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Notes of Proceedings of the Ninth Day of  
Meeting of the Defence Conference, held  
on Wednesday, 26th April, 1939.

PRESENT:

NEW ZEALAND.

Delegates

Rt. Hon. M.J. Savage, (Chairman).  
Hon. P. Fraser  
Hon. W. Nash  
Hon. F. Jones  
Hon. D.G. Sullivan  
Major-General J.E. Duigan, C.B., D.S.O.  
Commodore H.E. Horan, D.S.O., R.N.  
Group-Captain H.W.L. Saunders, M.C., D.F.C., M.M.  
Group-Captain T.M. Wilkes, C.B.E., M.C.  
C.A. Berendsen, Esq., C.M.G.  
B.C. Ashwin, Esq.  
L.J. Schmitt, Esq.  
Lieut.-Col. W.G. Stevens.

Advisers

Commander A.B. Fanshawe, R.N.,  
Paymaster-Captain E.L. Tottenham, O.B.E., R.N.,  
Colonel O.H. Mead, D.S.O.  
H. Turner, Esq.,  
Group-Captain L.M. Isitt, R.N.Z.A.F.  
Wing-Commander A.de T. Nevill, R.N.Z.A.F.  
T.A. Barrow, Esq.  
A.R.F. Mackay, Esq.  
J.R. Middleton, Esq.  
Squadron-Leader E.A. Gibson.

Secretariat

Lieut.-Commander T. Ellis, R.N.  
Major G.H. Clifton, M.C.  
Captain D.T. Maxwell, N.Z.S.C.  
Squadron-Leader E.M.F. Grundy, R.A.F.  
F. Shanahan, Esq.  
H.G. Nicholls, Esq.



UNITED KINGDOM.

Delegates

Sir Harry Batterbee, K.C.M.G., K.C.V.O.  
Vice-Admiral Sir Ragnar Colvin, K.B.E., C.B., R.N.  
Major-General P.J. Mackesy, C.B., D.S.O., M.C.  
Air-Marshal Sir Arthur Longmore, K.C.B., D.S.O.

Advisers

Captain W.D. McN. Graham  
Major A.H. Stafford.

Secretariat

G.E. Boyd Shannon, Esq.  
N.E. Costar, Esq.

AUSTRALIA.

Delegates

Vice-Admiral Sir Ragnar Colvin, K.B.E., C.B., R.N.  
Wing-Commander G. Jones, D.F.C., R.A.A.F.

Advisers

Commander J.C.D. Esdaile, R.A.N.

Secretariat

Paymaster-Captain J.B. Foley, O.B.E., R.A.N.

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1. The Conference assembled at 3 p.m.
  2. The Chairman moved the adoption of the report of the Conference as now presented to Members in its final form. This was approved by the Conference unanimously.
  3. The Chairman delivered an address in farewell, and was replied to by the heads of the United Kingdom and Australian Delegations.
  4. A Press statement was then passed for publication.
  5. The Chairman declared the Conference closed at 3.35 p.m.
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