

FALKLAND ISLANDS

The Falkland Islands Letters Patent, 1954

ELIZABETH THE SECOND, by the Grace of God of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and of Our other Realms and Territories Queen, Head of the Commonwealth, Defender of the Faith.

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME, GREETING!

Whereas it is expedient to amend the Falkland Islands Letters Patent, 1948(a), in manner hereinafter appearing :

NOW KNOW YE that We, by virtue and in exercise of the powers in that behalf by the British Settlements Acts, 1887 and 1945(b), and otherwise in Us vested, have ordered and declared and do hereby order and declare Our will and pleasure as follows :—

Citation, Construction and commencement

1.—(1) These Our Letters may be cited as the Falkland Islands Letters Patent, 1954, and shall be construed as one with the Falkland Islands Letters Patent, 1948.

(2) The Falkland Islands Letters Patent, 1948, and these Our Letters may be cited together as the Falkland Islands Letters Patent, 1948 and 1954.

(3) These Our Letters shall come into operation forthwith.

Insertion of new Article 13A in Falkland Islands Letters Patent, 1948

2. The Falkland Islands Letters Patent, 1948, shall be amended by the insertion, after Article 13 thereof, of the following new Article:—

“Concurrent 13A (1) When a holder of any office constituted by or under
appoint- these Letters Patent is on leave of absence pending relinquishment
ments, of his office, it shall be lawful for another person to be appointed
substantively to the same office.

(2) When two or more persons are holding the same office by reason of an appointment made pursuant to paragraph (1) of this Article, then for the purpose of any function conferred upon the holder of that office by these Letters Patent or by any Order in Our Privy Council made in exercise of the powers vested in Us by the British Settlements Acts, 1887 and 1945, or by any Instructions given to the Governor by Us under Our Sign Manual and Signet or through a Secretary of State the person last appointed to the office shall be deemed to be the holder of the Office.”

Reservation of power to amend or revoke Letters

3. We do hereby reserve to Ourselves, Our Heirs and Successors full power and authority to amend, add to or revoke these Our Letters as to Us or Them shall seem fit.

In Witness whereof We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent.

Witness Ourselves at Westminster the fifth day of July in the third year of Our Reign.

By Warrant under the Queen's Sign Manual.

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(a) Rev. VII, p. 586; S.I. 1948 I, p. 4719.

(b) 50 & 51 Vict. c. 54; 9 & 10 Geo. 6. c. 7.

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