(5) No business shall be transacted at any meeting of the Commission unless three members of the Commission are present.

(6) Subject to the preceding subsection, the Commission shall not be disqualified for the transaction of business by reason of any vacancy among its members, and the validity of the transaction of business by the Commission shall not be affected by reason only of the fact that some person who was not entitled so to do took part therein.

(7) Subject to the preceding provisions of this section and of any law whereby functions are conferred on the Commission, the Commission shall regulate and conduct its proceedings and despatch its business in such manner as the Commission thinks fit.

Remuneration, etc. of members of Commission

5.—(1) The remuneration and allowances (if any) of a member of the Commission appointed for any Colony shall be such as may from time to time be prescribed by or under any law enacted by the Legislature of that Colony or, if no such law in that behalf is for the time being in force, by the Administrator of that Colony:

Provided that the remuneration of any member of the Commission shall not be reduced during his continuance in office.

(2) Any remuneration for the time being payable to a member of the Commission appointed for any Colony shall be charged on and paid out of the revenues of that Colony.

W. G. Agnew.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Order, but is intended to indicate its general purport.)

This Order provides for the establishment of a Police Service Commission for Antigua, Dominica, Grenada, Montserrat, Saint Christopher Nevis and Anguilla, Saint Lucia and Saint Vincent.

EMERGENCY LAWS

1959 No. 2206

The Leeward Islands (Emergency Powers) Order in Council, 1959

Made - - - - 21*st December*, 1959
Coming into Operation 1*st January*, 1960

At the Court at Buckingham Palace, the 21st day of December, 1959

Present,

The Queen's Most Excellent Majesty in Council

Her Majesty, by virtue of the powers conferred on Her by section 3 of the Leeward Islands Act, 1956(a), and of all other powers enabling

(a) 4 & 5 Eliz. 2. c. 23.

Her in that behalf, is pleased, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, to order, and it is hereby ordered, as follows :—

Citation, commencement and revocation

1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Leeward Islands (Emergency Powers) Order in Council, 1959.

(2) This Order shall come into operation on the first day of January, 1960.

(3) The Leeward Islands (Emergency Powers) Order in Council, 1958(a), is revoked.

Interpretation

2.—(1) In this Order the expression "Administrator" includes any person for the time being performing the functions of the office of Administrator under the Letters Patent establishing that office and any person appointed to be a deputy to the Administrator under those Letters Patent, and the expression "Chief Minister" includes any person for the time being performing the functions of the office of Chief Minister under the Letters Patent establishing that office.

(2) The Colonies to which this Order applies are the Colonies of Antigua, Saint Christopher Nevis and Anguilla, Montserrat and the Virgin Islands.

Administrator may make emergency laws for his Colony

3.—(1) The Administrator of a Colony to which this Order applies may, during a period of emergency in that Colony, make such laws for the Colony as appear to him to be necessary or expedient for securing the public safety, the defence of the Colony or the maintenance of public order or for maintaining supplies and services essential to the life of the community.

(2) In the last foregoing subsection the expression "period of emergency" means a period beginning with a declaration made by the Administrator of the Colony by Proclamation published in that Colony that a public emergency exists therein and ending with a declaration so made that a public emergency no longer exists therein.

(3) The Administrator of a Colony to which this Order applies shall not be obliged to obtain the advice of the Executive Council of the Colony with respect to the exercise of the powers conferred upon him by this section, but (except in the case of the Administrator of the Colony of the Virgin Islands) he shall exercise those powers after consultation with the Chief Minister of the Colony unless, in the Administrator's judgment, circumstances make it impracticable to consult with the Chief Minister.

W. G. Agnew.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Order, but is intended to indicate its general purport.)

This Order revokes the Leeward Islands (Emergency Powers) Order in Council, 1958 (which conferred power to make emergency laws for the colonies of the Leeward Islands on the Governor of the Leeward Islands) and confers on the Administrator of each of those colonies power to make emergency laws for his colony.

(a) S.I. 1958/591 (1958 II, p. 1705).