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COMMISSION.

By His Excellency Sir ANDREW CALDECOTT, Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Commander of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over the Island of Ceylon with the Territories and Dependencies thereof.



A. CALDECOTT.

To OLIVER ERNEST GOONETILLEKE, Esquire, and
CHARLES ERNEST JONES, Esquire.

GREETING.

WHEREAS I have deemed it necessary to issue a Commission to inquire into and report upon the matters hereinafter mentioned upon which information in my opinion is necessary and it is expedient that the Commission so appointed should have the power to hear evidence with a view to such inquiry and report:

Now Know Ye that I, ANDREW CALDECOTT, Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Commander of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over the Island of Ceylon with the Territories and Dependencies thereof, reposing great trust and confidence in your prudence, ability and fidelity, have, in pursuance of the powers vested in me by Ordinance No. 9 of 1872 and by Article 93 of the Ceylon (State Council) Order in Council, 1931, and by virtue of all other powers hereto enabling me, do by these presents nominate, constitute, and appoint you the said OLIVER ERNEST GOONETILLEKE (Chairman), and CHARLES ERNEST JONES, to be my Commissioners for the purpose of inquiring into the following matters, that is to say—

To investigate and report on the possibility of reducing public expenditure by changes in the organization, operative methods, staffing, cadre and salary standards of public departments.

And I do further hereby authorize and empower you to make all necessary inquiries in the said matter and to transmit to me before the thirty-first day of July, 1939, your report upon the matters referred to you as aforesaid.

And I do hereby request and require all public officers and other persons to whom you may apply for such information as may properly be given to assist you in your inquiries.

Given at Colombo under the seal of this Island, the first day of August, 1938.

By His Excellency's command,
E. R. SUDBURY,
Secretary to the Governor.