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It is notified for general information that the Governor-General has approved certain conditions for the award of the Australian Service Medal with Clasp 'IRAQ', as detailed in the following Declaration and Determination:



COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

DECLARATION AND DETERMINATION UNDER THE AUSTRALIAN SERVICE MEDAL REGULATIONS

- I, QUENTIN ALICE LOUISE BRYCE, Governor-General of the Commonwealth of Australia, pursuant to the Australian Service Medal Regulations contained in the Schedule to Letters Patent dated 13 September 1988, ("the Regulations") on the recommendation of the Parliamentary Secretary for Defence Support, hereby:
- (a) revoke the Declaration and Determination made on 20 February 2002 under regulation 3 and subregulation 4(2) respectively of the Regulations;
- (b) declare, under regulation 3 of the Regulations, the following non-warlike operations in which members of the Australian Defence Force were engaged, to be a *prescribed operation* for the purposes of the Regulations:
 - (i) the International Kurdish Relief Operation in Southern Turkey and Northern Iraq that commenced on 1 May 1991;
 - (ii) the United Nations Special Commission in Iraq that commenced on 1 May 1991;
 - (iii) Operation "Pollard" the multinational military deployment in the Middle East that commenced on 15 February 1998 and ended on 30 June 1998;
 - (iv) Operation "Pollard" the multinational military deployment in the Middle East that commenced on 1 July 1998 and ended on 1 October 2001;
 - (v) authorised third country deployments with United Kingdom Iraq/Persian Gulf operations in respect of imposing sanctions on Iraq that commenced on 16 July 1991 and ended on 10 October 2001;
 - (vi) authorised third country deployments with United States Iraq/Persian Gulf operations in respect of imposing sanctions on Iraq that commenced on 16 July 1991 and ended on 10 October 2001;

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- (vii) Operation "Bolton" Service as a member of the Australian Defence Force assigned for service with the United Kingdom elements of the coalition force operation to patrol the Iraq No-Fly-Zones that commenced on 13 May 1999 and ended on 12 January 2003 while in the area comprising Saudi Arabia, Kuwait and the Incirlik airbase in Turkey;
- (viii) Operation "Southern Watch" Service as a member of the Australian Defence Force assigned for service with the United States elements of the coalition force operation to patrol the Iraq No-Fly-Zones that commenced on 23 September 1999 and ended on 12 January 2003 while in the area comprising Saudi Arabia, Kuwait and the Incirlik airbase in Turkey;
- (c) **determine**, under subregulation 4(2) of the Regulations, that the conditions for award of the Australian Service Medal with Clasp 'IRAQ' ("the Medal") for that *prescribed operation* are:
 - (i) the Medal may be awarded to a member of the Australian Defence Force who rendered assigned service as such a member of the Australian element for duty to the *prescribed operation* for a *prescribed period*;
 - the Medal may be awarded to a member of the Australian Defence Force who rendered assigned service as such a member for a prescribed period, as part of the contribution of a foreign Defence Force on an approved third country deployment to the prescribed operation while on secondment or exchange with the foreign Defence Force;
 - the Medal may be awarded to a member of the Australian Defence Force who rendered assigned service as such a member for a prescribed period for official visits, inspections or other occurrences of a temporary nature while assigned for duty with the military contribution to the activity described at paragraph b(i);
 - (iv) the Medal may be awarded to a person who rendered assigned 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;

(v) in this paragraph "prescribed period" means:

- (A) in relation to the activities described at subparagraphs b(i), b(iv), b(v), b(vi), b(vii) and b(viii) a period of not less than an aggregate of 30 days; and
- (B) in relation to the activies described as subparagraphs b(ii) and b(iii) a period of not less than an aggregate of seven days;

PROVIDED THAT where a member does not complete the prescribed period required by subparagraphs (c)(i), c(ii), c(iii), or c(iv) owing to his or her death, evacuation due to illness, injury or other physical disability due to service in the prescribed operation, the member will be deemed to have completed that prescribed period; and

(d) determine, for the purposes of this determination, that where an entitlement exists to the Australian Active Service Medal (AASM) with Clasp 'IRAQ', a person is not eligible for an award of the Medal where the entitlement to the Medal arises from the same rotation deployment as gave rise to the entitlement for the AASM with Clasp 'IRAQ', and includes the same posting or period of service with the prescribed operation.

Dated

W/8 2009

Governor-General

By Her Excellency's Command

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Parliamentary Secretary for Defence Support

For the Minister for Defence