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PROCLAMATION

By His Excellency Major-General Sir Winston Joseph Dugan, Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Companion of the Most Honorable Order of the Bath, Companion of the Most Distinguished Service Order, Governor of the State of Victoria and its Dependencies in the Commonwealth of Australia, &c., &c., &c.; Vice-Admiral of the State of Victoria.

WHEREAS, in pursuance of the powers conferred by or under the *Prize Courts Act* 1894 and the *Colonial Courts of Admiralty Act* 1890 and of certain commissions warrants and instructions issued under the said first-mentioned Act, I as Vice-Admiral of the said State did on the 5th day of September One thousand nine hundred and thirty-nine, and the 11th day of June One thousand nine hundred and forty, and the 8th day of December One thousand nine hundred and forty-one, and the 6th day of January, 1942, proclaim that War had broken out between His Majesty King George VI. and the foreign States of Germany, Italy, and the Republic of Finland, the Kingdom of Hungary, the Kingdom of Rumania, the Japanese Empire and the Kingdom of Bulgaria respectively.

And whereas I am satisfied from information received by me that a state of War exists between His said Majesty and the Kingdom of Thailand and has so existed as from the 2nd day of March, One thousand nine hundred and forty-two at Three o'clock in the afternoon reckoned according to the standard time in the Australian Capital Territory.

And whereas it is necessary for the purposes of the said Acts and the commissions warrants and instructions or any of them issued thereunder that a Proclamation should be made by me to that effect.

Now therefore I, Sir Winston Joseph Dugan, in my capacity as Vice-Admiral aforesaid do hereby proclaim accordingly that as from the date and hour aforesaid War has broken out between His Majesty King George VI. and the Kingdom of Thailand.

Given under my Hand and Seal, at Government House, Melbourne, this thirteenth day of March, in the year of our Lord One thousand nine hundred and forty-two, and in the sixth year of the reign of His Majesty King George VI.

(L.S) WINSTON DUGAN.

By His Excellency's Command,

A. A. DUNSTAN.

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