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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 *Australian Service Medal* with Clasp 'SUDAN', 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 19 May 2006 under regulation 3 and subregulation 4(2) respectively of the Regulations;
- (b) **declare**, under regulation 3 of the Regulations, non-warlike operations in which members of the Australian Defence Force who render service in the specified area of Sudan comprising the total land area, territorial waters and superjacent airspace with the forces known as:
 - (i) Operation ‘Azure’ – the Australian Defence Force contribution to the United Nations Mission in Sudan (UNMISUD) that commenced on 10 April 2005;
 - (ii) Operation ‘Hedgerow’ – the Australian Defence Force contribution to the United Nations and African Union Mission in Darfur (UNAMID) that commenced on 28 July 2008;

to be a *prescribed operation* for the purposes of the Regulations;

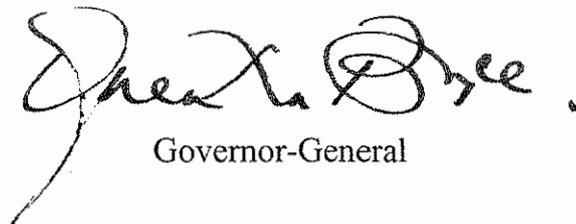
- (c) **determine**, under subregulation 4(2) of the Regulations, that the conditions for award of the Australian Service Medal with Clasp ‘SUDAN’ (“the Medal”) for that *prescribed operation* are that:
 - (i) the Medal may be awarded to a member of the Australian Defence Force who rendered assigned service as such a member of the Australian element for duty to the *prescribed operation* for a *prescribed period*;
 - (ii) 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;

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- (iii) 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* and who completed a *prescribed number of sorties* within the duration of the *prescribed operation*;
- (iv) the Medal may be awarded to a person who rendered assigned service as part of the Australian element of the *prescribed operation*, 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*" for the *prescribed operation* at subparagraphs b(i) and b(ii) means, in relation to subparagraphs c(i), c(ii), and c(iv) a period of not less than an aggregate of 30 days;
- (vi) in this paragraph "*prescribed number of sorties*" within the duration of the *prescribed operation* at subparagraphs b(i) and b(ii) means, in relation to subparagraph c(iii) 30 sorties from a unit force assigned to the *prescribed 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;

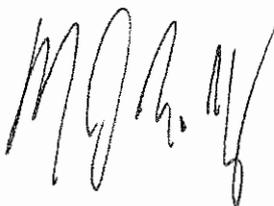
PROVIDED THAT where a member does not complete the *prescribed period* or *prescribed number of sorties* required by subparagraphs c(i), c(ii), c(iii), or c(iv) owing to his or her death, evacuation due to illness, injury or other physical disability due to service in the *prescribed operation*, the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

Dated 10 August 2009



Governor-General

By Her Excellency's Command



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