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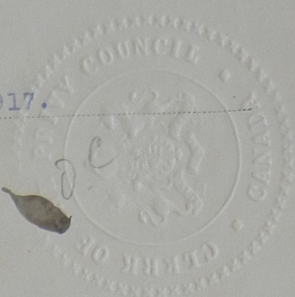
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THE SECRETARY,
MILITIA COUNCIL,
Headquarters,
OTTAWA, CANADA.

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DEPARTMENT OF MILITIA AND DEFENCE,

OTTAWA, 1st March, 1917.

To His Excellency,
The Governor General in Council.



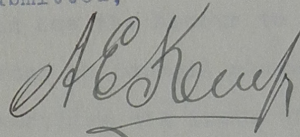
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The undersigned has the honour to represent that having reference to the military punishment known as "detention", the law requires that sentences be carried out in "detention barracks"; that though under the provisions of the Militia Act, your Excellency has authority specially to appoint places in which a sentence of imprisonment may be carried out, instead of a gaol, prison or penitentiary, yet, there is no provision in that Act to enable your Excellency to appoint places for carrying out sentences of detention; that in the interests of discipline it is desirable that such places should be appointed; and that, moreover, it is desirable that regulations should be made for the governing of such places and their inmates.

72 June 1912. 1033 in Act, under Act 2 under Act
The undersigned has, therefore, the honour to recommend that your Excellency, acting under the authority contained in section 6 of the War Measures Act, be pleased to order and declare; *as set forth below and checked as follows:*

1. That such buildings and parts of buildings as the Minister of Militia and Defence may from time to time designate in Militia Orders, shall be detention barracks for the detention of persons sentenced to detention by Courts Martial, or awarded detention by commanding officers.

2. That the regulations for governing, managing and regulating such detention barracks shall be such as may be from time to time published in General Orders, and that such regulations may contain provisions for the punishing, by personal correction, restraint or otherwise, all offences committed by men while undergoing detention; so, however, that such regulations shall neither authorize corporal punishment to be inflicted for any offence, nor render the detention more severe than it is under the law in force in the common gaols in the Province in which the detention barrack in question is situate.

Respectfully submitted,



Minister of Militia and Defence.