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FRIDAY, 27TH OCTOBER 1972

State Intelligence

BY THE QUEEN

A PROCLAMATION

Determining the Specifications and Design for the Twenty-Five New Pence Coins Commemorating Her Majesty's Silver Wedding Anniversary.

ELIZABETH R.

Whereas under section 3 (a), (b), (c) and (d) of the Coinage Act 1971 We have power, with the advice of Our Privy Council, by Proclamation to determine the denomination, design, dimensions, weight and composition of coins to be made at Our Mint and to determine the remedy to be allowed in the making of such coins:

And Whereas it appears to Us desirable to order that a Crown piece of twenty-five new pence should be made both in cupro-nickel and in silver to be issued to commemorate Our Silver Wedding Anniversary:

We, therefore, in pursuance of the said section 3 (a), (b), (c) and (d) and of all other powers enabling Us in that behalf, do hereby, by and with the advice of Our Privy Council, proclaim, direct and ordain as follows:

1. (1) A new coin of cupro-nickel of the denomination of twenty-five new pence shall be made, being a coin of a standard weight of 28.27590 grams, a standard diameter of 38.608 millimetres, and a standard composition of seventy-five per cent. copper and twenty-five per cent. nickel.

(2) In the making of the said cupro-nickel coin a remedy (that is, a variation from the standard weight, diameter or composition specified above) shall be allowed of an amount not exceeding the following, that is to say:—

- (a) a variation from the said standard weight of an amount per coin (measured as the average of a sample of not more than one kilogram of the coin) of 0.1296 grams; and
- (b) a variation from the said standard diameter of 0.125 millimetres per coin; and

(c) a variation from the said standard composition of two per cent.

(3) A new coin of silver of the denomination of twenty-five new pence shall be made, being a coin of a standard weight of 28.27590 grams, a standard diameter of 38.608 millimetres, and a standard composition of thirty-seven-fortieths fine silver, three-fortieths alloy; or millesimal fineness 925.

(4) In the making of the said silver coin a remedy (that is, a variation from the standard weight, diameter or composition specified above) shall be allowed of an amount not exceeding the following, that is to say:—

- (a) a variation from the said standard weight of an amount per coin (measured as the average of a sample of not more than one kilogram of the coin) of 0.1296 grams; and
- (b) a variation from the said standard diameter of 0.125 millimetres per coin; and
- (c) a variation from the said standard composition of five per mille.

2. The design for the said coins shall be as follows:—

For the obverse impression Our effigy with the inscription "ELIZABETH II D.G. REG. F.D.," and for the reverse the initials EP on a background of foliage with a figure of Eros between, all surmounted by a Royal Crown, with the inscription "ELIZABETH AND PHILIP. 20 NOVEMBER. 1947-1972". The coin shall have a graining upon the edge.

3. This Proclamation shall come into force on the twenty-seventh day of October One thousand nine hundred and seventy-two.

Given at Our Court at Windsor Castle, this twenty-third day of October, in the year of our Lord One thousand nine hundred and seventy-two, and in the Twenty-first year of Our Reign.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN