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NEW ZEALAND.

CONFERENCE ON THE LIMITATION OF ARMAMENTS,

HELD AT WASHINGTON FROM THE 12TH NOVEMBER, 1921, TO THE 6TH FEBRUARY, 1922.

REPORT OF THE HON. SIR JOHN SALMOND, DELEGATE FOR THE
DOMINION OF NEW ZEALAND.

Presented to both Houses of the General Assembly by Command of His Excellency.

COMMISSION.

GEORGE, R.I.

GEORGE, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland and of the British Dominions beyond the Seas King, Defender of the Faith, Emperor of India, &c. To all and singular to whom these presents shall come: Greeting.

WHEREAS, for the better treating of and arranging certain matters which are now in discussion, or which may come into discussion, between Us and other Powers and States to be represented at the Conference which is shortly to assemble at Washington to consider the limitation of armaments and other questions of international importance, We have judged it expedient to invest a fit person with full power to conduct the said discussion on our part in respect of our Dominion of New Zealand: Know ye, therefore, that We, reposing especial trust and confidence in the wisdom, loyalty, diligence, and circumspection of our trusty and well-beloved Sir John William Salmond, Knight Bachelor, one of our Counsel learned in the Law, Judge of the Supreme Court of our said Dominion, have named, made, constituted, and appointed, as We do by these presents name, make, constitute, and appoint, him our undoubted Commissioner, Procurator, and Plenipotentiary in respect of our Dominion of New Zealand; giving to him all manner of power and authority to treat, adjust, and conclude with such Ministers, Commissioners, or Plenipotentiaries as may be vested with similar power and authority on the part of any Powers or States as aforesaid, any Treaties, Conventions, or Agreements that may tend to the attainment of the above-mentioned end, and to sign for Us, and in our name in respect of our Dominion of New Zealand, everything so agreed upon and concluded, and to do and transact all such other matters as may appertain thereto, in as ample manner and form, and with equal force and efficacy, as We ourselves could do if personally present; engaging and promising, upon our Royal word, that whatever things shall be so