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8 January 1991.

It is hereby notified for public information that His Excellency the Governor has approved the issue of the following Commission.

M. C. WAUCHOPE, Acting Chief Executive.

### COMMISSION

appointing

**THE HONOURABLE MR JUSTICE GEOFFREY ALEXANDER KENNEDY;  
THE HONOURABLE SIR RONALD DARLING WILSON AC KBE CMG QC; and  
THE HONOURABLE PETER FREDERICK BRINSDEN QC**

to be a Royal Commission.

WESTERN AUSTRALIA }  
FRANCIS BURT, }  
Governor. }  
[L.S.] }

By His Excellency the Honourable Sir Francis Theodore Page Burt, Companion of the Order of Australia, Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Queen's Counsel, Governor of the State of Western Australia.

**To: THE HONOURABLE MR JUSTICE GEOFFREY ALEXANDER KENNEDY;  
THE HONOURABLE SIR RONALD DARLING WILSON AC KBE CMG QC; and  
THE HONOURABLE PETER FREDERICK BRINSDEN QC:**

By this commission issued with the advice and consent of the Executive Council, I, the Governor—

(1) Appoint you to be a Royal Commission to inquire and report as follows:

1. To inquire whether there has been—

- (a) corruption;
- (b) illegal conduct; or
- (c) improper conduct,

by any person or corporation in the affairs, investment decisions and business dealings of the Government of Western Australia or its agencies, instrumentalities and corporations in respect of the matters referred to in Schedule 1, and to report whether—

- (d) any matter should be referred to an appropriate authority with a view to the institution of criminal proceedings; or
- (e) changes in the law of the State, or in administrative or decision making procedures, are necessary or desirable in the public interest.

#### Schedule 1

- 1.1 The matters referred to under the headings "WA State Government Funding of Rothwells following October 1987 Stock Market crash", "Share Trading by the SGIC and the GESB in Rothwells and Paragon shares" and "SGIC trading in Bell Group shares" in the annexures to Chapter 11 of Part 1 of the "Report of Inspector on a Special Investigation into Rothwells Ltd" by M. J. McCusker QC.
- 1.2 The purchase by the State Government Insurance Commission of shares in the Broken Hill Proprietary Company Limited from interests associated with the late Robert Holmes a Court.
- 1.3 The Kwinana petrochemical project.