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## State Intelligence

Lord Chamberlain's Office,  
St. James's Palace, London S.W.1.  
13th February 1968.

The QUEEN has been graciously pleased to appoint John David Gallagher, Esquire, to be Assistant Press Secretary (temporary) to Her Majesty.

The appointment to date from the 5th February 1968.

### HONOURS AND AWARDS

#### HOME OFFICE

Whitehall, London S.W.1.  
13th February 1968.

Under authority of a Royal Warrant, the Governor-General of Guyana, at Guyana House, Georgetown, on 23rd November 1967, conferred the honour of Knighthood upon:

Sir Harry ANNAMUNTHODO, M.B., F.R.C.S., Professor of Surgery, University of West Indies.

[Her Majesty's approval of this Knighthood was signified on 10th June 1967.]

### CROWN OFFICE

House of Lords, London S.W.1.  
12th February 1968.

The QUEEN has been pleased by Letters Patent under the Great Seal of the Realm, bearing date the 12th day of February 1968, to confer the dignity of a Barony of the United Kingdom for life upon Sir Humphrey Trevelyan, G.C.M.G., C.I.E., O.B.E., by the name, style and title of Baron Trevelyan, of Saint Veep in the County of Cornwall.

12th February 1968.

The QUEEN has been pleased by Letters Patent under the Great Seal to present The Reverend Thomas Jenkin Jones, C.F., to the Vicarage of Stokenham with Sherford in the County of Devon, and Diocese of Exeter void by the resignation of the last Incumbent and in Her Majesty's Gift in full sight.

12th February 1968.

The QUEEN has been pleased by Letters Patent under the Great Seal to present The Reverend Lionel Widdicombe Ford, B.A., to the Vicarage of Stonehouse in the County and Diocese of Gloucester, void by the cession of the last Incumbent and in Her Majesty's Gift in full sight.

### DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC AFFAIRS

Storey's Gate, London S.W.1.

#### PRICES AND INCOMES ACT, 1966

#### REFERENCE TO THE NATIONAL BOARD FOR PRICES AND INCOMES

##### Domestic Appliances

The Minister of Technology has recently been notified by Hoover Limited under the early warning arrangements of proposed increases in the prices of a wide range of domestic appliances. The reasons for the increases are the general increases in costs which have occurred since prices were last fixed and, to some extent, to the extra costs arising from devaluation.

The Secretary of State for Economic Affairs and the Minister of Technology consider that it would be desirable for the case for the increases in prices proposed to be examined independently by the National Board for Prices and Incomes.

Accordingly, in pursuance of their powers under section 2 (1) of the Prices and Incomes Act, 1966, the Secretary of State for Economic Affairs and the Minister of Technology hereby refer to the National Board for Prices and Incomes for examination the question of the increases in the prices of domestic appliances proposed by Hoover Limited.

8th February 1968.

##### Mercury Hearing-Aid Batteries

The Ministry of Technology were notified in December 1967 by Mallory Batteries Ltd. under the early warning arrangements of proposed increases in the prices of a wide range of special batteries. Among these were hearing-aid batteries, the prices of which had remained unchanged for several years while the manufacturing costs had risen substantially in the same period.

The increase in the prices of hearing-aid batteries has given rise to a large volume of public complaint. In the circumstances the Secretary of State for Economic Affairs and the Minister of Technology consider that it would be desirable for the case for the increase in price to be examined independently by the National Board for Prices and Incomes.

Accordingly, in pursuance of their powers under section 2 (1) of the Prices and Incomes Act, 1966, the Secretary of State for Economic Affairs and the Minister of Technology hereby refer to the National Board for Prices and Incomes for examination the question of the recent increase in prices of mercury hearing-aid batteries manufactured by Mallory Batteries Limited.

8th February 1968.