



DOCUMENTS RELATING TO
THE NEW GREAT SEAL OF AUSTRALIA
AND THE ROYAL STYLE AND TITLES ACT 1973
SIGNED DURING AND AFTER THE VISIT TO
AUSTRALIA BY HER MAJESTY THE QUEEN
IN 1973



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The Prime Minister of Australia presents also
for signature the following Letters of Credence, Letters of
Credence and Letters of Recall :

PRIME MINISTER

CANBERRA

(1) Her Majesty's Prime Minister of Australia
presents his duty to the Queen and respectfully informs
(2) her that a proposed law passed by the Senate and the House
(3) of Representatives of Australia entitled "An Act
(4) relating to the Royal Style and Titles" has been presented
(5) to His Excellency the Governor-General of Australia for
(6) the Queen's assent. The Governor-General has reserved
(7) this Bill for the Queen's pleasure, and the Prime Minister
(8) recommends that the Queen be pleased to assent.

(1) A proposed new Great Seal of Australia has also
(2) been prepared for the Queen's authorisation.

(3) The required formal documents to give effect to
(4) the proposed new Great Seal and the new Royal Style and
(5) Titles have been prepared and are enclosed. They comprise :

- (6)
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ROYAL WARRANT

The Prime Minister of Australia presents also for signature the following Letters of Credence, Letter of Commission and Letters of Recall :

- (1) Letters of Credence and Recall - Japan.
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- (3) Letters of Commission and Recall - India.
- (4) Letters of Credence and Recall - Mongolian People's Republic.
- (5) Letters of Credence and Recall - Union of Soviet Socialist Republics.
- (6) Letters of Credence and Recall - United States of America.



Prime Minister

Canberra, 19 October 1973

By Her Majesty's Command



Prime Minister

ROYAL WARRANT

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Elizabeth II", with a horizontal line underneath.

TO Our Governor-General of Australia

WITH THIS you will receive a Great Seal prepared by Our Order for the use of Our Government of Australia.

OUR WILL AND PLEASURE IS, and We do hereby authorize and direct, that the said Great Seal be used in sealing all things whatsoever that shall pass the Great Seal of Australia.

OUR WILL AND PLEASURE FURTHER IS that you do cause the Great Seal that accompanied Our Royal Warrant given at Our Court at Government House, Canberra, on 16 February 1954 to be defaced by you in Our Executive Council of Australia.

AND FOR SO DOING this shall be your Warrant.

GIVEN at Our Court at Government House, Canberra, on 19 October 1973.

By Her Majesty's Command,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "G. Whitlam".
Prime Minister

ROYAL WARRANT



TO all and singular to whom this
Warrant shall come, GREETING:

WHEREAS by Our Warrant given this day at Our Court at Government House,
Canberra, We authorized and directed that a Great Seal prepared by Our Order
for the use of Our Government of Australia be used in sealing all things what-
soever that should pass the Great Seal of Australia:

AND WHEREAS it is desirable that the said Great Seal be used as a Royal
Great Seal for certain purposes:

NOW THEREFORE Our Will and Pleasure is, and We do hereby authorize
and direct, that the said Great Seal be used as a Royal Great Seal in sealing
all things whatsoever (other than things that pass the said Great Seal) that
bear Our Sign Manual and the counter-signature of one of Our Ministers of
State for Australia.

GIVEN at Our Court at Government House, Canberra, on 19 October 1973.

By Her Majesty's Command,



Prime Minister

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OR



PRIME MINISTER
CANBERRA

Her Majesty's Prime Minister of Australia presents his duty to the Queen and respectfully informs the Queen that a proposed law passed by the Senate and the House of Representatives of Australia entitled "An Act relating to the Royal Style and Titles" was presented to His Excellency the Governor-General of Australia for the Queen's Assent.

His Excellency was advised that the Constitution of Australia did not require His Excellency to reserve the proposed law for the Queen's pleasure to be made known. His Excellency was further advised, however, that, under the Constitution, His Excellency might, in His Excellency's discretion, reserve the proposed law for the Queen's pleasure.

His Excellency was also advised that, in the opinion of the Australian Government, it would be appropriate that a Bill so closely affecting the Queen should be reserved for the Queen's pleasure and it was therefore recommended that His Excellency should reserve the Bill accordingly.

His Excellency has accepted the recommendation and has reserved the Bill for the Queen's pleasure.

It is the view of the Australian Government that the Queen should be pleased to assent to the Bill, and it is therefore recommended accordingly.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'G. Whitlam', written over a faint, illegible stamp.
Prime Minister

Canberra, 19 October 1973

PROCLAMATION

Australia

Paul Hasluck

By His Excellency the
Governor-General of
Australia

Governor-General

WHEREAS a proposed law entitled "An Act relating to the Royal Style and Titles" has been passed by both Houses of the Parliament of Australia:

AND WHEREAS, upon the proposed law being on 14 September 1973 presented to me for the Royal Assent, I declared that I reserved the proposed law for the signification of Her Majesty's pleasure:

AND WHEREAS the signification of Her Majesty's pleasure has been communicated to me:

NOW THEREFORE I, Sir Paul Meernaa Caedwalla Hasluck, the Governor-General of Australia, do hereby proclaim and make known that Her Majesty has been pleased to assent to the proposed law.

GIVEN under my Hand and the
Great Seal of Australia
on 19 October 1973.

By His Excellency's Command,

M. Whitlam

Prime Minister

ROYAL WARRANT

A PROCLAMATION




WHEREAS, by an Act of Our Australian Parliament entitled the *Royal Style and Titles Act* 1973, it is enacted that the assent of the said Parliament is given to the adoption by Us, for use in relation to Australia and its Territories, in lieu of the Style and Titles set forth in the Schedule to the Act of Our Australian Parliament entitled the *Royal Style and Titles Act* 1953, of the Style and Titles set forth in the Schedule to the firstmentioned Act, and to the issue for that purpose by Us of Our Royal Proclamation under such Seal as We by Warrant appoint:

NOW THEREFORE We do, by this Our Warrant, appoint the Great Seal of Australia, being the Seal that We have this day delivered to Our Governor-General of Australia, to be the Seal under which the said Royal Proclamation shall be issued.

GIVEN at Our Court at Government House, Canberra, on 19 October 1973.

By Her Majesty's Command,



Prime Minister

BY THE QUEEN
A PROCLAMATION



WHEREAS, by an Act of the Parliament of Australia entitled the *Royal Style and Titles Act 1973*, it is enacted that the Assent of the said Parliament is given to the adoption by Us, for use in relation to Australia and its Territories, in lieu of the Style and Titles at present pertaining to the Crown, of the Style and Titles set forth in the Schedule to that Act, and to the issue for that purpose by Us of Our Royal Proclamation under such Seal as We by Warrant appoint:


AND WHEREAS We have this day, by Our Warrant, appointed the Great Seal of Australia to be the Seal under which the said Royal Proclamation shall be issued:

NOW THEREFORE We do hereby appoint and declare that henceforth, so far as conveniently may be, on all occasions and in all instruments wherein Our Style and Titles are used in relation to Australia and its Territories, the following Style and Titles shall be used, that is to say:

Elizabeth the Second, by the Grace of God Queen of Australia and Her other Realms and Territories, Head of the Commonwealth.

GIVEN under the Great Seal
of Australia at Our Court
at Government House, Canberra,
on 19 October 1973.

By Her Majesty's Command,



Prime Minister

Pursuant to the Warrant of Her Majesty
Queen Elizabeth the Second, dated 19 October 1973, the
Great Seal referred to therein was this day defaced by
me in the Executive Council.

Paul Hasbulla

Governor-General

6 November 1973