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The Foreign Office announce that, on the recommendation of the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, His Majesty the King has been graciously pleased to approve the appointment of Lieut. Col. Geoffrey Lawrence Betham, C.I.E., M.C., His Majesty's Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary in Katmandu, to be a Knight Commander of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire (Civil Division).

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