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Prime Minister's Department,
Melbourne, 21st December, 1921.

IIS Excellency the Governor-General in Council has been pleased to establish the following Department of State of the Commonwealth, viz.:—

THE DEPARTMENT OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS.

W. M. HUGHES, Prime Minister.

Prime Minister's, Department,
Melbourne, 21st December, 1921.

Excellency the Governor-General in Council has been pleased to establish the following Department of State of the Commonwealth in lieu of the existing Departments of Defence and of the Navy, viz.:—

THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE.

W. M. HUGHES, Prime Minister.

Federal Government House,

Melbourne, 21st December, 1921.

Excellency the Governor-General directs it to be notified, for general information, that he has been pleased to accept the resignation of—

The Right Honorable Sir Joseph Cook, P.C., G.C.M.G., of his appointment as Treasurer;

The Honorable George Henry Wise, M.P., of his appointment as Postmaster-General;

The Honorable William Henry Laird Smith, M.P., of his appointment as Minister of State for the Navy.

By His Excellency's Command,

J. H. STARLING,

Official Secretary to the Governor General.

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Federal Government House,
Melbourne, 21st December, 1921.

IIIS Excellency the Governor-General directs it to be notified, for general information, that

Captain STANLEY MELBOURNE BRUCE, M.C., M.P., The Honorable RICHARD WITTY FOSTER, M.P., and Senator the Honorable John Earle,

have this day been chosen and summoned to be Members of the Federal Executive Council, and have been sworn as Executive Councillors.

By His Excellency's Command,

J. H. STARLING, Secretary to the Federal Executive Council.

Federal Government House,
Melbourne, 21st December, 1921.

HIS Excellency the Governor-General directs it to be notified, for general information, that he has been pleased to direct and appoint the following Members of the Federal Executive Council to hold the offices mentioned opposite their respective names, and to administer the Departments of State connected with such offices:—

The Right Honorable WILLIAM MORRIS HUGHES, P.C., K.C., M.P., to be Minister of State for External Affairs.

Senator the Right Honorable George Foster Pearce, P.C., to be Minister of State for Home and Territories.

The Honorable Littleton Ernest Groom, M.P., to be Attorney-General.

The Honorable Walter Massy Greene, M.P., to be Minister of State for Defence.

The Honorable ALEXANDER POYNTON, O.B.E., M.P., to be Postmaster-General.

The Honorable ARTHUR STANISLAUS RODGERS, M.P., to be Minister of State for Trade and Customs.

Captain the Honorable STANLEY MELBOURNE BRUCE, M.C., M.P., to be Treasurer.

The Honorable RICHARD WITTY FOSTER, M.P., to be Minister of State for Works and Railways.

By His Excellency's Command,

J. H. STARLING, Official Secretary to the Governor-General.

Federal Government House,
Melbourne, 21st December, 1921.

IIIS Excellency the Governor-General directs it to be notified, for general information, that he has been pleased to appoint Senator the Honorable John Earle to be Vice-President of the Federal Executive Council, vice Senator the Honorable Edward John Russell.

By His Excellency's Command,

J. H. STARLING, Secretary to the Federal Executive Council.

Federal Government House, Melbourne, 22nd December, 1921.

IIIS Excellency the Governor-General directs it to be notified, for general information, that

HECTOR LAMOND, Esquire, M.P.,

has been chosen and summoned to be a Member of the Federal Executive Council, and has been sworn as an Executive Councillor.

By His Excellency's Command,

J. H. STARLING, Secretary to the Federal Executive Council.