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COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

ELIZABETH THE SECOND, by the Grace of God Queen of Australia and Her other Realms and Territories, Head of the Commonwealth:

TO ALL to whom these Presents shall come.

GREETING:

WHEREAS it is desirable that there be instituted an Australian medal for the purpose of according recognition to members of the Defence Force, and certain other persons, who rendered service in warlike operations:

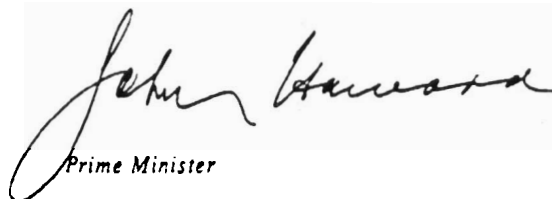
KNOW YOU that We do, by these Presents, institute a medal to be called the Australian Active Service Medal 1945-1975:

AND WE DO ordain that the award of the Australian Active Service Medal 1945-1975 is governed by the Regulations set out in the Schedule.

IN WITNESS whereof We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent.

GIVEN under the Great Seal
of Australia at Our Court at
St James's on 11 December, 1997.

By Her Majesty's Command,


Prime Minister

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SCHEDULE

REGULATIONS GOVERNING THE AWARD OF THE AUSTRALIAN ACTIVE SERVICE MEDAL 1945-1975

Citation

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Australian Active Service Medal 1945-1975 Regulations.

Interpretation

2. In these Regulations:

“clasp”, in relation to a Medal, means a device to denote a prescribed operation;

“Defence Force” has the same meaning as in the *Defence Act 1903*;

“Medal” means the Australian Active Service Medal 1945-1975;

“Minister” means a Minister administering the Department of Defence;

“prescribed operation” means an operation in respect of which a declaration has been made under regulation 3;

“Registrar” means the Registrar of Awards appointed under subregulation 8(1);

“Register” means the Register maintained under subregulation 8(2).

Prescribed operations

3. The Governor-General, on the recommendation of a Minister, may declare a warlike operation in which members of the Defence Force were engaged at any time during the period that commenced on 3 September 1945 and ended on 13 February 1975, to be a prescribed operation for these Regulations.

Conditions for award of the Medal

4. (1) The Medal may be awarded to the following persons who served in connection with a prescribed operation:

- (a) a member, or a former member, of the Defence Force;
- (b) a person in a class of persons determined by a Minister for these Regulations.

(2) The conditions for the award of the Medal are determined by the Governor-General on the recommendation of a Minister.

(3) The Medal may only be awarded to a person who fulfils the conditions for the award of the Medal.

(4) An initial award of the Medal to a person is made in the form of the Medal with a clasp.

(5) A subsequent award of the Medal to the person may only be made in the form of an additional clasp to the Medal.

Making of awards

5. An award of the Medal may be made by the Governor-General on the recommendation of the Chief of the Defence Force or his or her delegate.

Design of the Medal

6. The design of the Medal is as determined by the Governor-General.

Wearing of the Medal

7. The manner of wearing of the Medal is as determined by the Governor-General.

Registrar of Awards

8. (1) The Governor-General must appoint a Registrar of Awards.

(2) The Registrar must:

- (a) maintain a Register of the names of persons to whom the Medal has been awarded; and
- (b) keep such other records relating to the award of the Medal as the Governor-General directs.

Cancellation and reinstatement

9. (1) The Governor-General may cancel, on the recommendation of the Chief of the Defence Force or his or her delegate, an award of the Medal and may reinstate a cancelled award.

(2) If an award of the Medal is cancelled:

- (a) the name of the person to whom the award was made must be erased from the Register; and
- (b) the person must return the insignia of the award to the Registrar.

(3) If a cancelled award is reinstated, the Registrar must:

- (a) restore in the Register the entry that was erased; and
- (b) return the insignia of the award to the person to whom the award was made.