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FRIDAY, 2 JUNE, 1939

At the Court of *Saint James*, the 25th day of *May*, 1939.

PRESENT,

HIS ROYAL HIGHNESS THE DUKE OF GLOUCESTER.

HIS ROYAL HIGHNESS THE DUKE OF KENT.
HER ROYAL HIGHNESS THE PRINCESS ROYAL.
HER ROYAL HIGHNESS PRINCESS ARTHUR OF CONNAUGHT.

Lord President.

Lord Macmillan.

Lord Chatfield.

Mr. Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster.

WHEREAS by Section 1 of the Reserve and Auxiliary Forces Act 1939 it is enacted that His Majesty may by Order in Council authorise the Admiralty and the Secretaries of State respectively to call out for service all or any of the members of His reserve and auxiliary forces, if satisfied that their service is urgently required for ensuring preparedness for the defence of the realm against any external danger, and to give directions as to the calling out for service under that Act of persons authorised by the Order to be called out, and for the termination of such service as the occasion may require, and to vary or revoke any such directions:

And whereas His Majesty in pursuance of Section 6 of the Regency Act, 1937, was pleased, by Letters Patent dated the 5th day of May 1939, to delegate and grant unto Her Majesty The Queen, His Royal Highness The Duke of Gloucester, K.G., K.T., K.P., G.C.M.G., G.C.V.O., His Royal Highness The Duke of Kent, K.G., K.T., G.C.M.G., G.C.V.O., Her Royal Highness The Princess Royal, C.I., G.C.V.O., G.B.E., and Her Royal Highness Princess Arthur of Connaught, or any two of them, as Counsellors of State, full power and authority during the period of His

Majesty's absence from the United Kingdom to summon and hold on His Majesty's behalf His Privy Council and to signify thereat His Majesty's approval of any matter or thing to which His Majesty's approval in Council is required:

Now therefore His Royal Highness The Duke of Gloucester, His Royal Highness The Duke of Kent, Her Royal Highness The Princess Royal and Her Royal Highness Princess Arthur of Connaught, being authorised thereto by the said Letters Patent do hereby, by and with the advice of His Majesty's Privy Council, on His Majesty's behalf order as follows:—

1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Reserve and Auxiliary Forces (Army) Order 1939.

(2) The Interpretation Act, 1889, applies for the purpose of the interpretation of this Order in like manner as it applies for the purpose of the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

(3) This Order shall cease to have effect on 31st May, 1940.

2. His Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for the War Department is hereby authorised to call out for service all or any of the members of His Majesty's reserve and auxiliary forces, hereinafter specified, namely members of the regular army reserve of officers, the supplementary reserve of officers, the army reserve (including the militia) and the territorial army if satisfied that their service is urgently required for ensuring preparedness for the defence of the realm against any external danger, and the Secretary of State is hereby further authorised to give directions as to the calling out for service under the Reserve and Auxiliary Forces Act, 1939, of persons authorised by this Order to be called out, and for the termination of such service as the occasion may require, and to vary or revoke any such directions.

Rupert B. Howorth.