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To the Right Honourable JAMES STUART, M.V.O., M.C., M.P.,
Her Majesty's Secretary of State for Scotland.

SIR,

We, the Boundary Commission for Scotland, constituted in accordance with the House of Commons (Redistribution of Seats) Act, 1949, beg to submit this Report in terms of section 2 (3) of the Act with respect to the areas comprised in the following constituencies :

- (i) the county constituency of Clackmannan and East Stirlingshire and the burgh constituency of Stirling and Falkirk Burghs ;
- (ii) the county constituencies of Motherwell, Bothwell and North Lanarkshire and the burgh constituency of Coatbridge and Airdrie ;
- (iii) the county constituency of West Fife and the burgh constituency of Kirkcaldy Burghs ;
- (iv) the county constituency of West Renfrewshire and the burgh constituency of Greenock.

Notice of our intention to consider making a report with respect to these areas was submitted to you on 14th August, 1952, and was published in the Edinburgh Gazette on 19th August.

The recommendations herein proposed would effect slight adjustments of Parliamentary boundaries to conform to changes made to local government boundaries, particulars of which are referred to below. Their purpose is to bring the position in the above areas into compliance with the provisions of Rule 4(1)(b) of the Second Schedule to the Act, which Rule requires that in Scotland, so far as is practicable, no burgh other than a county of a city shall be included partly in one constituency and partly in another.

As required by the Act, we published our proposed recommendations in at least one newspaper circulating in each constituency affected by them and thereby afforded facilities for those who wished to do so to submit to us representations relating to the proposals. No representations were received with regard to any of the proposals, and after careful consideration of all information at our disposal, we have decided to make the final recommendations set out herein below.

1. The County Constituency of Clackmannan and East Stirlingshire and the Burgh Constituency of Stirling and Falkirk Burghs.

By section six of the Order scheduled to the Falkirk Burgh Extension, etc., Order Confirmation Act, 1951, an area in the county constituency of Clackmannan and East Stirlingshire was added as from 16th May, 1951, to the burgh of Falkirk, which is included in the burgh constituency of Stirling and Falkirk Burghs. We recommend that the area so added to that burgh should be transferred to the burgh constituency of Stirling and Falkirk Burghs, and that

accordingly the areas respectively comprised in these two constituencies should be :

Clackmannan and East Stirlingshire

- (i) the county of Clackmannan inclusive of all the burghs situated therein;
- (ii) the Eastern No. 1, Eastern No. 2 and Eastern No. 3 districts of the county of Stirling.

Stirling and Falkirk Burghs

The burghs of Stirling, Falkirk and Grangemouth.

2. The County Constituencies of Motherwell, Bothwell and North Lanarkshire and the Burgh Constituency of Coatbridge and Airdrie

By section six of the Order scheduled to the Airdrie Corporation Order Confirmation Act, 1951, areas in the county constituencies of Bothwell and North Lanarkshire were added as from 16th May, 1951, to the burgh of Airdrie, which is included in the burgh constituency of Coatbridge and Airdrie.

By section five of the Order scheduled to the Motherwell and Wishaw Burgh Order Confirmation Act, 1952, areas in the county constituencies of Bothwell and North Lanarkshire were added as from 16th May, 1952, to the burgh of Motherwell and Wishaw, which is included in the county constituency of Motherwell.

We recommend that the areas so added to each of these burghs should be transferred to the burgh constituency of Coatbridge and Airdrie and the county constituency of Motherwell respectively, and that accordingly the areas respectively comprised in these four constituencies should be :—

Motherwell

- (i) the burgh of Motherwell and Wishaw ;
- (ii) the electoral division of Dalziel-Overtown in the seventh district.

Bothwell

The sixth district, the electoral divisions of Baillieston, Mount Vernon and Carmyle, Springboig and Garrowhill in the ninth district and that part of the electoral division of Old Monkland in the said ninth district which is bounded on the North by the city of Glasgow and the burgh of Coatbridge, on the West by the electoral division of Baillieston and on the South and East by the electoral divisions of Tannochside, Bothwellpark and Bellshill North.

North Lanarkshire

The ninth district so far as not included in the Bothwell constituency and the seventh district so far as not included in the Motherwell constituency.

Coatbridge and Airdrie

The burghs of Coatbridge and Airdrie.

3. The County Constituency of West Fife and the Burgh Constituency of Kirkcaldy Burghs

By Sheriff's deliverance dated 17th July, 1951, under section 131 of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1947, an area in the county constituency of West Fife was added as from 16th May, 1951, to the burgh of Buckhaven and Methil,

which is included in the burgh constituency of Kirkcaldy Burghs. We recommend that the area so added to that burgh should be transferred to the burgh constituency of Kirkcaldy Burghs and that accordingly the areas respectively comprised in these two constituencies should be :

West Fife

The burghs of Culross, Leslie and Markinch. The districts of Dunfermline, Kirkcaldy and Lochgelly, and the Wemyss district in so far as not included in the East Fife constituency.

Kirkcaldy Burghs

The burghs of Kirkcaldy, Buckhaven and Methil, Burntisland and Kinghorn.

4. The County Constituency of West Renfrewshire and the Burgh Constituency of Greenock.

By Sheriff's deliverance dated 25th January, 1952, an area in the county constituency of West Renfrewshire was added as from 16th May, 1952, to the burgh of Greenock, which forms the burgh constituency of Greenock.

We recommend that the area so added to that burgh should be transferred to the burgh constituency of Greenock, and that accordingly the areas respectively comprised in these two constituencies should be :

West Renfrewshire

- (i) the burghs of Port Glasgow, Gourock and Johnstone ;
- (ii) the third, fourth and fifth districts of the county of Renfrew.

Greenock

The burgh of Greenock.

I have the honour to be, Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

CHARLES MACKINTOSH

Deputy Chairman

for the Boundary Commission for Scotland.

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