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DRAFT ORDINANCE.

MINUTE.

The following Draft of a proposed Ordinance is published for general information:—

An Ordinance to provide for a contribution out of the Revenue of the Colony towards the cost of the present War.

Preamble.

WHEREAS, in testimony of their loyal and devoted allegiance to the King's Majesty and the British Empire, it is the desire of His Majesty's subjects in the Island of Ceylon, out of the revenues of the Colony, to make a contribution towards the cost of the present War: Be it therefore enacted by the Governor of Ceylon, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council thereof, as follows:

Short title.

1 This Ordinance may be cited as "The War Contribution Ordinance, No. of 1915."

Power of Governor to pay annual sum for ten years to Lords Commissioners of the Treasury.

2 It shall be lawful for the Governor, out of the general revenue of the Colony, to pay to the Lords Commissioners for the time being of His Majesty's Treasury in London a sum of £100,000 sterling annually for a period of ten years, from the financial year commencing on the 1st day of October, 1915, to the financial year commencing on the 1st day of October, 1924, inclusive.

By His Excellency's command,
Colonial Secretary's Office, Colombo, November 11, 1915. R. E. STUBBS,
Colonial Secretary.

Statement of Objects and Reasons.

THE object of this Ordinance is to enable the Colony to make a contribution of a million pounds sterling in ten annual instalments to the Mother country towards the cost of the present War.

Attorney-General's Chambers, Colombo, November 11, 1915. ANTON BERTRAM,
Attorney-General.