugh Sedley Allen, Esquire, C.M.G., to be Her Majesty's Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary at Rangoon (15th November, 1956).

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The QUEEN has been graciously pleased to appoint the undermentioned gentlemen to be Officers of the Sixth Grade of Branch A of Her Majesty's Foreign Service, with effect from the dates specified after their names:—

- Geoffrey Hunter Baker, Esquire (20th September, 1954).
 John Mansfield Addis, Esquire (25th September, 1954).
 Thomas Brimelow, Esquire, O.B.E. (29th September, 1954).
 William Scott Laver, Esquire (4th October, 1954).
 Ernest James Howes, Esquire (13th October, 1954).
 Raymond Gordon Antony Etherington Smith, Esquire (1st November, 1954).
 Horace Frederick Alfred Gates, Esquire, M.B.E. (26th November, 1954).

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The QUEEN has been graciously pleased to appoint the undermentioned to be Officers of Branch B of Her Majesty's Foreign Service, with effect from the dates specified after their names:—

- Paul Bevington, Esquire (4th November, 1955).
 Leslie James Jenkinson Craig, Esquire (4th November, 1955).
 Miss Doris Gwendoline Hammond (4th November, 1955).
 James Angus MacLeod, Esquire (4th November, 1955).
 Miss Mary Dundas Strachan, M.B.E. (4th November, 1955).
 Miss Carrie Joyce Tasch (4th November, 1955).
 Oswald James Tate, Esquire (4th November, 1955).
 Felix Elwyn Thomas, Esquire (13th December, 1955).

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The QUEEN has been pleased to approve of:—

- Señor Don Gustavo Adolfo José Amadeo, as Consul of the Argentine Republic at Hong Kong, for that Colony;
 Signor Giuseppe Della Croce di Dojola, as Consul of Italy at Glasgow, for Scotland;
 Mr. W. K. Roos, as Consul of the Netherlands at Penang, for the Settlement of Penang (including Province Wellesley) and the States of Perlis, Kedah and Perak;
 Mr. Sterling J. Cottrell, as Consul of the United States of America at Singapore;
 Mr. Robert L. Ouverson, as Consul of the United States of America at Lagos, Nigeria;
 Mr. Bo Hyung Lee, as Vice-Consul of Korea at Hong Kong;

Mr. William E. Berry, Junior, as Vice-Consul of the United States of America at Accra; and
 Señor Don Luis Maria Lyon, as Vice-Consul of Venezuela at Port of Spain.

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The QUEEN has been pleased to approve of:—

- Mr. Rehavam Amir, as Consul-General of Israel in London, for Great Britain and Northern Ireland;
 Signor Adalberto Figarolo di Gropello, as Consul-General of Italy at Hong Kong, for that Colony;
 Señor Don Arnaldo Caviglia, as Consul of the Argentine Republic at Cardiff, for the Counties of Glamorgan, Pembroke, Carmarthen, Gloucester, Hereford, Worcester, Warwick, Leicester, Rutland, Stafford, Salop, Denbigh, Flint, Merioneth, Caernarvon, Montgomery, Cardigan, Brecknock, Radnor, Anglesey and Monmouth;
 Mr. Rex Mayall, as Consul of Austria at Manchester, for the Counties of Lancaster and Chester;
 Mr. Chanan Yavor, as Consul of Israel at Accra, for the Gold Coast;
 Mr. Edwin J. Garrity, as Consul of the United States of America at Hong Kong;
 Mr. Peter M. F. Sichel, as Consul of the United States of America at Hong Kong;
 Mr. Soedarno Sosroamidjojo, as Vice-Consul of Indonesia at Penang;
 Mr. Meir Ayalon, as Vice-Consul of Israel in London; and
 Mr. Aaron Gafni, as Vice-Consul of Israel at Nicosia.

Whitehall, 22nd January, 1957.

The QUEEN has been pleased by Warrant under Her Majesty's Royal Sign Manual, bearing date the 21st instant, to appoint Douglas Edward Webb, Esq., O.B.E., to be one of the Assistant Commissioners of Police of the Metropolis.

Whitehall, 22nd January, 1957.

The QUEEN has been pleased by Letters Patent under the Great Seal of the Realm, bearing date the 21st instant, to confer the dignity of a Barony of the United Kingdom upon Sir Robert John Sinclair, K.C.B., K.B.E., and the heirs male of his body lawfully begotten, by the name, style and title of BARON SINCLAIR OF CLEEVE, of Cleeve in the County of Somerset.

Whitehall, 22nd January, 1957.

The QUEEN has been pleased by Letters Patent under the Great Seal of the Realm, bearing date the 22nd instant to confer the dignity of a Barony of the United Kingdom upon The Right Honourable Sir Percy Herbert Mills, Baronet, K.B.E., and the heirs male of his body lawfully begotten, by the name, style and title of BARON MILLS, of Studley in the County of Warwick.

Scottish Home Department,

St. Andrew's House,

Edinburgh, 1.

21st January, 1957.

The QUEEN having been pleased to approve the appointment of Colonel (Hon. Major General) Aymer Maxwell, C.B.E., M.C., D.L., to be Vice-Lieutenant of the County of Kirkcudbright, a Commission in his favour bearing date the 29th December, 1956, has been signed by the Lord Lieutenant.

Scottish Home Department,

St. Andrew's House,

Edinburgh, 1.

21st January, 1957.

The QUEEN has been pleased by Warrant under Her Majesty's Royal Sign Manual bearing date the 15th January, 1957, to appoint Sir Hector James Wright Hetherington, K.B.E., LL.D., LLitt.D., to be Chairman of the Royal Fine Art Commission for Scotland, and to reappoint Mr. Charles d'Orville Pilkington Jackson, A.R.S.A., F.R.B.S., F.R.S.A., to be a Member of the Commission.