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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 International Force East Timor Medal (INTERFET Medal) Regulations 2000, as detailed in the following Determination:



## **COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA**

## DETERMINATION UNDER THE INTERNATIONAL FORCE EAST TIMOR MEDAL REGULATIONS 2000

- I, QUENTIN ALICE LOUISE BRYCE, Governor-General of the Commonwealth of Australia, pursuant to the International Force East Timor Medal (INTERFET Medal) Regulations 2000 contained in the Schedule to the Letters Patent dated 25 March 2000 (the Regulations) and on the recommendation of the Parliamentary Secretary for Defence Support, hereby:
- (a) **revoke** the determination made on 13 December 2000 under subregulation 5(3) of the Regulations;
- (b) **determine**, under subregulation 5(3) of the Regulations, the area comprising East Timor and the sea adjacent to East Timor out to a distance of 12 nautical miles from the low water mark to be the operational area of East Timor for the INTERFET Operation (the Operation);
  - (i) the period that commenced on 16 September 1999 and ended on 10 April 2000 to be the *period of operations* for the *Operation*;
- (c) **determine**, under subregulation 5(3) of the Regulations that the conditions for the award of the INTERFET Medal are:
  - (i) the Medal may be awarded to a member of the Australian Defence Force who rendered service as such a member while posted as a member of the Australian element of the Operation for 30 days, or for periods amounting in the aggregate to 30 days;
  - the Medal may be awarded to a member of the Australian Defence Force who rendered service as such a member of the Operation for 30 days, or for periods amounting in the aggregate to 30 days, as part of the contribution of a foreign defence force while on secondment or exchange with that foreign defence force;

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- (iii) the Medal may be awarded to a member of a foreign defence force who rendered service as such a member while posted as a member of the Australian or foreign element of the Operation for 30 days, or for periods amounting in the aggregate to 30 days;
- (iv) the Medal may be awarded to a member of a foreign defence force who rendered service as such a member of *the Operation* for 30 days, or for periods amounting in the aggregate to days, as part of the contribution of the Australian Defence Force on secondment or exchange with the Australian Defence Force;
- (v) the Medal may be awarded to a member of the Australian Defence Force who completed 30 sorties within the duration of the Operation, provided those sorties were conducted over a period of not less than an aggregate of 30 days at a rate of one sortie per day;
- (vi) the Medal may be awarded to a member of a foreign defence force who completed 30 sorties within the duration of *the 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;
- (vii) 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 with the military contribution in the Operation;
- (viii) the Medal may be awarded to a member of a foreign defence force who rendered service as such a member for a period of 30 days, or for a period amounting in the aggregate to 30 days, for official visits, inspections or other occurrences of a temporary nature with the military contribution in *the Operation*;
- the Medal may be awarded to a person who rendered service as part of the Australian element of *the Operation* for a period of 30 days, or for periods amounting in the aggregate to 30 days, and who in accordance with a determination made by the Parliamentary Secretary under subregulation 5(2) (b) of the Regulations, is in a class of persons who may be awarded the INTERFET Medal:

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PROVIDED THAT where a member does not complete the determined *period of operations* required by subparagraphs (c) (i), (ii), (iii), (iv), (v) or (vi) 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 *period of operations*; and

(d) determine, for the purposes of this determination, that where an entitlement exists to the United Nations Transitional Authority in East Timor Medal (UNTAET Medal) for service on Operation Tanager from 20 February 2000 to 10 April 2000, a member or person is not eligible for the INTERFET Medal.

Dated

39/10 2009

Governor-General

By Her Excellency's Command

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Parliamentary Secretary for Defence Support

For the Minister for Defence