



COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

DECLARATION AND DETERMINATION UNDER THE AUSTRALIAN OPERATIONAL SERVICE MEDAL REGULATION 2012


I, **QUENTIN ALICE LOUISE BRYCE**, Governor-General of the Commonwealth of Australia, pursuant to the *Australian Operational Service Medal Regulation 2012* contained in the Schedule to Letters Patent dated 22 May 2012 (“the Regulations”), on the recommendation of the Minister for Defence, hereby:

- (a) **declare**, under regulation 3 of the Regulations, the following operation in which persons rendered service, in the area comprising Timor-Leste and the sea adjacent to Timor-Leste out to a distance of 12 nautical miles from the low water mark to be a *declared operation* for the purposes of the Regulations;
 - (i) Operation ASTUTE – that commenced on 12 May 2006;
- (b) **determine**, under regulation 4 of the Regulations, that the conditions for award of the Australian Operational Service Medal (Civilian) with Clasp ‘TIMOR-LESTE’ (“the Medal”) for that *declared operation* are that:
 - (i) the Medal may be awarded to a civilian, as defined under regulation 2 of the Regulations, who was employed for duty as such a person of the *declared operation* for a period of not less than an aggregate of 30 days;

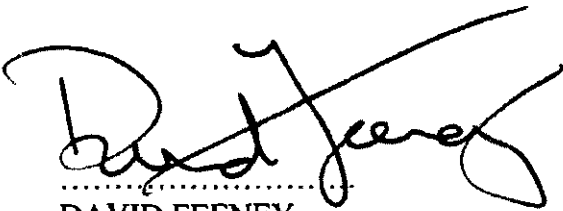
AND PROVIDED THAT where a person does not complete the *prescribed period* for the award of the Medal required by subparagraph (i) owing to his or her death, evacuation due to illness, injury or other disability due to service, the person will be deemed to have completed that *prescribed period*;

- (c) **determine**, for the purposes of this determination, that a person is not eligible for an award of the Medal where an entitlement exists to another Australian medal for the same deployment.
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Dated *12/12* 2012


Governor-General

By Her Excellency's Command


DAVID FEENEY
Parliamentary Secretary for Defence