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PRESS NOTE

Air Marshal Ronald Ivelaw-Chapman, CB, CBE, DFC, AFC, took over today, the command of the Indian Air Force, from Air Marshal Sir Thomas Elmhirst, KBE, CB, AFC.

Air Marshal Sir Thomas Elmhirst, who has held the appointment as Chief of Air Staff and Commanderin-Chief, Indian Air Force, since August 15, 1947, will be returning to the United Kingdom at his own request, on completion of 3 years' service in India with a view to retirement.

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