

that you do attend and Preside at the Meetings of Our said Executive Council, unless when prevented by some necessary and reasonable cause, and that in your Absence the Senior Member of the said Council actually present shall Preside at all such Meetings.

Governor to Preside.

*new*

VIII. And We do further Direct and Appoint that a full and exact Journal or Minute be kept of all the Deliberations, Acts, Proceedings, Votes, and Resolutions of Our said Council, and that at each Meeting of the said Council the Minutes of the last preceding Meeting be read over and confirmed or amended, as the case may require, before proceeding to the despatch of any other Business, and that Twice in each Year a Full Transcript of all the Minutes of the said Council of the preceding Half Year be transmitted to Us through One of Our Principal Secretaries of State.

*"By the Colonial Secretary omitted"*

Journals and Minutes to be kept and transmitted.

*new in this clause*

IX. And We do further Direct and Appoint that in the execution of the Powers and Authorities committed to you by Our said Commission, you do in all cases consult with Our said Executive Council, excepting only in cases which may be of such a nature that in your judgment Our Service would sustain material prejudice by consulting Our Council thereupon, or when the matters to be decided shall be too unimportant to require their advice, or too urgent to admit of their advice being given by the time within which it may be necessary for you to act in respect of any such matters. Provided that in all such Urgent Cases you do subsequently, and at the earliest practicable period, communicate to the said Council the measures which you may so have adopted, with the reasons thereof.

Governor to Consult Executive Council, except in certain specified cases.

X. And We do Authorize you in your Discretion, and if it shall in any case appear right, to act in the exercise of the Power committed to you by Our said Commission in opposition to the Advice which may in any such case be given to you by the Members of Our said Executive Council: Provided, Nevertheless, that in any such case you do fully report to us, by the first convenient opportunity, every such proceeding, with the grounds and reasons thereof: Provided Also that in every case it shall be competent to any Member of Our said Council to record at length on the Minutes of the Council

Governor may act in Opposition to the Council.

Report grounds for so doing.