WHEREAS on and since 5th October, 1968, sporadic outbreaks of violence and civil disturbance have occurred in Northern Ireland in consequence of the activities of certain bodies.

AND WHEREAS it is desired to investigate the causes and circumstances thereof.

NOW THEREFORE I, RALPH FRANCIS ALNWICK, BARON GREY OF NAUNTON, Knight Grand Cross of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Knight Commander of the Royal Victorian Order, Officer of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire, Governor of Northern Ireland, reposing great trust and confidence in your knowledge and ability hereby authorise and appoint you

The Honourable Lord Cameron, D.S.C. (Chairman)

Professor Sir John Biggart, C.B.E.

James Joseph Campbell, Esq., M.A.

Commissioners to hold an enquiry into and to report upon the course of events leading to, and the immediate causes and nature of, the violence and civil disturbance in Northern Ireland on and since 5th October, 1968; and to assess the composition, conduct and aims of those bodies involved in the current agitation and in any incidents arising out of it:

AND for the better effecting the purposes of this Commission I hereby grant unto you, or any of you, full power to call before you such persons as you shall judge likely to afford you any information upon the subject of this Commission; to call for information in writing; and also to call for, have access to and examine all such books, documents, registers and records as may afford you the fullest information on the subject, and to enquire of and concerning the premises by all other lawful ways and means whatsoever:

AND I hereby authorise and empower you, or any of you, to visit and personally inspect such places as you may deem it expedient so to inspect for the more effectual carrying out of the purposes aforesaid:
AND I hereby direct that this Commission shall continue in full force and virtue, and that you, or any of you, may from time to time proceed in the execution thereof, and of every matter and thing therein contained, although the same be not continued from time to time by adjournment:

AND I further authorise you to report your proceedings under this Commission from time to time if you shall judge it expedient so to do:

AND I further request and desire that you shall, with as little delay as possible, report your opinion upon the matters herein submitted for your consideration.

Given at Government House, Hillsborough, this 3rd day of March, 1969.

By His Excellency's Command.

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