

IV.

And to the end that Our said Executive Council may be assisting to you in all affairs relating to Our Service, you are to communicate to them such and so many of these Our Instructions wherein their advice is mentioned to be requisite, and likewise all such others from time to time, as you shall find convenient for Our Service to be imparted to them.

Instructions to be communicated to Executive Council.

V.

You are to permit the Members of Our said Executive Council to have and enjoy freedom of debate and vote in all affairs of public concern which may be debated in the said Executive Council.

Members of Executive Council to have freedom of debate and vote.

VI.

And We do hereby declare, and it is Our pleasure, that Our said Executive Council shall not proceed to the dispatch of business unless duly summoned by your Authority, nor unless Three at least of the Members of the said Council be present and assisting at any Meetings at which any such business shall be dispatched. And We do further direct, that if in any case you see sufficient cause to dissent from the opinion of the major part or of the whole of Our said Executive Council upon any question brought by you under their consideration, it shall be competent to you, upon any such occasion to execute the powers and authorities vested in you by Our said Commission, and by these Our Instructions, in opposition to such their opinions; it being, nevertheless, Our pleasure that in every case it shall be competent to any Member of Our said Council to record at length, in the Minutes of Our Council, the grounds and reasons of any advice or opinion which he may give upon any question brought under the consideration of such Council.

Quorum of Executive Council.

Regulations for Governor and Council.

VII.

And We do hereby authorise you, by an Instrument under the Public Seal of Our said Island, to appoint one Member of Our said Executive Council to preside over the said Council in your absence, and to remove him and appoint another in his stead. And if during your absence the Member so appointed shall also be absent, then the Senior Member of the Council actually present shall preside; the seniority of the Members of the said Council being regulated according to the order of their respective appointments.

President of Executive Council, how appointed, in absence of Governor.

Senior Member in absence of President to act in his stead.

Seniority of Members, how regulated.

VIII.

And We do further direct and command that a full and exact Journal or Minute be kept of all the deliberations, acts, proceedings, votes and resolutions of Our said Executive Council; and that at each Meeting of the said Council the Minutes of the last preceding Meeting shall be read over, confirmed or amended, as the case may require, before proceeding to the dispatch of any other business.

Minutes of Council to be recorded.

IX.

And whereas We have by Our said Commission ordained and appointed that the Legislative Council for Our said Island shall be com-

Legislative Council, how composed.