

Proviso as to officer who is to exercise duties of Deputy Minister under Naval Service Act.

Provided, however, that all the powers, duties and functions vested in, or exercisable by, the Deputy Minister of the Naval Service by or under *The Naval Service Act* shall, in the event of an officer being appointed under the provisions of subsection three of section five of this Act, be administered, exercised and performed by such officer, and in the event of the appointment of such officer the term "Deputy Minister" wherever it appears or is referred to in *The Naval Service Act*, or in any order or regulation made under the said Act, shall mean such officer. 5

Powers of Air Board to be exercised by Minister.

(2) The powers, duties and functions vested in the Air Board by *The Air Board Act*, chapter eleven of the statutes of 1919, or by any order or regulation made thereunder, shall be administered, exercised and performed by or under the direction of the Minister. 10 15

Defence Council.

8. There shall be a Defence Council which shall consist of the Minister, the Deputy Minister and the officer appointed under the provisions of subsection three of section five of this Act, and of not more than four additional members, who shall be appointed by the Governor in Council. The Minister shall be the President of the Defence Council, and the Deputy Minister the Vice-President thereof, and, in the absence of the Minister, the Deputy Minister shall preside. 20

President, Vice-President.

Proviso.

Provided, however, that, in the event of no officer being appointed under the provisions of the said subsection three of section five of this Act, the number of such additional members may be increased to five. 25

Functions of Defence Council.

9. The Defence Council shall advise the Minister on all matters of Defence, including or relating to the Militia, the Military, Naval, and Air Services of Canada, and on all matters referred to it by the Minister. The Defence Council shall also perform such duties as may be prescribed by the Governor in Council. 30

Repeals.

10. The following Acts are hereby repealed to the extent hereby set forth:— 35

- (a) The Naval Service Act (Statutes of 1910, Chapter 43) Sections 5, 6 and 10.
- (b) The Militia Act (Revised Statutes, 1906, Chapter 41) Subsection 1 of section 5 and sections 6 and 7. 40
- (c) The Air Board Act (Statutes of 1919, Chapter 11) Section 2.