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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 by Letters Patent dated 26 May 1998 given under the Great Seal of Australia, We instituted an Australian medal, designated and styled the Defence Long Service Medal for the purpose of according recognition to persons who render long and efficient service as members of the Defence Force and to certain other persons who render long and efficient service in association with the Defence Force:

AND WHEREAS the Letters Patent ordained the award of a medal so instituted be governed by the Defence Long Service Medal Regulations set out in the Schedule to the Letters Patent:

AND WHEREAS it is desirable that certain amendments of the Regulations be made:

KNOW YOU that We do, by these Presents, declare Our pleasure that the Letters Patent dated 26 May 1998 be amended, but without prejudice to anything lawfully done thereunder, as set out in the Schedule, with effect from 26 May 1998.

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
3 March 2000

By Her Majesty's Command,

John Howard

Prime Minister



Schedule

Amendment of the Defence Long Service Medal Regulations

[1] Regulation 2, before definition of *Medal*

insert

efficient service means service determined to be efficient service by the Chief of the Defence Force.

[2] Regulation 3

substitute

3 Award of the Medal

- (1) The Medal may be awarded to a member, or former member, of the Defence Force (the *member*) who:
 - (a) has given qualifying service for a period of at least 15 years or periods that, in total, amount to at least 15 years; and
 - (b) has given at least 1 day's qualifying service on or after 20 April 1994.
- (2) The Medal must not be awarded to a member who:
 - (a) has completed the qualifying service required for the award of a medal under the Defence Force Service Awards Regulations (the *DFSA Regulations*), regardless of whether the member has received the award; and
 - (b) has given other qualifying service that cannot be recognised for the DFSA Regulations, either by reason of its length or its character; unless the member:
 - (c) has made an election under subregulation 16A (2) or (3) of the DFSA Regulations to have all of the member's service recognised as qualifying service for these Regulations; and
 - (d) has returned to the Registrar all medals and clasps (if any) previously awarded to the member under the DFSA Regulations.

Schedule

[3] Regulation 6

substitute

6 Award under the Defence Force Service Awards Regulations

A person is not eligible to be the holder of both an award under the Defence Force Service Awards Regulations and an award under these Regulations.

Note Regulation 16A of the Defence Force Service Awards Regulations provides for members and former members of the Defence Force to elect between awards under those Regulations and awards under these Regulations in relation to service that is qualifying service both for those Regulations and for these Regulations.