## Constitution and Proceedings of Board of Trustees

(1) The Board shall consist of a President and twenty-four other members, of whom seventeen shall be appointed members and seven ex-officio members.

Of the appointed members-
(a) eleven shall be persons appointed by the Treasury;
(b) one shall be a person appointed by the Admiralty;
(c) one shall be a person appointed by the Secretary of State for War;
(d) one shall be a person appointed by the Secretary of State for the Colonies;
(e) one shall be a person appointed by the Secretary of State for India;
(f) one shall be a person appointed by the Board of Education;
(g) one shall be a person appointed by the Secretary of State for Air.

The ex-officio members shall consist of the following persons:-
The First Commissioner of Works;
The Director and Principal Librarian of the British Museum;
The High Commissioner for the Dominion of Canada;
The High Commissioner for the Commonwealth of Australia;
The High Commissioner for the Dominion of New Zealand;
The High Commissioner for the Union of South Africa;
The High Commissioner for Newfoundland.
(2) His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales shall be the first President of the Board, and any subsequent President shall be such person as His Majesty shall nominate in that behalf.
(3) The appointed members of the Board shall hold office for such time as may be specified in their respective appointments.
(4) If any vacancy occurs by death, resignation, effluxion of time, or otherwise, in the office of any appointed member of the Board, the vacancy shall be filled by appointment by the person by whom that member was appointed, and any person appointed to fill a casual vacancy shall hold office so long only as the member in whose place he is appointed would have held office.
(5) Any person ceasing to be an appointed member of the Board shall be eligible for reappointment.
(6) The powers of the Board may be exercised notwithstanding any vacancy in their number.
(7) The Board may appoint a member of the Board to be Vice-President of the Board, and in the absence of the President the Vice-President shall preside at meetings of the Board.
(8) The Board may, with the consent of the Treasury, make rules-
(a) for regulating the proceedings (including quorum) of the Board; and
(b) for enabling the Board to constitute committees and to include as members of committees persons who are not members of the Board; and
(c) for authorising the delegation to committees of all or any of the powers of the Board (other than the power to buy or sell land) and for regulating the proceedings (including quorum) of committees.

