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It is notified for general information that the Governor-General has approved certain amendments to conditions for the award of the Australian Service Medal 1945-1975 with Clasp 'PNG', as detailed in the following Declaration and Determination:



## COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

### DECLARATION AND DETERMINATION UNDER THE AUSTRALIAN SERVICE MEDAL 1945-1975 REGULATIONS

I, **QUENTIN ALICE LOUISE BRYCE**, Governor-General of the Commonwealth of Australia, pursuant to the Australian Service Medal 1945-1975 Regulations contained in the Schedule to the Letters Patent dated 22 February 1995, ("the Regulations") on the recommendation of the Parliamentary Secretary for Defence Support, **hereby**:

- (a) **revoke** the Declaration and Determination made on 25 May 1998 under regulation 3 and subregulation 4(2) respectively of the Regulations;
- (b) **declare**, under regulation 3 of the Regulations, the following non-warlike operation in which members of the Australian Defence Force who render service in the Territory of Papua and the Territory of New Guinea, as administered in an administrative union under the name of the Territory of Papua and New Guinea or the name of Papua New Guinea, and inclusive of all islands forming part of either Territory to a distance of 161 kilometres to seaward from the coast:
  - (i) activities in which members of the Australian Defence Force who render service engaged in nation building tasks, training and administering prospective members of the national armed forces of the territory of Papua New Guinea and humanitarian relief in aid to the territory of Papua New Guinea, during the period commencing on 3 September 1945 and extending to the independence of Papua New Guinea on 16 September 1975;

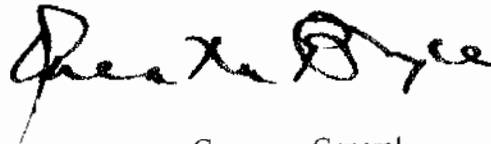
to be a *prescribed operation* for the purposes of the Regulations;

- (c) **determine**, under subregulation 4(2) of the Regulations, that the conditions for award of the Australian Service Medal 1945-1975 with Clasp 'PNG' ("the Medal") for that *prescribed operation* are that:
  - (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 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*;
- (iii) the Medal may be awarded to a member of the Australian Defence Force who rendered service as such a member for official visits, inspections or other occurrences of a temporary nature with the military contribution in the *prescribed operation* for a *prescribed period*;
- (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(1)(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* at subparagraph b(i), means, in relation to subparagraphs c(i), c(iii), and (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* at subparagraph b(i), means, in relation to subparagraph c(ii) 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;

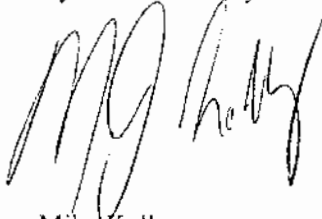
PROVIDED THAT where a member does not complete the *prescribed period* or *prescribed number of sorties* required by subparagraphs (c)(i), c(ii), or c(iv) owing to his or her death, evacuation due to illness, injury or other physical disability due to service in the *prescribed operation*, the member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

Dated 24/4 2009



Governor-General

By Her Excellency's Command



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