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Government Notifications

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By His Excellency the Right Honourable Lord SOULBURY, Knight Grand Cross of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Officer of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire, upon whom has been conferred the Decoration of the Military Cross Governor-General and Commander-in-Chief of the Island of Ceylon and its Dependencies.

Seal

SOULBURY

To DONALD ROSS RUTNAM Esquire O B E
BENTOTAGE LIONEL WILFRED FERNANDO,
Esquire A C A S A A
ARTHUR PERCIVAL ROWLANDS, Esquire, J P
GREETINGS

WHEREAS it appears to me to be necessary to appoint a Commission for the purposes hereinafter mentioned

Now, therefore, I, Herwald, Baron Soulbury, Governor-General, reposing great trust and confidence in your prudence, ability and fidelity, do in pursuance of the provisions of section 2 of the Commissions of Inquiry Act, No 17 of 1948 by these presents appoint you to be my Commissioners for the following purposes.—

- (1) to inquire into and report on the working of omnibus companies and such improvements therein as are considered necessary in the public interest, with particular reference to—
 - (a) the question whether or not the number of existing omnibuses is adequate to the purposes of passenger transport,
 - (b) the replacement of omnibuses which have ceased to be roadworthy,
 - (c) the organization, and efficiency of management, of omnibus companies,

(d) the standards of service, safety, comfort and convenience provided by omnibus companies to the travelling public, and

(e) the repair and overhaul facilities maintained by, and the workshop organisation of, omnibus companies,

(2) to investigate and report whether the existing omnibus fares are adequate to meet the reasonable costs of transportation and to provide a reasonable margin of profit, and, if not, to recommend any such revision of those fares as may be considered necessary,

(3) to investigate and report whether any steps have been taken by omnibus companies to comply with the provisions of section 67 of the Motor Traffic Act, No 14 of 1951, in order to become eligible for the grant of stage carriage permits authorising the provision of regular omnibus services on or after January 1, 1954

And I do hereby appoint you, the said Donald Ross Rutnam, to be the Chairman of the said Commission

And I do hereby authorise and empower you, the said Commissioners, to hold such inquiries and make such investigations into the aforesaid matters as may appear to you to be necessary and require you to transmit to me, as early as possible, a report thereon under your hand

And I do hereby direct that such part of any inquiry relating to the aforesaid matters as you may in your discretion determine shall not be held in public

And I do hereby require and direct all public officers and other persons, to whom you may apply for assistance or information of the purposes of your inquiry and investigations to render all such assistance and furnish all such information as may properly be rendered and furnished in that behalf

Given at Colombo, under the Seal of this Island, this Third day of December, One thousand Nine hundred and fifty-three

By His Excellency's command,

A C M HINGLEY,
Secretary to the Governor-General

Central Bank of Ceylon Notices

GENERAL BALANCE SHEET AS AT NOVEMBER 30, 1953

(Pursuant to Section 34 of the Monetary Law Act, No. 58 of 1949)

LIABILITIES	Rs	c.	Rs	c.	ASSETS	Rs	c.	Rs	c.
<i>Capital Accounts</i>					<i>International Reserve</i>				
Capital	15,000,000	0			Cash and balances abroad (including Treasury Bills)	104,229,179	23		
Surplus	10,000,000	0	25,000,000	0	Foreign Bills Discounted	11,035,320	73		
					Foreign Government Securities	128,234,641	05		
					Ceylon Government War Loan (Payment guaranteed by United Kingdom Government)	16,180,650	55	259,679,791	56
<i>Liabilities</i>					<i>Domestic Assets</i>				
Notes in circulation	343,266,067	25			Loans and advances to Government	81,400,000	0		
Coins in circulation	20,485,507	08	363,751,574	33	To others	2,150,000	0		
					Government and Government guaranteed securities	121,542,530	93	205,092,530	93
<i>Deposits</i>					<i>Other assets and accounts</i>				
Government Agencies and Institutions	392,745	06						7,792,298	95
Commercial Banks	61,986,192	47						472,564,621	44
International Organizations	852,227	98	64,182,616	88					
Others	370,275	69	19,630,	30 23					
Other liabilities and accounts			472,564,621	44					

N U. JAYAWARDENA,
Governor

D. C. GUNASEKERA,
Acting Chief Accountant

The above Balance Sheet has been audited under my direction. In my opinion, the Balance Sheet is properly drawn up in accordance with the books and records maintained by the Bank and the information and explanations furnished to me, so as to exhibit a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Central Bank of Ceylon as at November 30, 1953.

Colombo, December 7, 1953.

A WEERASINGHE,
Auditor-General.