WHEREAS there was this day read at the Board a Report of a Committee of the Lords of Her Majesty’s Most Honourable Privy Council, dated the 1st day of July, 1960, in the words following, viz.:

‘YOUR MAJESTY having been pleased, by Your Order of the 16th Day of March, 1960, to refer unto this Committee the humble Petition of the Right Honourable Sir Winston Leonard Spencer Churchill, K.G., O.M., C.H., and others, praying for the grant of a Charter of Incorporation constituting a Body Politic and Corporate by the name and style of “The Master, Fellows and Scholars of Churchill College in Cambridge”: ‘

‘THE LORDS OF THE COMMITTEE, in obedience to Your Majesty’s said Order of Reference, have taken the said Petition into consideration, and do this day agree humbly to report, as their opinion, to Your Majesty, that a Charter may be granted by Your Majesty in terms of the Draft hereunto annexed.’

HER MAJESTY, having taken into consideration the said Report, and the Draft Charter accompanying it, was pleased, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, to approve thereof, and to order, as it is hereby ordered, that the Right Honourable Richard Austen Butler, one of Her Majesty’s Principal Secretaries of State, do cause a Warrant to be prepared for Her Majesty’s Royal Signature, for passing under the Great Seal a Charter in conformity with the said Draft, which is hereunto annexed.

W G Agnew
ELIZABETH THE SECOND

BY THE GRACE OF GOD OF THE UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND AND OF OUR OTHER REALMS AND TERRITORIES QUEEN, HEAD OF THE COMMONWEALTH, DEFENDER OF THE FAITH.

To all to whom these Presents shall come, Greeting!

WHEREAS a Petition has been presented unto Us by Our right trusty and well-beloved Counsellor Sir Winston Leonard Spencer Churchill, Knight of Our Most Noble Order of the Garter, Member of the Order of Merit, Member of the Order of the Companions of Honours; Our right trusty and well-beloved Edgar Douglas Baron Adrian, Member of the Order of Merit; Our trusty and well-beloved Noel Gilroy Annan, Officer of Our Most Excellent Order of the British Empire, and William John Carron, Esquires; Our right trusty and well-beloved Counsellor Oliver Viscount Chandos, Companion of Our Distinguished Service Order, upon whom has been conferred the Decoration of the Military Cross; Our trusty and well-beloved Sir John Douglas Cockcroft, Member of the Order of Merit, Knight Commander of Our Most Honourable Order of the Bath, Commander of Our Most Excellent Order of the British Empire; Brian Westerdale Downs, Esquire; Sir Alexander Fleck, Knight Commander of Our Most Excellent Order of the British Empire; Our right trusty and well-beloved Frederick Baron Godber; Marshal of Our Royal Air Force Our right trusty and well-beloved Arthur William Baron Tedder, Knight Grand Cross of Our Most Honourable Order of the Bath; Our trusty and well-beloved Sir Alexander Robertus Todd, Knight and Our right trusty and well-beloved Ronald Morce Baron Weeks, Knight Commander of Our Most Honourable Order of the Bath, Commander of Our Most Excellent Order of the British Empire, Companion of Our Distinguished Service Order, upon whom have been conferred the Decoration of the Military Cross and the Territorial Decoration, which sheweth:

That funds have been raised by public subscription to establish and carry on at Cambridge a College to be called Churchill College as a memorial to the said Sir Winston Leonard Spencer Churchill:

That the petitioners are the trustees of those funds and hold the same upon the trusts of a trust deed dated the sixth day of May in the year of our Lord One thousand nine hundred and fifty-eight (the trustees for the time being of which trust deed are hereinafter called ‘the Churchill Trustees’):

And that the Petitioners as such trustees have begun the building of the College and have appointed a Master-elect thereof, namely the said Sir John Douglas Cockcroft and have appointed certain Fellows-designate thereof and that the said College will shortly open for the reception of students:

AND WHEREAS by the said Petition the Petitioners have most humbly prayed that We would be graciously pleased to grant a Charter in such terms as might seem to Us proper for the purpose of constituting the Master, Fellows and Scholars of the said College a body corporate:

AND WHEREAS We have taken the said Petition into Our Royal Consideration and are minded to accede thereto.
NOW THEREFORE KNOW YE that We by virtue of Our Royal Prerogative in that behalf and of all other powers enabling Us so to do of Our especial grace, certain knowledge and mere motion have granted, willed, directed and ordained and by these Presents do for Us, Our Heirs and Successors grant, will direct and ordain as follows:

1. The first Master and first Fellows of the College and all such persons as may hereafter become members of the body corporate hereby constituted shall for ever hereafter be one body politic and corporate by the name and style of 'The Master, Fellows and Scholars of Churchill College in Cambridge' (hereinafter referred to as 'the College') and by the same name shall have perpetual succession and a Common Seal with power to break, alter and make anew the said Seal from time to time at their will and pleasure and by the same name shall and may sue and be sued in all Courts and before all Justices of Us, Our Heirs and Successors.

2. By the same name they shall have full power and capacity to accept, acquire and hold any personal property whatsoever and shall also without any further authority by virtue of this Our Charter have full power and capacity (without licence in mortmain) to accept, acquire and hold any lands and hereditaments situate in Our United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and they shall have full power to dispose of either by way of sale or lease and to exchange, mortgage, charge, improve, manage, develop, turn to account or otherwise deal with all or any part of such property real or personal belonging to the College upon such terms and such manner as they shall see fit and also to do all other matters incidental or appertaining to a body corporate. Provided always that nothing in this Article shall be deemed to empower the College to dispose of or deal with its property in the manner above mentioned without first obtaining such consent (if any) as would otherwise be required by law.

3. The College is incorporated and shall be conducted with the following objects:

(a) To advance education, learning and research especially in the field of science and technology.

(b) To provide a College wherein members of Our University of Cambridge may work for degrees in that University, or may carry out post-graduate studies or other special studies at Cambridge, provided that no member of the College, or any candidate for membership, shall be subject to any test of a religious, political or social character.1

(c) To acquire and take over such property and liabilities of the Churchill Trustees as they may transfer to it.

1 This proposal was approved by Her Majesty the Queen in Council, on the 20th day of September 1966. In order to allow the admission of women, a proposal to change Article 3b of the Charter was approved by a Special Statute passed unanimously by the Governing Body at their 26th Meeting held on the 23rd April, 1966 in accordance with procedure laid down in Article 9 of the Charter. Article 3b of the Charter formerly read:

"To provide for men (who are members of Our University of Cambridge) a College wherein they may work for degrees in that University or may carry out post-graduate studies or other special studies at Cambridge, provided that no member of the College or any candidate for membership shall be subject to any test of a religious, political or social character."
(d) To apply the money of the College including any money acquired and taken over as aforesaid to the purposes of the College with power to invest as prescribed in the Statutes of the College.

(e) To administer any trusts or schemes for purposes connected with the objects of the College.

(f) To do all such other things as are incidental or conducive to the carrying out of the above objects.

4. The College shall have power subject to the Statutes of Our University of Cambridge to present candidates for matriculation by that University.

5. The first Visitor of the College shall be our most dearly beloved Husband and most faithful Counsellor Philip Duke of Edinburgh, Knight of Our Most Noble Order of the Garter, Knight of Our Most Ancient and Most Noble Order of the Thistle, Grand Master of Our Most Excellent Order of the British Empire. Subsequent to him the Visitor of the College shall be appointed in manner prescribed by the Statutes of the College.

6. The first Master of the College shall be the said Sir John Douglas Cockcroft. Such persons as at the date of this Our Charter have with their consent been appointed by the Churchill Trustees Fellows-designate of the College shall be the first Fellows of the College. The Statutes of the College shall apply to the first Master and first Fellows as if they had been appointed pursuant to the Statutes. Any subsequent Master of the College or further Fellows of the College shall be appointed in manner prescribed by the Statutes of the College.2

7. The government of the College shall be conducted in accordance with the Statutes of the College.

8. The first Statutes of the College shall be the Statutes annexed to this Our Charter. The Governing Body of the College shall however have power to repeal, amend and add to the Statutes of the College provided that:

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2 Prior to the revision of the Statutes approved by Her Majesty the Queen in Council on the 15th day of May 1996 a former Statute XXXVI specified the following Initial Provisions:

1 “The Governing Body shall as soon as possible after the grant of the Royal Charter, determine by resolution as regards each of the first Fellows who are appointed by the Charter under which Title he is to be deemed to hold his Fellowship, and, where necessary for the purpose of these Statutes, for what period of office he is deemed to have been appointed; and he shall thereafter be deemed to hold office accordingly.

2 Where under the foregoing Statutes there is specified for the membership of any body or as a quorum or for the making of any request or doing any other act a particular number of Fellows, then, if and so long as the number specified exceeds two-thirds of the total number of Fellows other than the Vice-Master, there shall be deemed to be substituted for the number specified a figure equal to two-thirds of the total number of Fellows other than the Vice-Master. This provision shall however cease to operate as soon as there are at least twenty Fellows other than the Vice-Master.

3 The first Master and first Fellows shall make the respective declarations required by Statute III and Statute XVIII as soon as convenient after the grant of the Royal Charter, but shall be deemed to have taken up office from the date of such grant.”
(a) Any proposal to alter the Statutes is approved by not less than two-thirds of the members of the Governing Body present and voting at the meeting when the alteration is considered. Not less than fourteen days’ notice shall be given of such meeting;

(b) No alteration of the Statutes shall have any force or effect if it be repugnant to the provisions of this Our Charter or to the laws of Our Realm or to the provisions of such Statutes of the University as may from time to time be made to govern the relation of the Colleges to the University;

(c) Notice of any proposed alteration of the Statutes shall be given to the University before the proposed alteration is submitted to the Lords of Our Most Honourable Privy Council;

(d) A Statute which affects the University shall not be altered except with the consent of the University;

(e) No alteration shall have effect until it shall have been approved by the Lords of Our Most Honourable Privy Council, of which approval a Certificate under the hand of the Clerk of Our said Privy Council shall be conclusive evidence.

9. The Governing Body of the College may from time to time repeal, amend or add to the provisions of this Our Charter by a Special Statute in that behalf and such repeal, amendment or addition shall when allowed by Us, Our Heirs and Successors in Council become effectual so that this Our Charter shall thence-forward continue and operate as though it had been originally granted and made as so repealed, amended or added to. This Article shall apply to this Our Charter as altered, amended or added to in manner aforesaid. A Special Statute is one passed at a Meeting of the Governing Body specially summoned for the purpose at not less than fourteen days’ notice.

At least half of the Governing Body must be present at the Meeting and two-thirds of those present must vote in favour of the Special Statute.

10. Reference herein to the Statutes of the College shall be deemed to refer to such Statutes as are for the time being in force.

AND LASTLY WE do by these Presents for Us, Our Heirs and Successors grant and declare that these Our Letters shall be in all things valid and effectual in law according to the true intent and meaning thereof and shall be taken, construed and adjudged in the most favourable and beneficial sense for the best advantage of the College as well in Our Courts of Record as elsewhere by all Judges, Justices, Officers, Ministers and other subjects whatsoever of Us, Our Heirs and Successors, any non-recital, mis-recital or other omission, defect or thing to the contrary notwithstanding.

IN WITNESS whereof We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent.

WITNESS Ourself at Westminster the sixth day of September in the ninth year of Our Reign.

BY WARRANT UNDER THE QUEEN’S SIGN MANUAL

COLDSTREAM
At the Court at Windsor Castle

THE 15TH DAY OF MAY 1996

PRESENT,

THE QUEEN'S MOST EXCELLENT MAJESTY
IN COUNCIL

WHEREAS the Governing Body of Churchill College, in the University of Cambridge, did under the provisions of the Universities of Oxford and Cambridge Act 1923 on the 14th day of December 1995 make a Statute, as set out in the Schedule to this Order, amending the College Statutes:

AND WHEREAS the said Statute has been submitted to Her Majesty in Council and notice of its having been so submitted has been published in the London Gazette, and the said Statute has also been laid before both Houses of Parliament in accordance with the directions contained in the said Act and no Petition or Address against the same has been presented:

NOW, THEREFORE, Her Majesty, having taking the said Statute into consideration, is pleased, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, to declare and doth hereby declare, Her approval of the same.

N H Nicholls

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STATUTE to alter and amend the Statutes of CHURCHILL COLLEGE IN THE UNIVERSITY OF CAMBRIDGE which amending Statute having been duly made at a General Meeting of the Governing Body of the said College specially summoned for the purpose and held on the seventh day of October One Thousand Nine Hundred and Ninety Four (notice of the proposed amending Statute having been given to the University) and having been passed by the votes of not less than two-thirds of the number of persons present and voting is now submitted for the approval of Her Majesty the Queen in Council
At the Court at Windsor Castle

THE 19TH DAY OF APRIL 2000

PRESENT,

THE QUEEN’S MOST EXCELLENT MAJESTY
IN COUNCIL

WHEREAS the Governing Body of Churchill College, in the University of Cambridge, has made a Statute amending the College Statutes XXIX and XXXVI, in accordance with the Universities of Oxford and Cambridge Act 1923, and in the form set out in the Schedule to this Order:

AND WHEREAS the Statute has been submitted to her Majesty in Council, and the provisions of the Act relating to publication in the London Gazette and laying before both Houses of Parliament have been complied with:

AND WHEREAS no petition or address has been presented against the Statute:

NOW, THEREFORE, Her Majesty, having taken the Statute into consideration, is pleased, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, to approve it.

A K Galloway

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STATUTE to alter and amend Statutes XXIX and XXXVI of CHURCHILL COLLEGE IN THE UNIVERSITY OF CAMBRIDGE which amending Statute having been duly made at a General Meeting of the Governing Body of the said College specifically summoned for the purpose and held on the third day of December One Thousand Nine Hundred and Ninety Nine (notice of the proposed amending Statute having been given to the University) and having been passed by the votes of not less than two-thirds of the number of persons present and voting is now submitted for the approval of Her Majesty the Queen in Council.

WE the Master Fellows and Scholars of Churchill College in Cambridge DO HEREBY in pursuance of the power given to us by Section 7 of the Universities of Oxford and Cambridge Act 1923 alter and amend the Statutes in relation to our said College in the following manner:-

THAT the Statutes be amended to read as hereinafter shown
WHEREAS the Governing Body of Churchill College, in the University of Cambridge, has made a Statute amending the College Statute XIII, in accordance with the Universities of Oxford and Cambridge Act 1923, and in the form set out in the Schedule to this Order:

AND WHEREAS the Statute has been submitted to her Majesty in Council, and the provisions of the Act relating to publication in the London Gazette and laying before both Houses of Parliament have been complied with:

AND WHEREAS no petition or address has been presented against the Statute:

NOW, THEREFORE, Her Majesty, having taken the Statute into consideration, is pleased, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, to approve it.

A K Galloway

STATUTE to alter and amend Statute XIII of CHURCHILL COLLEGE IN THE UNIVERSITY OF CAMBRIDGE which amending Statute having been duly made at a General Meeting of the Governing Body of the said College specifically summoned for the purpose and held on the first day of December Two Thousand (notice of the proposed amending Statute having been given to the University) and having been passed by the votes of not less than two-thirds of the number of persons present and voting is now submitted for the approval of Her Majesty the Queen in Council.

WE the Master Fellows and Scholars of Churchill College in Cambridge DO HEREBY in pursuance of the power given to us by Section 7 of the Universities of Oxford and Cambridge Act 1923 alter and amend the Statutes in relation to our said College in the following manner:-

THAT the Statute XIII be amended to read as hereinafter shown
The Governing Body of Churchill College, in the University of Cambridge, has made a Statute amending College Statutes XI, XII, XIII, XIV, XVII, XVIII, XX, XXII, XXV, XXVI, XXVII, XXXII, XXXIII, XXXIV and XXXV, in accordance with the Universities of Oxford and Cambridge Act 1923, and in the form set out in the Schedule to this Order.

The Statute has been submitted to Her Majesty in Council, and the provisions of the Act relating to publication in the London Gazette and laying before both Houses of Parliament have been complied with.

No petition or address has been presented against the Statute.

Therefore, Her Majesty, having taken the Statute into consideration, is pleased, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, to approve it.

Christine Cook

STATUTE to alter and amend the Statutes of CHURCHILL COLLEGE IN THE UNIVERSITY OF CAMBRIDGE which amending Statute having been duly made at a General Meeting of the Governing Body of the said College specifically summoned for the purpose and held on the seventeenth day of March Two Thousand and Six (notice of the proposed amending Statute having been given to the University) and having been passed by the votes of not less than two-thirds of the number of persons present and voting is now submitted for the approval of Her Majesty the Queen in Council.

WE the Master Fellows and Scholars of Churchill College in Cambridge DO HEREBY in pursuance of the power given to us by Section 7 of the Universities of Oxford and Cambridge Act 1923 alter and amend the Statutes in relation to our said College in the following manner:

THAT Statutes XI, XII, XIII, XIV, XVII, XVIII, XX, XXII, XXV, XXVI, XXVII, XXXII, XXXIII, XXXIV and XXXV be amended to read as hereinafter shown
The Governing Body of Churchill College, in the University of Cambridge, has made a Statute amending College Statute XVII in accordance with the Universities of Oxford and Cambridge Act 1923, and in the form set out in the Schedule to this Order.

The Statute has been submitted to Her Majesty in Council, and the provisions of the Act relating to publication in the London Gazette and laying before both Houses of Parliament have been complied with.

No petition or address has been presented against the Statute.

Therefore, Her Majesty, having taken the Statute into consideration, is pleased, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, to approve it.

Judith Simpson

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STATUTE to alter and amend Statute XVII.1 of CHURCHILL COLLEGE IN THE UNIVERSITY OF CAMBRIDGE which amending Statute having been duly made at a General Meeting of the Governing Body of the said College specifically summoned for the purpose and held on the thirteenth day of March Two Thousand and Nine (notice of the proposed amending Statute having been given to the University) and having been passed by the votes of not less than two-thirds of the number of persons present and voting is now submitted for the approval of Her Majesty the Queen in Council.

WE the Master Fellows and Scholars of Churchill College in Cambridge DO HEREBY in pursuance of the power given to us by Section 7 of the Universities of Oxford and Cambridge Act 1923 alter and amend the Statutes in relation to our said College in the following manner:-

THAT the Statute XVII.1 be amended to read as hereinafter shown:
The Governing Body of Churchill College, in the University of Cambridge, has made a Statute amending College Statutes IV, XVIII, XIX and XXIV in accordance with the Universities of Oxford and Cambridge Act 1923, and in the form set out in the Schedule to this Order.

The Statute has been submitted to Her Majesty in Council, and the provisions of the Act relating to publication in the London Gazette and laying before both Houses of Parliament have been complied with.

No petition or address has been presented against the Statute.

Therefore, Her Majesty, having taken the Statute into consideration, is pleased, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, to approve it.

Richard Tilbrook

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WE the Master Fellows and Scholars of Churchill College in Cambridge DO HEREBY in pursuance of the power given to us by Section 7 of the Universities of Oxford and Cambridge Act 1923 alter and amend the Statutes in relation to our said College in the following manner:-

THAT the Statutes II, IV, XVIII, XIX, XXIV be amended to read as hereinafter shown: