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**COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA**

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It is notified for general information that Her Majesty The Queen has approved the establishment of the *Anniversary of National Service 1951-1972 Medal* as detailed in the following Letters Patent and Regulations.

The Medal is to be worn in *The Order of Wearing Australian Honours and Awards* immediately below 'Long Service Medals'.

**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 a medal for the purpose of commemorating the service of persons who gave service under the *National Service Act 1951*, as that Act was in force from time to time between 1951 and 1972, or who gave other service in discharge of the obligation to serve under that Act:

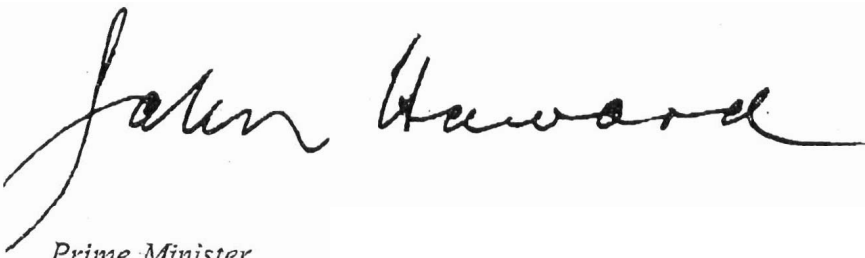
KNOW YOU that We do, by these Presents, institute a medal to be designated and styled the *Anniversary of National Service 1951—1972 Medal*:

AND WE DO ordain that the award of the *Anniversary of National Service 1951—1972 Medal* 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 10<sup>th</sup> October 2001

By Her Majesty's Command,



Prime Minister

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# Anniversary of National Service 1951–1972 Medal Regulations 2001

### 1 Name of Regulations

These Regulations are the *Anniversary of National Service 1951–1972 Medal Regulations 2001*.

### 2 Definitions

In these Regulations:

*Defence Force* means the Defence Force constituted under the *Defence Act 1903*.

*Medal* means the *Anniversary of National Service 1951–1972 Medal* instituted under the Letters Patent establishing these Regulations.

*Minister* means the Minister of State for Defence or the Minister Assisting the Minister of State for Defence.

*Register* means the Register maintained under subregulation 10 (2).

*Registrar* means the Registrar of Awards appointed under subregulation 10 (1).

### 3 Design of Medal

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

### 4 Conditions for award of Medal

- (1) The Medal may be awarded for service under the *National Service Act 1951* between 1951 and 1972.
- (2) The service for which the Medal may be awarded is:
  - (a) service under the *National Service Act 1951* for which a person was called up, or for which a person volunteered, that satisfied the requirements applicable to that service under that Act; or
  - (b) other service that discharged a person's liability to perform the service mentioned in paragraph (a) and that has been determined by the Governor-General to be service for which the Medal may be awarded.

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- (3) The other conditions for the award of the Medal are as determined by the Governor-General on the recommendation of the Minister.
- (4) The Medal may be awarded only for service that fulfils the conditions for the award of the Medal.

### 5 No effect on entitlement to other awards

Award of the Medal does not affect the entitlement of a person to any other award.

### 6 Making of awards

- (1) An award of the Medal may be made only by:
  - (a) the Governor-General on the recommendation of the Chief of the Defence Force or his or her delegate; or
  - (b) a person to whom, under section 11, the Governor-General has delegated the power to make an award of the Medal.
- (2) The Medal may be awarded posthumously.

### 7 Cancellation of award

- (1) The Governor-General may, on the recommendation of the Chief of the Defence Force or his or her delegate, cancel an award of the Medal.
- (2) If an award of the Medal is cancelled:
  - (a) the Registrar must note the cancellation in the Register; and
  - (b) the person holding the Medal must return the Medal to the Registrar.

### 8 Reinstatement of award

- (1) The Governor-General may, on the recommendation of the Chief of the Defence Force or his or her delegate, reinstate an award that has been cancelled.
- (2) If an award is reinstated, the Registrar must:
  - (a) note the reinstatement in the Register; and
  - (b) reissue the Medal to the person to whom it was awarded.

### 9 Wearing of Medal

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

### 10 Registrar of Awards

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

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- (2) The Registrar must maintain:
- (a) a Register containing the name of each person to whom the Medal has been awarded; and
  - (b) such other records, relating to the Medal, as the Governor-General directs.

**11 Delegation**

- (1) The Governor-General may, by writing, delegate the power to make an award of the Medal to:
- (a) the Chief of the Defence Force; or
  - (b) a person from time to time holding or occupying an office in the Defence Force or the Department of Defence specified in the instrument of delegation.
- (2) The Governor-General may, by writing, revoke a delegation under subsection (1).



## **COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA**

### **DECLARATION AND DETERMINATION UNDER THE ANNIVERSARY OF NATIONAL SERVICE 1951-1972 MEDAL REGULATIONS**

I, **PETER JOHN HOLLINGWORTH**, Governor-General of the Commonwealth of Australia, pursuant to the Anniversary of National Service 1951-1972 Medal Regulations 2001 contained in the Schedule to Letters Patent dated 10 October 2001 ("the Regulations") and on the recommendation of the Minister for Defence, hereby determine under Subregulation 4(3) of the Regulations, that the other conditions for the award of the Anniversary of National Service 1951-1972 Medal are:

- (i) The Medal may be awarded to a person who was registered and was called up for national service under the National Service Act 1951 and completed not less than 90 days service between 12 April 1951 and 24 November 1959 as such a member;
- (ii) The Medal may be awarded to a person who was registered and was called up for national service under the National Service Act 1951 and completed not less than 2 years full time service between 1 January 1965 and 7 October 1971 as such a member;
- (iii) The Medal may be awarded to a person who was registered and was called up for national service under the National Service Act 1951 and completed not less than 18 months full-time service between 8 October 1971 and 5 December 1972 as such a member;
- (iv) The Medal may be awarded to a person who was registered and called up for national service under the National Service Act 1951 and was serving on 5 December 1972 as such a member;
- (v) The Medal may be awarded to a person who was registered under the National Service Act 1951 and elected to meet his or her obligations under that Act by completing part-time service in the Citizen Forces and completed such service;
- (vi) Service as described in subparagraphs (i), (ii), (iii), (iv) or (v) of this Instrument may be deemed by the Chief of the Defence Force or a delegate of the Chief of the Defence Force to have been established if it

was terminated due to the death, illness or injury or other disability due to service.

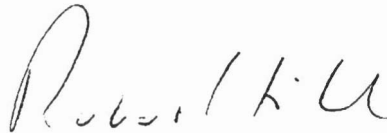
- (vii) Service as described in subparagraphs (i), (ii), (iii), (iv) or (v) of this Instrument may be deemed by the Chief of the Defence Force or a delegate of the Chief of the Defence Force to have been established if it was terminated due to grounds of exceptional hardship, under the National Service Act 1951.
- (viii) The Medal may not be awarded to the following categories:
- a. A person who was exempt from registering for national service under the National Service Act 1951 by reason of being a member of the permanent defence service;
  - b. A person who was registered under the National Service Act 1951 but did not serve as such a member including a person may have been called up for such service but did not serve as such a member;
  - c. A person who was discharged for disciplinary reasons during a period of national service under the National Service Act 1951.

Dated *October. 25* 2002



Governor-General

By His Excellency's Command



ROBERT HILL  
Minister for Defence