COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

AUSTRALIAN SERVICE MEDAL 1945-75 REGULATIONS

DECLARATION UNDER REGULATION 3

DETERMINATION UNDER SUBREGULATION 4(2)


(a) declare, under Regulation 3 of the Regulations, the Australian Defence Force activities with the British Forces of Occupation in Germany during the period that commenced on 9 May 1945 and ended on 19 October 1951 to be a declared operation for the purposes of the Regulations; and

(b) determine, under Subregulation 4(2) of the Regulations, that the conditions for award of the Australian Service Medal 1945-75 with Clasp ‘GERMANY’ for that declared operation are:

(i) the Medal may be awarded to a member of the Australian Defence Force who rendered service as such a member while posted to or serving as a member of the Australian element of the declared operation for a period of 30 days, or for periods amounting in the aggregate to 30 days;

(ii) the Medal may be awarded to a member of the Australian Defence Force who rendered service as such a member for a period of 30 days, or for periods amounting in the aggregate to 30 days, as part of the contribution of a foreign Defence Force to the declared operation while on secondment or exchange with the foreign Defence Force;

(iii) the Medal may be awarded to a person who rendered service as part of the Australian element of the declared operation for a period of 30 days or more, or for periods amounting in the aggregate to 30 days or more, and who, in accordance with a determination made by the Minister under paragraph 4(1)(b) of the Regulations, is in a class of persons who may be awarded the Medal with Clasp ‘GERMANY’;
(iv) the Medal may be awarded to a member of the Australian Defence Force who rendered service as such a member for a period of 30 days, or for periods amounting in the aggregate to 30 days, for official visits, inspections or other occurrences of a temporary nature while assigned for duty with the military contribution in the declared operation;

(v) the qualifying period of service as described in subparagraphs (b)(i), (b)(ii) or (b)(iii) may be deemed by the Chief of the Defence Force or his delegate to have been established notwithstanding that the member has not met the qualifying periods described; and

(vi) the Chief of the Defence Force or his delegate in exercising his discretion to deem under subparagraph (b)(v) shall take into account whether service in relation to the declared operation:

(A) was terminated owing to the death, evacuation due to illness or injury or other disability due to service, of a member as described above;

(B) was terminated due to Government or Defence Force reasons; or

(C) was terminated due to foreign Government or foreign Defence Force reasons.

(c) any person who rendered service as described in paragraph (a) will not be eligible for the award of the Australian Service Medal 1945-75 with Clasp ‘GERMANY’ during the period that commenced on 26 June 1948 and ended on 30 September 1949 if qualifying service for the Australian Service Medal 1945-75 with Clasp ‘BERLIN’ was rendered.

Dated 14th August 1998

Governor-General

By His Excellency's Command

Minister for Defence Industry, Science and Personnel

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