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amended by adding the following Clause, after Clause VII:

"VIIA. Whenever and so often as the Governor General shall be temporarily absent from the Dominion, with Our permission, for the purpose of visiting some neighbouring State or territory, for a period not exceeding one month, then and in every such case the Governor General may continue to exercise all and every the powers vested in him as fully as if he were residing within the Dominion, including the power to appoint a Deputy or Deputies as provided in the Sixth Clause of these Our Letters Patent."

The practice is that when a Governor General leaves Canada and his successor has not yet arrived, the Chief Justice of Canada, under Clause VII, issues a Proclamation announcing that he has assumed administration of the Government and he continues to exercise the Executive Power until the new Governor General has arrived in Canada, has taken his Oath of Office, and has issued his Proclamation announcing that he has assumed the Government.

At the ceremony of Swearing-In of a new Governor General, the Commission appointing the Governor General is first read, the Governor General then takes the Oaths of Office and, in the presence of his Privy Council, he then signs his Proclamation announcing that he has taken over the Government. This Proclamation is read at the ceremony.

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