

COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

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

I, QUENTIN ALICE LOUISE BRYCE, Governor-General of the Commonwealth of Australia, pursuant to the Australian Active Service Medal 1945-1975 Regulations contained in the Schedule to the Letters Patent dated 11 December 1997 ("the Regulations") on the recommendation of the Parliamentary Secretary for Defence, hereby:

- (a) revoke the Declaration and Determination made on 13 April 2011 under regulation 3 and subregulation 4(2) respectively of the Australian Active Service Medal 1945-1975 Regulations;
- (b) **declare**, under regulation 3 of the Regulations, the following warlike operations in which members of the Australian Defence Force were engaged in Thailand:
 - Royal Australian Air Force activities in the defence of Thailand conducted from the Royal Thai Air Force Base at Ubon that commenced on 31 May 1962 and ended on 27 July 1962 and commenced on 25 June 1965 and ended on 31 August 1968; or
 - (ii) 2 Field Troop Royal Australian Engineers at Ban Kok Talat in Operation CROWN that commenced on 25 June 1965 and ended on 31 August 1968;

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

- (c) determine, under subregulation 4(2) of the Regulations, that the conditions for award of the Australian Active Service Medal 1945-1975 with Clasp 'THAILAND' ("the Medal") for that *prescribed operation* are:
 - the Medal may be awarded to a member of the Australian Defence Force who rendered service as such a member while serving as 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 service as such a member for a *prescribed period* as part of the contribution of a foreign

Defence Force 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 service as such a member for official visits, inspections or other occurrences of a temporary nature in connection with the military contribution to the *prescribed operation*;

- (iv) the Medal may be awarded to a person who rendered service as part of the Australian element of the *prescribed operation*, and who, completed a *prescribed period* and, 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 subparagraphs (b)(i) and (b)(ii) means:
 - in relation to subparagraphs (c)(i), (c)(ii) and (c)(iv) a period of not less than one day or one completed operational sortie; and
 - (2) in relation to subparagraph (c)(iii) a period of not less than a period of 30 days or periods amounting in the aggregate to 30 days;

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

Dated

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Governor-General

By Her Excellency's Command

DAVID FEENEY For the Minister for Defence