Assumption of the Office of Governor-General and Commander-in-Chief of New Zealand by Sir Edward Denis Blundell, G.C.M.G., K.B.E.

DENIS BLUNDELL, Governor-General

A PROCLAMATION

Whereas Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II was graciously pleased, by a Commission passed under the Royal Sign Manual and Signet, bearing date at Saint James's the 11th day of September 1972, to appoint me, Sir Edward Denis Blundell, to be Governor-General and Commander-in-Chief in and over New Zealand:

Now, therefore, I, the Governor-General and Commander-in-Chief aforesaid, hereby proclaim and declare that I have this day taken the prescribed oaths before the Right Honourable Sir Herbert Richard Churton Wild, Chief Justice of New Zealand, and that I have assumed the said office of Governor-General and Commander-in-Chief in and over New Zealand under and by virtue of Her Majesty's said Commission.

Given under the hand of His Excellency Sir Edward Denis Blundell, Knight Grand Cross of Our Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Knight Commander of Our Most Excellent Order of the British Empire, Governor-General and Commander-in-Chief in and over New Zealand; and issued under the Seal of New Zealand, this 27th day of September 1972.

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J. R. MARSHALL, Prime Minister.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

(I.A. 85/1/33A)
Commission Appointing Sir Edward Denis Blundell, G.C.M.G., K.B.E., to be Governor-General and Commander-in-Chief of New Zealand

The following Commission, appointing Sir Edward Denis Blundell to be Governor-General and Commander-in-Chief of New Zealand, is published for general information.

Dated at Wellington this 27th day of September 1972.

D. A. HIGHET, Minister of Internal Affairs.

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ELIZABETH THE SECOND, by the Grace of God of the United Kingdom, New Zealand, and Her other Realms and Territories Queen, Head of the Commonwealth, Defender of the Faith: To our Trusty and Well-beloved Sir Edward Denis Blundell, Knight Grand Cross of Our Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Knight Commander of Our Most Excellent Order of the British Empire, GREETING.

I. We do, by this Our Commission under Our Sign Manual and Signet, appoint you the said Sir Edward Denis Blundell to be, during Our pleasure, Our Governor-General and Commander-in-Chief in and over New Zealand, with all the powers, rights, privileges and advantages to the said Office belonging or appertaining.

II. And we do hereby authorise, empower, and command you to exercise and perform all and singular the powers and directions contained in certain Letters Patent under the Great Seal bearing date at Westminster the Eleventh day of May, 1917, constituting the said Office of Governor-General and Commander-in-Chief, and in certain other Letters Patent under the Great Seal, bearing date at Westminster the Eighteenth day of December, 1918, amending the same, or in any other Letters Patent adding to, amending, or substituted for the same, according to such Orders and Instructions as the Governor-General and Commander-in-Chief for the time being hath already received, or as you may hereafter receive from Us.

III. And We do hereby appoint that so soon as you shall have taken the prescribed Oaths and have entered upon the duties of your Office, this Our present Commission shall supersede Our Commission under Our Sign Manual and Signet, bearing date the Twentieth day of October, 1967, appointing Our Trusty and Well-beloved Sir Arthur Espie Porritt, Baronet, Knight Grand Cross of Our Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Knight Commander of Our Royal Victorian Order, Commander of Our Most Excellent Order of the British Empire (now Sir Arthur Espie Porritt, Baronet, Knight Grand Cross of Our Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Knight Grand Cross of Our Royal Victorian Order, Commander of Our Most Excellent Order of the British Empire), to be Our Governor-General and Commander-in-Chief in and over New Zealand.

IV. And We do hereby command all and singular Our Officers, Ministers and loving subjects in New Zealand, and all others whom it may concern, to take due notice hereof, and to give their ready obedience accordingly.

Given at Our Court at Saint James's, this Eleventh day of September 1972, in the Twenty-First Year of Our Reign.

By Her Majesty's Command.

[SEAL]

J. R. MARSHALL.

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