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COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

ELIZABETH THE SECOND, by the Grace of God, Queen of Australia and Her other Realms and Territories, Head of the Commonwealth:

TO ALL to whom these Presents shall come.

GREETING:

WHEREAS by Letters Patent passed under the Great Seal of Australia, bearing date at St James's the fourteenth day of February 1975, We did establish a society of honour known as the 'Order of Australia' and made other provision with respect to membership and the Constitution of the Order:

AND WHEREAS by Letters Patent passed under the Great Seal of Australia, bearing date at St. James's the twenty-fourth day of May 1976, We established a new category of membership of the Order, namely, membership as a Knight or Dame of the Order:

AND WHEREAS We are desirous that His Royal Highness Charles, Prince of Wales, be a Knight of the Order having precedence of all Knights and Dames of the Order, other than Our Governor-General of the Commonwealth of Australia:

KNOW YOU that We, by these Presents, declare Our pleasure that the above-mentioned Letters Patent of the fourteenth day of February 1975 be further amended, but without prejudice to anything lawfully done thereunder, as set out in the Schedule:

IN WITNESS whereof We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent.

GIVEN under the Great Seal
of Australia at Our Court at
St James's on 14 March 1981

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By Her Majesty's Command,
MALCOLM FRASER
Prime Minister

Schedule

Amendment of the Constitution of the Order of Australia

After section 3 the following section is inserted:

- ‘3A. His Royal Highness Charles, Prince of Wales, shall be a Knight in the General Division of the Order and shall have precedence of all Knights and Dames of the Order other than the Governor-General of the Commonwealth of Australia’.