It is notified for general information that the Governor-General has approved certain conditions for the award of the Australian Service Medal with Clasp ‘S. PACIFIC 2006’, as detailed in the following Declaration and Determination:
COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

DECLARATION AND DETERMINATION UNDER THE
AUSTRALIAN SERVICE MEDAL REGULATIONS

I, QUENTIN ALICE LOUISE BRYCE, Governor-General of the Commonwealth of Australia, pursuant to the Australian Service Medal Regulations contained in the Schedule to Letters Patent dated 13 September 1988, ("the Regulations") on the recommendation of the Parliamentary Secretary for Defence Support, hereby:

(a) revoke the Declaration and Determination made on 17 April 2009 under Regulation 3 and Subregulation 4(2) respectively of the Regulations;

(b) declare, under regulation 3 of the Regulations, non-warlike operations in which members of the Australian Defence Force were engaged with the Australian Defence Force mission in Fiji with the force known as:

Operation “Quickstep” – the Australian Defence Force contribution to ensure safety of Australians and approved foreign nationals in Fiji commencing on 31 October 2006 and ending on 22 December 2006, in the area comprising Fiji and its land, internal waters, archipelagic waters, territorial sea and superjacent airspace and the exclusive economic zone of Fiji;

...to be a prescribed operation for the purposes of the Regulations;

(c) determine, under subregulation 4(2) of the Regulations, that the conditions for award of the Australian Service Medal with Clasp ‘S. PACIFIC 2006’ (“the Medal”) for that prescribed operation are:

(i) the Medal may be awarded to a member of the Australian Defence Force who rendered assigned service as such a member of the Australian element for duty to the prescribed operation for a prescribed period;

(ii) the Medal may be awarded to a member of the Australian Defence Force who rendered assigned service as such a member for a prescribed period, as part of the contribution of a foreign Defence Force on an approved third country deployment to the prescribed operation while on secondment or exchange with the foreign Defence Force;

(iii) the Medal may be awarded to a member of the Australian Defence Force who rendered assigned service as such a member of the Australian element for duty to the prescribed operation and who
completed a prescribed number of sorties within the duration of the prescribed operation;

(iv) the Medal may be awarded to a person who rendered assigned service as part of the Australian element of the prescribed operation, and who, in accordance with a determination made by the Minister under paragraph 4(4)(b) of the Regulations, is in a class of persons who may be awarded the Medal;

(v) in this paragraph “prescribed period” for the prescribed operation means, in relation to subparagraphs c(i), c(ii), c(iii) and c(iv) a period of not less than an aggregate of 30 days;

(vi) in this paragraph “prescribed number of sorties” within the duration of the prescribed operation means, in relation to subparagraph c(iii) 30 sorties from a unit force assigned to the prescribed operation, provided that those sorties were conducted over a period of not less than an aggregate of 30 days at a rate of one sortie per day;

(vii) PROVIDED THAT where a member does not complete the prescribed period or prescribed number of sorties required by subparagraphs c(i), c(ii), c(iii), or c(iv) owing to his or her death, evacuation due to illness, injury or other physical disability due to service in the prescribed operation, the member will be deemed to have completed that prescribed period or prescribed number of sorties.

Dated 12/2/2010

By Her Excellency’s Command

MIKE KELLY
Parliamentary Secretary for Defence Support
For the Minister for Defence