

from time to time as you shall find convenient for Our service to be imparted to them.

VI.

Members of Council to have freedom of Debate and Vote.

You are to permit the Members of Our said Council to have and enjoy Freedom of Debate and Vote in all affairs of public concern that may be submitted to their consideration in Council.

VII.

Vacancies in the Council.

And Whereas by our Commission you are empowered, in case of the death or absence of any of the Members of Our said Council, to fill up the vacancies therein to the number of *Seven*, and no more; You are therefore from time to time to send to Us, through one of Our Principal Secretaries of State, the names and qualifications of any Members by you put into Our said Council, by the first opportunity after so doing.

VIII.

Council not to be augmented or diminished.

You are neither to augment or diminish the number of the Members of Our said Council as already established, nor to suspend any of them without good and sufficient cause, nor without the consent of the majority of the said Council, signified in Council after due examination of the charge against such Councillor, and his answer thereunto; and in case of the suspension of any of them, you are to cause your reasons for so doing, together with the charges and proofs against such Councillor, and his answer thereunto, to be duly entered upon the Council Book, and forthwith to transmit Copies thereof to Us, through one of Our Principal Secretaries of State. Nevertheless, if it should happen that you should have reasons for suspending any of the Members of Our said Council, not fit to be

Suspension of Councillors.