

EXTERNAL AFFAIRS BULLETIN

January—March, 1940

(A) DEMISE OF HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR GENERAL

1. *TEXT OF PROCLAMATION ISSUED BY ADMINISTRATOR ON FEBRUARY 11th:*

Whereas His late Majesty King George the Fifth was graciously pleased by a Commission under His Sign Manual and Signet, bearing date at the Court of St. James's the Tenth day of August, 1935, and in the Twenty-fifth year of His Reign, to appoint the Right Honourable John, Baron Tweedsmuir of Elsfield, to be Governor General and Commander in Chief of the Dominion of Canada;

And Whereas by Proclamations of His former Majesty King Edward the Eighth and of His Majesty King George the Sixth, the said Commission of the said Right Honourable John, Baron Tweedsmuir of Elsfield to be Governor General and Commander in Chief of the Dominion of Canada has been continued and confirmed;

And Whereas by Section VII of the Letters Patent bearing date the Twenty-third day of March, 1931, constituting the office of Governor General, and Commander in Chief of the Dominion of Canada, it is provided that in the event of the death of the Governor General, all and every the powers and authorities therein granted to him shall, until His Majesty's further pleasure is signified therein, be vested in such person as may be appointed by His Majesty under His Sign Manual and Signet to be the Lieutenant Governor of the said Dominion or if there shall be no such Lieutenant Governor in the said Dominion, then in such person or persons as may be appointed under His Majesty's Sign Manual and Signet to administer the Government of the same; and in case there shall be no person or persons within the said Dominion so appointed, then in the Chief Justice for the time being of the Supreme Court of the said Dominion, or in case of the death, incapacity, removal, or absence out of the said Dominion of the said Chief Justice for the time being, then in the Senior Judge for the time being of the said Supreme Court then residing in the said Dominion and not being under incapacity;

And Whereas it has pleased Almighty God to call to His Mercy the said The Right Honourable John, Baron Tweedsmuir of Elsfield, by his decease and under and in virtue of the Letters Patent aforesaid,