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At the Court at *Buckingham Palace*, the 10th day of *August*, 1904.

PRESENT,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS an Army Council has been constituted under His Majesty's Letters Patent, and it is expedient to make such provision as is hereinafter contained with respect thereto:

Now, therefore, His Majesty, by and with the advice of His Privy Council, is pleased to order, and it is hereby ordered as follows:—

1. The Secretary of State is to be responsible to His Majesty and Parliament for all the business of the Army Council.

All business, other than business which the Secretary of State specially reserves to himself, is to be transacted in the following principal divisions:—

- (a.) The first military member of the Army Council (the Chief of the General Staff), the second military member of the Army Council (the Adjutant-General), the third military member of the Army Council (the Quarter-Master-General), and the fourth military member of the Army Council (the Master-General of Ordnance) to be responsible to the Secretary of State for the administration of so much of the business relating to the organization, disposition, personnel, armament, and maintenance of the Army as shall be assigned to them or each of them from time to time by the Secretary of State.
- (b.) The finance member of the Army Council to be responsible to the Secretary of State for the finance of the Army, and for so much of the other business of the Army Council as may be assigned to him from time to time by the Secretary of State.
- (c.) The civil member of the Army Council to be responsible to the Secretary of State for

the non-effective votes, and for so much of the other business of the Army Council as may be assigned to him from time to time by the Secretary of State.

2. The Secretary of the War Office will act as Secretary of the Army Council, and will be charged with the interior economy of the War Office, and the preparation of all official communications of the Council, and with such other duties as the Secretary of State may from time to time assign to him.

*A. W. FitzRoy.*

At the Court at *Buckingham Palace*, the 10th day of *August*, 1904.

PRESENT,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS His Majesty has been pleased to appoint an Inspector-General of the Forces, and it is expedient to prescribe generally the duties of that Officer:

Now, therefore, His Majesty, by and with the advice of His Privy Council, is pleased to order, and it is hereby ordered as follows:—

The duties of the Inspector-General of the Forces, are, under the orders and direction of the Army Council, to review generally, and to report to the Army Council on, the practical results of the policy of that Council, and for that purpose to inspect and report upon the training and efficiency of all troops under the control of the Home Government, on the suitability of their armament and equipment, on the condition of fortifications and defences, and generally on the readiness and fitness of the Army for war.

*A. W. FitzRoy.*