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



## COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

### DECLARATION AND DETERMINATION UNDER THE AUSTRALIAN ACTIVE SERVICE MEDAL REGULATIONS

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

- (a) **revoke** the Declaration and Determination made on 1 March 2000 under regulation 3 and subregulation 4(2) respectively of the Regulations;
- (b) **declare**, under regulation 3 of the Regulations, the following warlike operations in which members of the Australian Defence Force are engaged in the area comprising East Timor and the sea adjacent to East Timor out to a distance of 12 nautical miles from the low water mark to be a *prescribed operation* for the purposes of the Regulations:
  - (i) Operation ‘Faber’ that commenced on 16 September 1999 and ended on 23 February 2000;
  - (ii) Operation ‘Warden’ that commenced on 16 September 1999 and ended on 10 April 2000
  - (iii) Operation ‘Tanager’ that commenced on 20 February 2000 and ended on 19 May 2002; and
  - (iv) Operation ‘Citadel’ that commenced on 20 May 2002 and ended on 17 August 2003.
- (c) **determine**, under subregulation 4(2) of the Regulations, that the conditions for the award of the AASM with Clasp ‘EAST TIMOR’ (“the Medal”) for that *prescribed operation* are:

- (i) the Medal may be awarded to a member of the Australian Defence Force who rendered allotted service as such a member while posted as 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 allotted service as such a member for a *prescribed period* 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 allotted service as such a member and who completed a *prescribed number of sorties* within the duration of the *prescribed operation*;
- (iv) for the period that commenced on 16 September 1999 and ended on 17 August 2003, the Medal may be awarded to a member of the Australian Defence Force who rendered service as such a member and who for a *prescribed period*, undertook 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;
- (vi) in this paragraph “prescribed period” means:
  - (A) in relation to subparagraphs (c)(i), (c)(ii) and (c)(v), a period of not less than one day; and
  - (B) in relation to subparagraph (c)(iv), a period of not less than an aggregate of 30 days;


PROVIDED THAT the qualifying period of service as described in subparagraphs (c)(i), (c)(ii) or (c)(iii) may be deemed by the Chief of the Defence Force or delegate to have been established notwithstanding that the member has not met the qualifying periods described if service in relation to the prescribed operation was

terminated owing to the death, evacuation due to illness or injury or other disability due to service;

(vii) in this paragraph “prescribed number of sorties” means:

- (A) one operational sortie from a unit assigned to the prescribed operation; and
- (B) 30 non-operational sorties from any unit, not necessarily assigned to the operation, where those sorties were conducted over a period of not less than an aggregate of 30 days at a rate of one sortie per day.

Dated 15 December 2004

  
Governor-General

By His Excellency's Command



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For the Minister for Defence