

WHEREAS under authority of the foregoing and certain other Parliamentary Votes, amounting in all to..\$12,212,941.08 there has been paid out to various Luxury or Excise Tax, and Reparations Claimants, up to Jan. 31, 1932,

a total principal sum of.....	6,449,399.75
plus interest thereon in the sum of.....	<u>3,329,134.43</u>
or a grand total of principal and interest of.....	\$ 9,778,534.18
plus amount paid for cost of Administration of Reparations claims only of.....	176,995.42
Surplus Jan. 31, 1932, for unpaid awards, anticipated and undecided Reparations Claims only.....	<u>2,257,411.48</u>
	\$12,212,941.08

The payment of interest was made retroactive to all claimants from the approximate dates of overpayment or loss to the approximate final dates of repayment or payment by the Crown, as shown in detail in (Exhibit A) herewith submitted; and

WHEREAS the action of the Fifteenth, Sixteenth and Seventeenth Parliaments successively and respectively, in these isolated instances only, has bound every Federal taxpayer to subscribe to the basic principle of this nation-wide appeal and petition, and in regard to Reparations payments the action of the Sixteenth and Seventeenth Parliaments went still further and bound every Federal taxpayer to subscribe both in principle, and in money as well, in order to give effect to these few isolated fair and equitable measures of redress, which were especially enacted in response to organized public opinion for the redress or benefit of a comparatively few taxpayers or citizens, but to which fair and equitable measure for redress, or benefit, (for the want of general statutory provision, such as herein requested) the average Federal taxpayer is debarred or denied, notwithstanding that he may have a claim against the Crown of even greater economic merit, and which could and should be paid from the interest earnings on his own money; and