

**COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA****DECLARATION AND DETERMINATION UNDER THE
AUSTRALIAN ACTIVE SERVICE MEDAL REGULATIONS**

I, **WILLIAM PATRICK DEANE**, Governor-General of the Commonwealth of Australia, pursuant to the Australian Active Service Medal Regulations contained in the Schedule to the Letters Patent dated 13 September 1988 (“the Regulations”) on the recommendation of the Minister for Defence, **hereby**:

- (a) **revoke**, the Declaration and Determination made on 14 August 1998 under regulation 3 and subregulation 4(2) respectively of the Regulations;
- (b) **declare**, under regulation 3 of the Regulations, warlike operations in which members of the Australian Defence Force were engaged, with the United Nations and North Atlantic Treaty Organisation activities in the Balkans region during the period that commenced on 12 January 1992 and ended on 24 January 1997 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 with Clasp ‘BALKANS’ (“the Medal”) for the *prescribed operation* are:
 - (i) the Medal may be awarded to a member of the Australian Defence Force who rendered service as such a member while allotted and posted as a member of the Australian element for duty to the *prescribed operation*;
 - (ii) the Medal may be awarded to a member of the Australian Defence Force who rendered service as such a member 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 and who completed *one operational sortie* within the duration of the *prescribed operation*;
- (iv) 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 in connection with the military contribution in the *prescribed operation*;
- (v) the Medal may be awarded to a person who rendered service as part of the Australian element of the *prescribed operation* for a *prescribed period* and who, in accordance with a determination made by the Minister under paragraph 4(4)(b) of the Regulations, is in a class of persons who may be awarded the Medal.

Dated

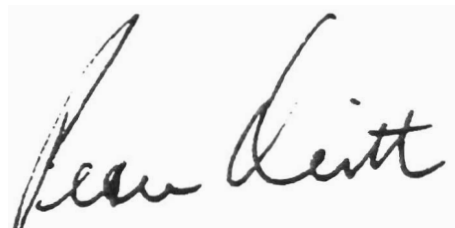
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Governor-General

By His Excellency's Command



PETER REITH
Minister for Defence