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Make provision for the establishment of a Royal Commission on slavery.

BE IT ENACTED by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:—

1 Establishment of Royal Commission

- (1) Within four months of the coming into force of this Act, the Secretary of State shall cause to be established a Royal Commission on slavery.
- (2) The Royal Commission shall enquire into the subject of slavery, including its social, economic and political impact, and report on possible means for its global abolition. 5
- (3) For the purposes of this Act, "slavery" includes all existing forms of exercising absolute control over another person's life or liberty.
- (4) The Royal Commission shall report within three years of the coming into force of this Act. 10

2 Short title and commencement

- (1) This Act may be cited as the Royal Commission (Slavery) Act 2007.
- (2) This Act shall come into force at the end of the period of two months beginning on the day on which it is passed.

Royal Commission (Slavery) Bill [HL]

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