And you are hereby further authorized to take into consideration, for the purposes of your inquiry and report, any information which the Government of any country or State, or of any province or other subordinate jurisdiction, or any officers or persons acting under any such Government or subordinate jurisdiction, may of their good pleasure cause to be supplied to you relative to the inquiries aforesaid.

And you are hereby strictly charged and directed that you shall not at any time publish or otherwise disclose, save to His Excellency the Governor-General in pursuance of these presents or by his direction, the contents or purport of any report so made or to be made by you.

And it is hereby declared that the powers and authorities conferred on you by these presents may be exercised by any two or more of you.

And it is hereby further declared that these presents shall continue in force although the inquiry is not regularly continued from time to time or from place to place.

In testimony whereof we have caused these our letters to be made Patent, and the Seal of our said Dominion to be hereunto affixed, at Wellington, in the said Dominion, this twenty-eighth day of August, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and twenty-five, and in the sixteenth year of our reign.

Witness our Trusty and Well-beloved Sir Charles Fergusson, Baronet, General on the Retired List and in the Reserve of Officers of Our Army, Doctor of Laws, Knight Grand Cross of Our Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Knight Commander of Our Honourable Order of the Bath, Companion of Our Distinguished Service Order, Member of Our Royal Victorian Order, Governor-General and Commander-in-Chief in and over Our Dominion of New Zealand and its Dependencies.

CHARLES FERGUSSON, Governor-General.

By His Excellency's command.

J. G. COATES, Prime Minister.