

Certified to be a true copy of a Minute of a Meeting of the Committee
of the Privy Council, approved by His Excellency the Governor
General on the 19th July, 1920



The Committee of the Privy Council, on the recommendation of the Honourable Arthur Meighen, the Prime Minister, submit the following Memorandum regarding certain of the functions of the Prime Minister,-

1. A Meeting of a Committee of the Privy Council is at the call of the Prime Minister and in his absence, of that of the senior Privy Councillor, if the President of the Council be absent;
2. The quorum of the Council being four, no submission, for approval to the Governor General, can be made with a less number than the quorum;
3. A Minister cannot make recommendations to Council affecting the discipline of the Department of another Minister;
4. The following recommendations are the special prerogative of the Prime Minister:-

Dissolution and Convocation of Parliament;

Appointment of Privy Councillors;

" " Cabinet Ministers;

" " Lieutenant Governors (including leave of absence to same);

" " Provincial Administrators;

" " Speaker of the Senate;

" " Chief Justices of all Courts;

" " Senators;

" " Sub-Committees of Council;

" " Treasury Board;

" " Committee of Internal Economy, House of Commons;

" " Deputy Heads of Departments;

" " Librarians of Parliament;

" " Crown Appointments in both Houses of Parliament;

" " Governor General's Secretary's Staff;

Recommendations in any Department.

The Committee advise that this Minute be issued under the Privy Seal, and that a certified copy thereof be attached, under the Great Seal of Canada, to the Commission of each Minister.

All which is respectfully submitted for Your Excellency's approval.

A. P. Henry

Clerk of the Privy Council.