	DECISION BRIEF FOR CN ADDITIONS TO RAN CAMPAIGN AWARDS & BATTLE HONOURS	
	Division / Directorate: DGNCPPE / SPC-A Timing: Routine Copies: DCN, DGNCC, COMAUSFLT, COMSURFOR, COMSUBFOR, COMFAA, Navy Badge Manager	Reference: DI (N) ADMIN 8-2 SPC-A/OUT2014/152 Action required by: Routine

Recommendation(s):

That you:

- i. **note** that a number of RAN units have become eligible for the award of campaign awards since the last review of RAN Campaign Awards & Battle Honours was approved in 2010.

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- ii. **endorse** the proposed additions to the RAN battle honours/campaign awards.

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Key Points

1. Royal Australian Navy policy concerning the award of campaign and battle honours is found in DI (N) ADMIN 8-2, *RAN Policy on the award of campaign and battle honours* - (Enclosure 1).
2. Since the outcome of the last review was approved in 2010, a number of RAN units have become eligible for awards as a result of:
 - a. the formal conclusion of the RAN's role in Operation SLIPPER on 1 July 2014 - the ADF contribution to the US-led Multinational Force to combat terrorism;
 - b. the findings of separate Nature of Service and Defence Honours and Awards Tribunal reviews concerning active service; and
 - c. research conducted by Naval History Section staff concerning the RAN's participation in previous warlike operations.
3. Determining factors when considering the potential award of Battle Honours and Campaign Awards include:
 - a. the classification of the nature of service e.g. active, warlike or non warlike;
 - b. the type of medallic recognition conferred for a particular campaign or operation; and
 - c. the ever-changing face of naval warfare/operations.

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4. A review concerning the eligibility of RAN units for new awards has been completed by Naval History Section staff. Background information concerning the proposed awards can be found in Attachment A.

5. The following specific additions/amendments are proposed for your endorsement:

- a. Amendment to the existing campaign award – RABAUL 1914 - to include the RAN auxiliary *Esturia* whose participation in that campaign was not previously recognised.

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- b. Institution of a new campaign award styled – CHINA STATION 1915-1917 – to recognise the involvement of HMA Ships and auxiliaries *Encounter*, *Psyche*, *Fantome*, *Parramatta*, *Warrego*, *Yarra*, *Torrens*, *Huon*, *Swan*, *Una* and *Esturia* in the long running maritime security campaign that stretched from Hong Kong to the Bay of Bengal during World War I.

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- c. Institution of a new campaign award styled – SOMALIA 1993 – to recognise active service rendered by HMA Ships *Tobruk* and *Jervis Bay*, Clearance Diving Team 1 and 817 Squadron under the auspices of Operation SOLACE during 1993.

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- d. Amendment to the existing campaign award – KUWAIT - to include the addition of the date '1993' in recognition of active service rendered by HMAS *Canberra* during Operation DAMASK VI when she participated in US led cruise missile strikes against Iraq.

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- e. Amendment to the existing Campaign Award – EAST TIMOR 1999-2000 – to read EAST TIMOR 1999-2001 in recognition of active service rendered by HMAS Ships *Mermaid*, *Paluma*, *Benalla*, *Shepparton*, *Wewak*, *Balikpapan*, *Betano*, *Brunei*, *Labuan*, *Tarakan* and *Jervis Bay* during 2000-2001 under the auspices of Operation TANAGER.

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- f. Institution of a new campaign award styled – MIDDLE EAST 2003-2014 to recognise active service by those RAN units deployed under the auspices of Operation SLIPPER between 23 July 2003 and 1 July 2014. The following units are considered eligible:

HMA Ships *Newcastle*, *Melbourne*, *Stuart*, *Adelaide*, *Darwin*, *Tobruk*, *Parramatta*, *Ballarat*, *Warramunga*, *Toowoomba*, *Anzac* and *Arunta* and 816 Squadron, 817 Squadron and Clearance Diving Team 1

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6. The inclusion of the RAN submarine force is also being investigated and considered by DGSC. Due to the sensitive nature of submarine operations, any potential awards for submarines will be submitted under separate correspondence pending advice from DGSC.
7. Following your endorsement a separate MINSUB will be prepared by the Naval History Section seeking His Excellency the Governor General's approval of the new campaign awards iaw established protocols promulgated in Article 12c of DI (N) ADMIN 8-2 (Tab A).

Implications for Navy

8. The honours carried by RAN units are a reflection and public presentation of the operational history of Australia's naval forces. Battle honour boards promote a sense of achievement and foster esprit de corps throughout the Service. The updating of RAN awards is in keeping with established naval tradition and serves to enhance the RAN's reputation. It is customary to issue a media release following the approval of any new awards which, in itself, presents a positive public relations opportunity.
9. Alterations to the RAN's Battle Honours and Campaign Awards will require DI (N) ADMIN 8-2 to be revised and updated to reflect any approved changes. This is a routine administrative function of the Naval History Section as its sponsor.
10. A national memorial commemorating the RAN's service is situated on Anzac Parade, Canberra. The routine maintenance of the sculpture and surrounding grounds is the responsibility of the National Capital Authority. The NCA will not, however, fund alterations or additions to the memorial itself.
11. A feature of the memorial is two plinths that display a complete record of RAN battle honours and campaign awards in the form of bronze plaques with the name of the award appearing on them in raised lettering (Attachment B). Additional plaques will be required to bring the memorial up-to-date.

Resources

12. The cost of making alterations to battle honour boards is borne by the unit affected iaw DI(N) ADMIN 8-6 *Royal Australian Navy Policy and Guidance on Navy Badge, Logo Designs and Associated Items*. Historically, amendments and additions to existing honour boards have been budgeted for and incorporated in planned maintenance programs.
13. Alterations to the entitlements of former RAN units are administrative in nature with no inherent cost to the RAN. Changes can affect private ex-Service groups that routinely parade behind banners bearing the battle honours of their unit. The decision to alter such banners, and the associated costs, is the sole responsibility of the group concerned.
14. Following the 2010 review the Naval memorial on Anzac Parade was redesigned so that future plaques can be added in a cost effective manner. The following additional plaques are anticipated:

- a. CHINA STATION 1915-1917

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- b. KUWAIT 1991-1993
- c. SOMALIA 1993
- d. EAST TIMOR 1999-2001
- e. MIDDLE EAST 2003-2014

15. A costing has been sought from the manufacturer of the bronze plaques, Phoenix Foundry, to have an additional five plaques made and it is estimated that the cost to the RAN will be \$1234.75. (Attachment C). Funding and coordination of this activity has previously been borne/facilitated by DNCC on your behalf.

Consultation

- 16. a. Directorate of Defence Honours and Awards, to determine the nature of service and medallic recognition afforded to RAN units involved in contemporary operations,
- b. Navy Badge Manager, concerning redesigning those battle honour boards potentially affected by the outcome of this review,
- c. Director General Submarine Capability, concerning whether any RAN submarines might be eligible for potential campaign awards,
- d. Manager Navy Brand and Marketing, concerning the role previously played by DNCC in updating the RAN memorial located on Anzac Parade, Canberra.
- e. Representatives from Phoenix Foundry.

Attachments:

- A. Background information on proposed alterations and additions to RAN Campaign Awards.
- B. Example of Battle Honour plinths situated at the Naval Memorial, Anzac Parade.
- C. ROM costing to have five additional plaques manufactured for the Naval Memorial on Anzac Parade, Canberra.

Enclosures:

- 1. DI (N) ADMIN 8-2, *RAN Policy on the award of campaign and battle honours*.
- 2. Commonwealth of Australia Gazette No. S86, Friday, 20 May 2011. (Operation SOLACE).
- 3. Veteran's Entitlement Act 1986, Instrument of Allotment of Persons, 3 July 2009 (HMAS Canberra II).

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<p>Financial:</p> <p>Sir, If approved, funding for the five bronze plaques can be absorbed within existing funding lines</p> <p>s22</p> <p>SA CRAIG CAPT DGNCC</p> <p>11 Nov 14</p>	
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<p>Cleared by: DCN</p> <p>s22</p> <p>MJ VAN BALEN RADM DCN</p> <p>13 Nov 14</p>
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ATTACHMENT A TO
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**HISTORICAL BACKGROUND INFORMATION IN SUPPORT OF THE AWARD
OF CAMPAIGN & BATTLE HONOURS TO RAN UNITS**

RABAUL 1914

1. The capture and occupation of Germany's Pacific colonies was the RAN's first WW1 operation. It involved virtually the entire Fleet Unit, various auxiliaries taken up from trade and temporarily commissioned and saw Australia's first combat casualties including the loss of *AE1*. Since the formal approval of this award in 2010, research reveals that the RAN auxiliary *Esturia* formed part of the naval expeditionary force but was overlooked for recognition during the 2010 review. *Esturia* is therefore considered eligible for inclusion on the register of the award -RABAUL 1914

CHINA STATION 1915-1917

2. Between 1915 and 1917 the Germans attempted to raise anti-British rebellions in India, Burma (Myanmar), Singapore, the Malay peninsula and British North Borneo (Sarawak) using weapons and ammunition procured by the German ambassador in Washington and carried via neutral shipping through China, the Dutch East Indies (Indonesia) and the Philippines. Unceasing patrol and boarding work undertaken by a deployed RAN flotilla became a vital part of the British counter-operation, owing not only to the relative predominance of Australian warships on the China Station (during some periods over 50% of available forces) but also to the ease and efficiency with which the ships responded to changing requirements. The constant interruption caused to German planning through the capture of their agents, the seizing of their contraband and the interception of their mail ensured that enemy plots remained for the most part incoherent and disorganised. Combined with the regular showing of the white ensign across the length and breadth of the station, RAN activities also did much to demonstrate the empire's continued authority among the indigenous populations.

3. The importance of this long running maritime security campaign was not recognised in the last review and the following HMA Ships and auxiliaries are considered to be eligible: *Encounter*, *Psyche*, *Fantome*, *Parramatta*, *Warrego*, *Yarra*, *Torrens*, *Huon*, *Swan*, *Una* and *Esturia*.

SOMALIA 1993

4. HMA Ships *Jervis Bay* and *Tobruk* deployed to Somalia in support of ADF/coalition operations (Operation SOLACE) in December 1992 arriving in the AO in January 1993. Embarked in *Tobruk* were a diving/EOD detachment from Clearance Diving Team 1 and a Sea King helicopter flight from 817 Squadron. At that time it was the largest ADF sealift operation since the Vietnam War.

5. *Jervis Bay* discharged her cargo and returned to Australia while *Tobruk* remained in the AO in support of ADF operations ashore. *Tobruk* routinely conducted resupply runs between Mombasa, Kenya and Somalia's capital Mogadishu until the end of the ADF involvement in

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May 1993. *Jervis Bay* then returned to Somalia to assist in back-loading ADF equipment and assets.

6. In 1993 the award of the Australian Service Medal (ASM) was approved for the crew of *Tobruk* and her embarked forces for its involvement in what was deemed at the time to be non-warlike service. The qualifying period for the award of the ASM was 30 days in the AO. *Jervis Bay* did not qualify yet RAAF personnel and ground forces were awarded the Australian Active Service Medal (AASM) for one day's service in the AO. Both RAN ships variously entered the enclosed waters of Mogadishu Harbour numerous times and as such were as much at risk as their shore-based counterparts.

7. This inequity was addressed in a Nature of Service Review conducted in 2011 which concluded that the participation of all ADF personnel in Operation SOLACE constituted active service - Commonwealth of Australia Gazette No. S86, Friday, 20 May 2011 refers (Enclosure 2).

8. The institution of a campaign award styled SOMALIA 1993 is considered appropriate recognition of the involvement of the following RAN units: HMAS *Jervis Bay*, HMAS *Tobruk*, 817 Squadron, CDT 1.

KUWAIT 1991 - 1993

9. In 1992-1993 HMAS *Canberra* deployed to the Middle East under the auspices of Operation DAMASK VI. One of the duties performed was that of anti-air warfare commander for the Maritime Interception Force. In execution of that duty *Canberra* was assigned as consort to the destroyer USS *Caron* during the period 13-19 January 1993. The two ships operated together in close company in the Northern Red Sea at a high state of readiness to launch Tomahawk Land Attack Missiles against military targets in Iraq. During the evening of 17 January 1993 *Caron* was assigned a firing position and strike window and engaged those targets. Throughout the attack phase *Canberra* provided AAW defence for *Caron* during which time the air threat warning was raised from white to yellow in response to a Scud missile alert. *Canberra's* S70B-2 (816 Squadron) provided range clearance throughout the strike.

10. On 3 July 2009 the then VCDF signed the instrument retrospectively allotting the crew of HMAS *Canberra* for duty in the Red Sea for the period 13-19 January 1993 (Enclosure 3). This saw *Canberra's* service classified as active service and members of her crew and embarked flight from 816 Squadron receive the Australian Active Service Medal, clasp KUWAIT, in recognition of their service.

EAST TIMOR 2000 - 2001

11. The naval contribution to operations in East Timor was not only one of the most extensive and complex operations undertaken by the RAN in its recent history but also one of the more public. The naval presence ensured that INTERFET was able to undertake its tasks ashore and as a result of the scope, high public profile and nature of that operation a campaign award styled EAST TIMOR 1999-2000 was instituted in 2010.

12. A number of RAN units served in East Timor (Timor-Leste) post 2000 in support of Operation TANAGER - the provision of Australian forces in support of the United Nations

Transitional Administration in East Timor (UNTAET), 20 February 2000 – 19 May 2002. The crews of those ships allotted for service in support of TANAGER received the Australian Active Service Medal, clasp East Timor as their service was deemed warlike.

13. HMA Ships *Benalla*, *Shepparton*, *Paluma* and *Mermaid* conducted survey operations in support of Operation TANAGER during 2001 qualifying for active service as did HMA Ships *Jervis Bay*, *Wewak*, *Balikpapan*, *Betano*, *Brunei*, *Labuan*, and *Tarakan*.

14. Endorsement of this award would result in altering the existing campaign award styled: EAST TIMOR 1999-2000 to read: EAST TIMOR 1999-2001.

MIDDLE EAST 2003 - 2014

15. Between 23 July 2003 and 1 July 2014 RAN units participated in post 2003 Iraq War deployments to the Middle East under the auspices of Operation SLIPPER. Service during that period was classified as active service and the involvement of RAN personnel saw them awarded the Australian Active Service medal.

16. The following RAN units are considered eligible for this campaign award: HMA Ships *Newcastle*, *Melbourne*, *Stuart*, *Adelaide*, *Darwin*, *Tobruk*, *Parramatta*, *Ballarat*, *Warramunga*, *Toowoomba*, *Anzac*, *Arunta*, 816 Squadron, 817 Squadron, and CDT 1.

Operation MANITOU

17. Operation MANITOU is the RAN's post 1 July 2014 contribution to enforcing maritime security and counter piracy operations in the MEAO and is presently classified as 'non warlike'. As this is an ongoing operation it will be reviewed when the next Campaign Award and Battle Honour review is initiated.

ATTACHMENT B TO
SPC-A/OUT2014/152EXAMPLE OF THE TWO BATTLE HONOUR PLINTHS SITUATED AT THE
NAVAL MEMORIAL ON ANZAC PARADE, CANBERRA

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**ENCLOSURE 1 TO
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**ENCLOSURE 2 TO
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Commonwealth of Australia Gazette No. S86, Friday, 20 May 2011. (Operation SOLACE).

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**ENCLOSURE 3 TO
SPC-A/OUT /2014/152**

Veteran's Entitlement Act 1986, Instrument of Allotment of Persons, 3 July 2009
(HMAS *Canberra* II).



DEFENCE INSTRUCTIONS (NAVY)

Department of Defence
(Navy Strategic Command)
CANBERRA ACT 2600

1 March 2010

Amendments to Defence Instruction (Navy) ADMIN 8–2 are issued pursuant to sections 9(2) and 9A(3) of the *Defence Act 1903*.

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R.H. CRANE
Vice Admiral, RAN
Chief of Navy

ISSUE NO ADMIN 4/2010

Amendments

ADMIN 8–2
AMDT NO 1
Complete Revision

Royal Australian Navy policy on the award of campaign and battle honours

Cancellation

DI(N) ADMIN 8–2 ISSUE NO ADMIN 20/82 of 31 DEC 82 is cancelled.

Note

This amendment incorporates a title change.

ROYAL AUSTRALIAN NAVY POLICY ON THE AWARD OF CAMPAIGN AND BATTLE HONOURS

Introduction

1. This Instruction states the policy for the award of campaign and battle honours to Her Majesty's Australian (HMA) ships and submarines, naval air squadrons, Clearance Diving Teams and other operational units.
2. Campaign and battle honours carried by individual units of the Royal Australian Navy (RAN) reflect not only their service but also that of the Navy as a whole. Proudly displayed, battle honour boards promote a sense of achievement and foster esprit de corps throughout the Service. They also serve as a visible reminder to members of the public of both the historic and contemporary involvement of the Navy in military operations throughout the world.

Background

3. The conventions used for the award of campaign and battle honours have their origins with the Royal Navy (RN) from which many of the RAN's traditions were adopted. The earliest RN battle honour is 'ARMADA 1588' although the RN's first formal list of battle honours was not published until 1954. This list included awards to units of Commonwealth navies and when necessary was periodically updated by the Admiralty to reflect involvement in subsequent campaigns and actions.
4. In 1982 the RAN conducted a partial review of the RN's authorised list of campaign and battle honours, highlighting several anomalies where RAN units had not received appropriate recognition for past campaigns or actions. This review emphasised the need for the RAN to create and manage its own uniquely Australian system of awarding campaign and battle honours. In 1989 further steps were taken to implement this policy, including a determination that only campaign and battle honours earned by commissioned ships, naval air squadrons and other operational units of the RAN were to appear on battle honour boards. The practice of Australian ships, submarines, naval air squadrons and units inheriting honours won by RN ships/units of the same name was to cease following a 'sunset' period.
5. In 2008 a comprehensive review of the RAN's campaign and battle honours was completed by the Naval History Section (NHS) within the Sea Power Centre—Australia. This examined the operational history of the RAN and proposed a number of retrospective and contemporary campaign and battle honours for which no award had previously been granted. Approval for the awarding of these battle honours was granted by the Governor-General in 2009. This Defence Instruction (Navy) reflects the sum of these policy changes.

Unit histories

6. Folio 1 of the Captain's Ship's Book is to contain a record of service of Australian warships, or operational units, of the same name. It is necessary, however, to distinguish between 'record of service' and 'campaign and battle honour'. There is a tendency to regard the latter in terms of general naval events which, though meritorious in themselves, are not of sufficient importance to be ranked as campaign or battle honours. If awards are made too freely they lose much of their value. Moreover, limitations of space make it impossible for all actions to be included on a battle honour scroll. In many cases several incidents may be incorporated into a single, short titled, battle honour.
7. If a ship is renamed at any time she will assume the battle honours of her new name and will no longer be entitled to those previously worn under the old name.

Award of campaign and battle honours

8. As a general guideline campaign and battle honours will be awarded to the following units:
- a. To Naval ships, submarines and air squadrons allocated for service in a particular area of operations. In the case of ships with embarked flights the award would be also carried by the parent squadron of the embarked flight. Similarly, where a squadron is awarded a battle honour as an embarked flight, the ship carrying the flight would also be awarded the campaign or battle honour.
 - b. To formally constituted units such as Clearance Diving Teams.
 - c. To other deployed naval combat organisations assessed on a case-by-case basis (eg RAN Beach Commando).
9. Campaign and battle honours are awarded by the Governor-General for successful war or warlike service and may be granted to those commissioned units that take part in actions or campaigns categorised as follows:
- a. **Multiship actions.** Fleet, squadron, task force or task group actions including coalition and combined operations, consisting of:
 - (1) the protection of maritime trade in a high threat environment;
 - (2) engagements with light enemy forces when both sides incur losses or heavy damage;
 - (3) operations which resulted in successfully achieving strategic objectives or frustrating the enemy's intention although no engagement with enemy forces may have occurred; and
 - (4) major bombardments (naval gunfire support or air attacks) when there was appreciable opposition by the enemy.
 - b. **Single ship actions.** Single engagements of particular significance between two ships (eg HMAS SYDNEY and SMS EMDEN in 1914) may be eligible for a battle honour.
 - c. **Joint operations.** Joint operations such as an amphibious assault, which successfully achieves its strategic objectives, may be recognised with the award of a battle honour. When the RAN's role is limited, such as the safe conveyance of troops to the point of attack, or conducted in a low-threat environment, a naval battle honour will not normally be awarded, notwithstanding that another participating military unit may wear the honour on its colour.
 - d. **Campaign awards.** Campaign/battle honours may be awarded for certain campaigns as a whole rather than for individual actions during those campaigns, but only where a participating unit made a substantial contribution to the successful outcome of the campaign.
 - e. **Area awards.** Units may also be awarded an honour for service in a specified area of operations when their actions are not covered by any of the categories above (eg HMA Ships SYDNEY and MELBOURNE in the North sea, 1916–1918).
10. In deciding which actions are to rank as campaign/battle honours the following guidelines are applied, although each individual case must be judged on its own merits:
- a. Battle honours will normally be awarded for those actions which resulted in the defeat of the enemy or when the action was inconclusive but well fought and where outstanding efforts were made against overwhelming odds.
 - b. Battle honours will not normally be awarded for a defeat or when the action was inconclusive or badly fought.

11. In order for a ship or unit to qualify for a particular battle honour the ship/unit must have been present during the action, operation or campaign. The word 'present' is to be taken to mean presence at sea or in the area of operations under the direct orders of the Senior Officer controlling the operation even though some ships/units may not have opened fire on the enemy.

Procedure for the awarding of battle honours

12. The award of campaign awards and battle honours is managed as follows:
- Recommendations for new battle honours or campaign awards will be researched and raised by the NHS and include a list of eligible units.
 - The NHS will present the recommendation to the Naval Historical Advisory Committee for endorsement.
 - The endorsed recommendation for the award will be forwarded to Chief of Navy (CN) for agreement. CN is to submit the proposal for approval to the Governor-General through the Minister for Defence and Prime Minister.
 - A review of battle and campaign honours is to be conducted at least every ten years or as directed by the CN.

Battle honours approved for use in the Royal Australian Navy

13. [Annex A](#) contains the currently approved list of RAN battle honours.
14. The practice of RAN units inheriting honours won by RN ships and units of the same name has ceased. Those ships or units that have battle honour boards carrying RN Campaign and battle honours may continue to display them until that unit decommissions or until the battle honour board is replaced.

Display of battle honours

15. Campaign/battle honours awarded to RAN fleet units are displayed on a battle honour board which is to be mounted in a prominent location onboard to allow maximum visibility while ensuring its security. Battle honour boards of embarked Naval air squadrons should flank that of the platform in which they are based, while those of land-based squadrons should be mounted in a suitable location within the squadron's headquarters.

16. The battle honour board is to be carved from teak and is to incorporate the unit's name, official badge and honour scrolls. The dimensions of battle honour boards may vary slightly depending on the number of honours to which a particular ship is entitled. Generally an honour board can be mounted in an area 1120 mm x 720 mm. Honour boards for submarines are an exception to this rule since they must be embarked through the casing access hatch and accordingly are restricted in size to 535 mm x 435 mm. If a unit entitled to display battle honours does not have an official badge, a modified form of battle honour board will be provided.

17. Ships or units that have not been granted campaign or battle honours are not entitled to display a battle honour board.

Supply accounting and disposal of battle honour boards

18. The manufacture and supply of battle honour boards is the responsibility of the unit concerned and arranged by contacting the Navy Badge Manager who will provide the approved design drawing to an authorised contractor.

19. Detailed instructions concerning the procurement of battle honour boards are contained in [Defence Instruction \(Navy\) \(DI\(N\)\) ADMIN 8-6—RAN Badges, Badge Designs, Battle Honour Boards and Logos](#). Further assistance is available by contacting the Navy Badge Manager on (02) 6266 3629.

20. Battle honour boards in HMA ships and establishments are to be accounted for in the Presentations, Relics and Trophies account. Boards from ships paying off are to be disposed of in accordance with [DI\(N\) ADMIN 8-1—Royal Australian Navy Policy on the Management of Naval Heritage and the Naval Heritage Collection](#).

21. All matters associated with the award of RAN campaign and battle honours are to be directed to:

Navy History Section
Sea Power Centre—Australia
Department of Defence
PO Box 7942
CANBERRA BC ACT 2610
Attention: Senior Naval Historical Officer
Telephone: (02) 6127 6509
Email: navyhistory@defence.gov.au

Annexes:

- A. [List of approved Royal Australian Navy campaign and battle honours](#)
- B. [Consolidate list of Royal Australian Navy ships and units awarded campaign/battle honours](#)

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LIST OF APPROVED ROYAL AUSTRALIAN NAVY CAMPAIGN AND
BATTLE HONOURS

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ANNEX A TO
DI(N) ADMIN 8-2
(Complete Revision)

BATTLE HONOUR	AREA AND UNIT ELIGIBILITY
NEW ZEALAND 1860–1861	HMVS VICTORIA for service in New Zealand between 1860–1861.
CHINA 1900 CHINA 1900–1901	HMCS PROTECTOR for service between 19 September 1900–02 November 1900. The Victorian and New South Wales Naval Brigades for service in northern China in Peking and Tientsin during 1900–1901.
RABAUL 1914	All Royal Australian Navy (RAN) ships, auxiliaries and formed units which took part in the assault on Rabaul and surrounding area between 11 and 13 September 1914. HMA Ships AE1, AE2, AUSTRALIA, BERRIMA, ENCOUNTER, MELBOURNE, PARRAMATTA, PROTECTOR, SYDNEY, WARREGO, YARRA. The RAN Brigade and auxiliaries: Aorangi, Grantala, Koolonga, Murex, Upolu, Waihora, Whangape.
‘Emden’ 1914	Single ship action against the German raider <i>Emden</i> 09 November 1914—HMAS SYDNEY.
DARDANELLES 1915	For service in the prescribed area 19 February 1915 to 08 January 1916. Her Majesty’s Australian (HMA) Submarine AE2 and the RAN Bridging Train.
GERMAN EAST AFRICA 1915–1916	HMAS PIONEER for service enforcing the blockade in German East Africa between 06 February 1915–22 August 1916 and for the part played by her in the destruction of the German cruiser <i>Konigsberg</i> .
NORTH SEA 1915–1918	For service in the prescribed area between 1915–1918—HMAS AUSTRALIA. For service in the prescribed area between 1916–1918—HMA Ships SYDNEY and MELBOURNE.
ADRIATIC 1917–1918	For service in the prescribed area 1917–1918—HMA Ships HUON, PARRAMATTA, YARRA, TORRENS, SWAN, WARREGO.
INDIAN OCEAN 1917	For patrol service in pursuit of the German raider <i>Wolf</i> —HMAS BRISBANE.
CALABRIA 1940	For service in the prescribed action 09 July 1940—HMA Ships STUART, SYDNEY, VAMPIRE, VOYAGER.
SPADA 1940	For service in the prescribed action—19 July 1940—HMAS SYDNEY.
MATAPAN 1941	For service in the prescribed action 28 to 29 March 1941—HMA Ships PERTH, STUART, VENDETTA.
GREECE 1941	For service in the prescribed area 24 to 29 April 1941—HMA Ships PERTH, STUART, VOYAGER, VAMPIRE, VENDETTA, WATERHEN.

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BATTLE HONOUR	AREA AND UNIT ELIGIBILITY
CRETE 1941	For service in the prescribed area 20 May to 01 June 1941—HMA Ships PERTH, NAPIER, NIZAM, STUART, VOYAGER, VAMPIRE, VENDETTA, WATERHEN.
'Bismarck' 1941	For service in the prescribed action 23 to 27 May 1941—HMAS NESTOR.
'Kormoran' 1941	Single ship action 19 November 1941—HMAS SYDNEY.
DARWIN 1942–1943	All RAN ships, Channel Patrol Boats and Naval Auxiliary Patrol craft actively involved in defence of Darwin during the Japanese air/submarine campaign of 19 February 1942–12 November 1943. HMA Ships ARMIDALE, CASTLEMAINE, CHINAMPA, COOLEBAR, COONGoola, COOTAMUNDRA, DELORAINE, FORCEFUL, FREMANTLE, GUNBAR, IBIS, INVERELL, KALGOORLIE, KANGAROO, KARA, KARANGI, KATOOMBA, KIARA, KOALA, KOOKABURRA, KOOMPARTOO, KURU, LARRAKIA, LATROBE, LITHGOW, MARLEAN, MAVIE, MELVILLE, ML 814, ML 815, MORUYA, PATRICIA CAM, PLATYPUS, RED BILL, SEEKA, SOUTHERN CROSS, SWAN, TERKA, TOLGA, TOWNSVILLE, VIGILANT, VOYAGER, WARREGO, WARRNAMBOOL, WATO, WILCANNIA.
SUNDA STRAIT 1942	For service in the prescribed area 28 February to 01 March 1942—HMAS PERTH.
CORAL SEA 1942	For service in the prescribed area 07 May 1942—HMA Ships AUSTRALIA, HOBART.
SAVO ISLAND 1942	For service in the prescribed action 09 August 1942—HMA Ships AUSTRALIA, CANBERRA, HOBART.
GUADALCANAL 1942	For service in the prescribed area August 1942 to February 1943—HMA Ships AUSTRALIA, CANBERRA, HOBART.
SICILY 1943	For service in the prescribed area 10 July to 17 August 1943—HMA Ships CAIRNS, CESSNOCK, GAWLER, GERALDTON, IPSWICH, LISMORE, MARYBOROUGH, WOLLONGONG.
SABANG 1944	For service in the prescribed shore bombardment 25 July 1944—HMAS QUICKMATCH.
BURMA 1944–1945	For service in the prescribed area October 1944 to August 1945—HMA Ships NAPIER, NEPAL, NORMAN.
LEYTE GULF 1944	For service in the prescribed area 20 to 27 October 1944—HMA Ships ARUNTA, AUSTRALIA, GASCOYNE, HDML 1074, KANIMBLA, MANOORA, SHROPSHIRE, WARRAMUNGA, WESTRALIA.
LINGAYEN GULF 1945	05 to 09 January 1945—HMA Ships ARUNTA, AUSTRALIA, GASCOYNE, KANIMBLA, MANOORA, SHROPSHIRE, WARRAMUNGA, WARREGO, WESTRALIA.

BATTLE HONOUR	AREA AND UNIT ELIGIBILITY
ATLANTIC 1939–1943	<p>The North Atlantic, from the Equator to the Arctic Circle.</p> <p>All ships and submarines which were employed as escorts to ocean convoys in the North Atlantic and also those ships of support groups which took part in a successful action—HMA Ships AUSTRALIA, NESTOR, PERTH, QUIBERON, QUICKMATCH.</p>
ENGLISH CHANNEL 1942	<p>The English Channel and all waters on the south coast between Southend and Bristol, the western limit being a line drawn from Ushant to the Scilly Islands and thence to the north coast of Cornwall.</p> <p>All ships which were employed as escorts to Channel and coastal convoys and also other ships and submarines which took part in a successful action in the area—HMAS QUICKMATCH.</p>
MEDITERRANEAN 1940–1943	<p>The whole of the Mediterranean, the western limit being a line joining Cape Spartel and Cape Trafalgar.</p> <p>All ships and submarines which took part in successful actions that are not covered by any of the named battle honours for the area. That is to say, the destruction of an enemy ship or submarine which was effected during and in connection with a recognized campaign, eg SICILY 1943, is regarded as an incidental item of the campaign and not as qualifying for a separate battle honour award. If however, the success was unconnected with any named operation for which a battle honour is granted, then it will qualify for the general award of MEDITERRANEAN with the year date(s). Minor bombardments also qualify for this award.</p> <p>HMA Ships HOBART, SYDNEY, NIZAM, PERTH, QUIBERON, STUART, VENDETTA, VOYAGER, WOLLONGONG.</p>
MALTA CONVOYS 1941–1942	<p>All ships and submarines which are mentioned in the published dispatches as having taken part in Operations EXCESS, SUBSTANCE, HALBERD, HARPOON and PEDESTAL; also those which took part in Operations MF3, MF4, MG1 and the supply of aircraft and stores to Malta.</p> <p>HMA Ships NESTOR, NIZAM, PERTH.</p>
LIBYA 1940–1941	<p>Inshore, between Port Said and Benghazi.</p> <p>All ships and vessels of the Inshore Squadron (formerly Force W), but excluding the heavier covering forces, which were employed in maintaining Tobruk and other places on the coast and generally in supporting the Army in the Western Desert. Fleet Air Arm squadrons, both carrier borne and shore based, are also eligible.</p> <p>HMA Ships NAPIER, NIZAM, PARRAMATTA, STUART, VAMPIRE, VENDETTA, VOYAGER, WATERHEN, YARRA.</p>

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PACIFIC 1941–1945	<p>The South-West Pacific area (as defined on 03 April 1942) superseding RAN PACIFIC with the exception of that 1942–1945 awarded by MOD(N) part bounded on the west by the western boundary of the Area, on the north by 7°N, on the east by 108°E and on the south by 7°S.</p> <p>Ships which gave direct support to the guerilla campaign in Timor; or sank Japanese submarines; or took part in the Borneo operations in 1945; or operated in support of the Australian land forces in the Solomon Islands in 1945; or participated in minor bombardments (unless the battle honour NEW GUINEA 1942–1944 is applicable); or were employed as escorts to convoys (unless the battle honour NEW GUINEA 1942–1944 is applicable), during the period 01 January 1942 to 14 August 1945.</p> <p>HMAS Ships ABRAHAM CRIJNSSSEN, ADELAIDE, ARARAT, ARMIDALE, ARUNTA, AUSTRALIA, BALLARAT, BARCOO, BATHURST, BENDIGO, BINGERA, BOWEN, BROOME, BUNBURY, BUNDABERG, BUNGAREE, BURDEKIN, BURNIE, CAIRNS, CANBERRA, CASTLEMAINE, CESSNOCK, COLAC, COOTAMUNDRA, COWRA, DELORAIN, DIAMANTINA, DOOMBA, DUBBO, ECHUCA, FORCEFUL, FREMANTLE, GASCOYNE, GAWLER, GEELONG, GERALDTON, GLADSTONE, GLENELG, GOULBURN, GUNBAR, GYMPIE, HAWKESBURY, HOBART, INVERELL, IPSWICH, JUNEE, KALGOORLIE, KANIMBLA, KAPUNDA, KATOOMBA, KIAMA, KURU, KYBRA, LACHLAN, LATROBE, LAUNCESTON, LISMORE, LITHGOW, MANOORA, MARYBOROUGH, MILDURA, ML424, ML 425, ML426, ML427, ML428, ML429, ML430, ML431, ML801, ML802, ML803, ML804, ML805, ML806, ML807, ML808, ML809, ML813, ML814, ML815, ML816, ML817, ML818, ML819, ML820, ML821, ML822, ML823, MORESBY, NAPIER, NEPAL, NIZAM, PARKES, PERTH, PIRIE, QUIBERON, QUICKMATCH, ROCKHAMPTON, SEA MIST, SHEPPARTON, SHROPSHIRE, STAWELL, STEADY HOUR, STRAHAN, STUART, SWAN, TAMWORTH, TOOWOOMBA, TOWNSVILLE, VENDETTA, VIGILANT, VOYAGER, WAGGA, WALLAROO, WARRAMUNGA, WARREGO, WARRNAMBOOL, WESTRALIA, WHYALLA, WILCANNIA, WOLLONGONG, YANDRA, YARROMA.</p>
OKINAWA 1945	<p>All ships and submarines which are mentioned in the published dispatch as having taken part in Operation ICEBERG.</p> <p>HMA Ships AASE MAERSK, BALLARAT, BENDIGO, BURNIE, CAIRNS, KALGOORLIE, LAUNCESTON, LISMORE, NAPIER, NEPAL, NIZAM, NORMAN, PIRIE, QUIBERON, QUICKMATCH, WHYALLA.</p>
JAPAN 1945	<p>Fleet carriers and their aircraft and surface combatants which took part in the final attacks on Japanese warships and shore positions.</p> <p>HMAS QUIBERON</p>

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BATTLE HONOUR	AREA AND UNIT ELIGIBILITY
INDIAN OCEAN 1941–1945	<p>All of the Indian Ocean north of 23°S with the exception of that part east of 95E and south of 7°N.</p> <p>Ships which sank enemy submarines or were employed as escorts to convoys in the area during the period 08 December 1941 to 15 August 1945.</p> <p>HMA Ships BATHURST, BURNIE, CAIRNS, CESSNOCK, GAWLER, GERALDTON, HOBART, IPSWICH, LAUNCESTON, LISMORE, MANOORA, MARYBOROUGH, NAPIER, NEPAL, NESTOR, NIZAM, NORMAN, QUIBERON, QUICKMATCH, TAMWORTH, TOOWOOMBA, VAMPIRE, WOLLONGONG.</p>
EAST INDIES 1940–1944	<p>The Indian Ocean including the Red Sea, Bay of Bengal and the Arabian Sea.</p> <p>Those ships which conducted successful attacks against enemy shipping, significant enemy shore establishments or defended merchant convoys in the face of overwhelming superior enemy forces. HMA Ships ADELAIDE, CANBERRA, HOBART, IPSWICH, LAUNCESTON, NORMAN, QUIBERON, WOLLONGONG, YARRA.</p>
NEW GUINEA 1942–1944	<p>(Superseding RAN PACIFIC 1942–1945 awarded by MOD(N)).</p> <p>Ships which took part in the New Guinea Campaign 21 July 1942 to 30 September 1944, ie operations against enemy held territory in New Guinea (including Papua and Netherlands New Guinea), New Britain, the Bismarck Archipelago, New Ireland and Morotai Island and ships employed as escorts to convoys for this campaign.</p> <p>HMAS Ships ARARAT, ARMIDALE, ARUNTA, AUSTRALIA, BALLARAT, BARCOO, BENALLA, BENDIGO, BOWEN, BROOME, BUNBURY, BUNDABERG, CASTLEMAINE, CESSNOCK, COLAC, COOTAMUNDRA, COWRA, DELORAIN, ECHUCA, GASCOYNE, GEELONG, GLADSTONE, GLENELG, GOULBURN, GYMPIE, HAWKESBURY, HDML 1074, 1129, 1161, 1325, JUNE, KALGOORLIE, KANIMBLA, KAPUNDA, KATOOMBA, KIAMA, KWATO, LATROBE, LAURABADA, LITHGOW, MANOORA, MATAFELE, MILDURA, ML 424, ML425, ML426, ML 427, ML 428, ML 430, ML 431, ML 801, ML 802, ML 803, ML 806, ML 816, ML 817, ML 818, ML 819, MORESBY, PALUMA, PARKES, PIRIE, POLARIS, RESERVE, ROCKHAMPTON, SHEPPARTON, SHROPSHIRE, STAWELL, STELLA, STRAHAN, STUART, SWAN, TOWNSVILLE, VENDETTA, WAGGA, WARRAMUNGA, WARREGO, WARRNAMBOOL, WESTRALIA, WHYALLA, WILCANNIA, WINTER.</p>
BORNEO 1945	<p>All RAN ships involved in the amphibious assault and capture of Borneo during 1945.</p> <p>HMA Ships ARUNTA, BARCOO, BURDEKIN, GASCOYNE, HAWKESBURY, HOBART, KANIMBLA, LACHLAN, LATROBE, MANOORA, SHROPSHIRE, STAWELL, WARRAMUNGA, WARREGO, WESTRALIA and RAN Beach Commando.</p>

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KOREA 1950–1953	<p>The Korean Operational area. Awarded by the Admiralty MOD(N) to all ships and Fleet Air Arm squadrons allotted for duty in this area between 27 June 1950 and 27 July 1953.</p> <p>HMA Ships ANZAC, BATAAN, CONDAMINE, CULGOA, MURCHISON, SHOALHAVEN, SYDNEY, TOBRUK, WARRAMUNGA and Fleet Air Arm squadrons 805, 808 and 817.</p>
MALAYA 1955–1960	<p>The Malay Peninsular. All ships, naval air squadrons and formed constituted units engaged in combat operations against Communist Terrorists during the period of the Malay Emergency (1955–1960).</p> <p>HMA Ships ANZAC, QUEENBOROUGH, QUICKMATCH, TOBRUK.</p>
MALAYSIA 1964–1966	<p>Malaysia and contiguous waters. All ships, naval air squadrons and formed constituted units allotted for operational service in support of the Federated States of Malaysia between 1964 and 1966.</p> <p>HMAS Ships CURLEW, DERWENT, DUCHESS, GULL, HAWK, IBIS, MELBOURNE, PARRAMATTA, SNIPE, SUPPLY, SYDNEY, TEAL, VAMPIRE, VENDETTA, YARRA and Fleet Air Arm squadrons 816 and 817.</p>
VIETNAM 1965–1972	<p>The Vietnam Operational Area.</p> <p>All HMA ships, Fleet Air Arm squadrons and operational units allotted for duty in this area during this period.</p> <p>HMAS Ships BOONAROO, BRISBANE, HOBART, JEPARIT, PERTH, SYDNEY, VENDETTA. Fleet Air Arm squadrons 723, 725, 817. Clearance Diving Teams 1 and 3. Clearance Diving Team 3 award to be carried by Clearance Diving Teams 1 and 2 whose members comprised this unit, in keeping with current practice.</p>
KUWAIT 1991	<p>The Middle East Theatre of Operations. All ships, embarked flights and formed units allotted for service in the Middle East Theatre of Operations between 17 January 1991 and 28 February 1991.</p> <p>HMA Ships BRISBANE, SUCCESS, SYDNEY, WESTRALIA. Fleet Air Arm squadrons 723 and 816. Clearance Diving Team 3, to be carried by Clearance Diving Teams 1, 2 and 4 whose members comprised this unit, in keeping with current practice.</p>

BATTLE HONOUR	AREA AND UNIT ELIGIBILITY
EAST TIMOR 1999–2000	<p>East Timor Theatre of Operations.</p> <p>All RAN ships, embarked flights and operational units allotted for duty in this area.</p> <p>HMA Ships ADELAIDE, ANZAC, BALIKPAPAN, BETANO, BRUNEI, DARWIN, JERVIS BAY, LABUAN, MELBOURNE, NEWCASTLE, SUCCESS, SYDNEY, TARAKAN, TOBRUK. Fleet Air Arm squadrons 723, 816,817. Clearance Diving Teams 1 and 4.</p>
PERSIAN GULF 2001–2003	<p>Middle East Theatre of Operations.</p> <p>All RAN ships, embarked flights and formed constituted units allotted for duty as part of the War Against Terror.</p> <p>HMA Ships ADELAIDE, ANZAC, ARUNTA, CANBERRA, DARWIN, KANIMBLA, MANOORA, MELBOURNE, NEWCASTLE, SYDNEY. Fleet Air Arm squadrons 816 and 817 Clearance Diving Teams 1 and 4.</p>
IRAQ 2003	<p>All RAN ships, embarked flights and formed constituted units allotted for duty during the War with Iraq or involved in post war operations.</p> <p>HMA Ships ANZAC, DARWIN, KANIMBLA, SYDNEY. Fleet Air Arm squadrons 816 and 817. Clearance Diving Team 3, to be carried by Clearance Diving Teams 1 and 4 whose members comprised this unit, in keeping with current practice.</p>

CONSOLIDATE LIST OF ROYAL AUSTRALIAN NAVY SHIPS AND UNITS AWARDED CAMPAIGN/BATTLE HONOURS

SHIP/UNIT	APPROVED BATTLE HONOURS
AASE MAERSK	OKINAWA 1945
ABRAHAM CRIJNSSEN	PACIFIC 1942–1943
ADELAIDE	PACIFIC 1941–1943
	EAST INDIES 1942
	EAST TIMOR 1999
	PERSIAN GULF 2001–2002
AE1	RABAU 1914
AE2	RABAU 1914
	DARDANELLES 1915
ANZAC	KOREA 1951–1953
	MALAYA 1956
	EAST TIMOR 1999
	PERSIAN GULF 2001–2003
	IRAQ 2003
AORANGI	RABAU 1914
ARARAT	PACIFIC 1943–1945
	NEW GUINEA 1943–1944
ARMIDALE	DARWIN 1942
	PACIFIC 1942
	NEW GUINEA 1942
ARUNTA	PACIFIC 1942–1945
	NEW GUINEA 1942–1944
	LEYTE GULF 1944
	LINGAYEN GULF 1945
	BORNEO 1945
	PERSIAN GULF 2002

SHIP/UNIT	APPROVED BATTLE HONOURS
AUSTRALIA	RABOUL 1914
	NORTH SEA 1915–1918
	ATLANTIC 1940–1941
	PACIFIC 1941–1943
	CORAL SEA 1942
	SAVO ISLAND 1942
	GUADALCANAL 1942
	NEW GUINEA 1942–1944
	LEYTE GULF 1944
	LINGAYEN GULF 1945
BALIKPAPAN	EAST TIMOR 1999–2000
BALLARAT	PACIFIC 1941–1945
	NEW GUINEA 1942–1944
	OKINAWA 1945
BARCOO	PACIFIC 1944–1945
	NEW GUINEA 1944
	BORNEO 1945
BATAAN	KOREA 1950–1952
BATHURST	INDIAN OCEAN 1942–1944
	PACIFIC 1945
BENALLA	NEW GUINEA 1943–1944
BENDIGO	PACIFIC 1942–1944
	NEW GUINEA 1942–1944
	OKINAWA 1945
BERRIMA	RABOUL 1914
BETANO	EAST TIMOR 2000
BINGERA	PACIFIC 1942–1943

SHIP/UNIT	APPROVED BATTLE HONOURS
BOONAROO	VIETNAM 1967
BOWEN	PACIFIC 1942–1945
	NEW GUINEA 1943–1944
BRISBANE	INDIAN OCEAN 1917
	VIETNAM 1969–1971
	KUWAIT 1991
BROOME	PACIFIC 1942–1945
	NEW GUINEA 1942–1944
BRUNEI	EAST TIMOR 1999–2000
BUNBURY	PACIFIC 1943–1945
	NEW GUINEA 1943–1944
BUNDABERG	PACIFIC 1942–1945
	NEW GUINEA 1943–1944
BUNGAREE	PACIFIC 1942–1943
BURDEKIN	PACIFIC 1944–1945
	BORNEO 1945
BURNIE	PACIFIC 1942–1945
	INDIAN OCEAN 1942–1944
	OKINAWA 1945
CAIRNS	PACIFIC 1942–1945
	INDIAN OCEAN 1942–1945
	SICILY 1943
	OKINAWA 1945

SHIP/UNIT	APPROVED BATTLE HONOURS
CANBERRA	EAST INDIES 1940–1941
	PACIFIC 1941–1942
	GUADALCANAL 1942
	SAVO ISLAND 1942
	PERSIAN GULF 2002
CASTLEMAINE	DARWIN 1942–1943
	PACIFIC 1942–1943
	NEW GUINEA 1942–1944
CESSNOCK	PACIFIC 1942
	NEW GUINEA 1942
	INDIAN OCEAN 1942–1945
	SICILY 1943
CHINAMPA	DARWIN 1942–1943
COLAC	PACIFIC 1942–1945
	NEW GUINEA 1942–1944
CONDAMINE	KOREA 1952–1953
COOLEBAR	DARWIN 1943
COONGoola	DARWIN 1942–1943
COOTAMUNDRA	DARWIN 1943
	PACIFIC 1943–1945
	NEW GUINEA 1944
COWRA	PACIFIC 1943–1945
	NEW GUINEA 1944
CULGOA	KOREA 1953
CURLEW	MALAYSIA 1964–1966

SHIP/UNIT	APPROVED BATTLE HONOURS
DARWIN	EAST TIMOR 1999
	PERSIAN GULF 2002–2003
	IRAQ 2003
DELORAINÉ	DARWIN 1942
	PACIFIC 1942–1945
	NEW GUINEA 1943–1944
DERWENT	MALAYSIA 1964–1966
DIAMANTINA	PACIFIC 1945
DOOMBA	PACIFIC 1942–1943
DUBBO	PACIFIC 1942–1945
DUCHESS	MALAYSIA 1965–1966
ECHUCA	PACIFIC 1942–1944
	NEW GUINEA 1943–1944
ENCOUNTER	RABAUŁ 1914
FORCEFUL	DARWIN 1942–1943
	PACIFIC 1943
FREMANTLE	DARWIN 1943
	PACIFIC 1943–1945
GASCOYNE	NEW GUINEA 1944
	LEYTE GULF 1944
	LINGAYEN GULF 1945
	BORNEO 1945
	PACIFIC 1945
GAWLER	PACIFIC 1942
	INDIAN OCEAN 1943–1945
	SICILY 1943

SHIP/UNIT	APPROVED BATTLE HONOURS
GEELONG	PACIFIC 1942–1944
	NEW GUINEA 1944
GERALDTON	PACIFIC 1942
	INDIAN OCEAN 1942–1945
	SICILY 1943
GLADSTONE	PACIFIC 1943–1945
	NEW GUINEA 1943–1944
GLENELG	PACIFIC 1942–1945
	NEW GUINEA 1943–1944
GOULBURN	PACIFIC 1942–1944
	NEW GUINEA 1942–1944
GRANTALA	RABAU 1914
GULL	MALAYSIA 1964–1966
GUNBAR	DARWIN 1942–1943
	PACIFIC 1943
GYMPIE	PACIFIC 1943–1945
	NEW GUINEA 1943–1944
HAWK	MALAYSIA 1964–1966
HAWKESBURY	PACIFIC 1944–1945
	NEW GUINEA 1944
	BORNEO 1945
HDML 1074	NEW GUINEA 1944
	LEYTE GULF 1944
HDML 1129	NEW GUINEA 1944
HDML 1161	NEW GUINEA 1943

SHIP/UNIT	APPROVED BATTLE HONOURS
HDML 1325	NEW GUINEA 1944
HOBART	MEDITERRANEAN 1941
	INDIAN OCEAN 1941
	CORAL SEA 1942
	SAVO ISLAND 1942
	GUADALCANAL 1942
	PACIFIC 1942-45
	EAST INDIES 1940
	BORNEO 1945
	VIETNAM 1967-1970
HUON	ADRIATIC 1917-1918
IBIS	DARWIN 1942-1943
	MALAYSIA 1964-1966
INVERELL	DARWIN 1943
	PACIFIC 1942-1945
IPSWICH	PACIFIC 1942
	INDIAN OCEAN 1942-1945
	SICILY 1943
	EAST INDIES 1944
	OKINAWA 1945
JEPARIT	VIETNAM 1969-1972
JERVIS BAY	EAST TIMOR 1999-2000
JUNEE	NEW GUINEA 1943
	PACIFIC 1944-1945
KALGOORLIE	DARWIN 1942-1943
	PACIFIC 1942-1943
	NEW GUINEA 1943-1944
	OKINAWA 1945

SHIP/UNIT	APPROVED BATTLE HONOURS
KANGAROO	DARWIN 1942–1943
KANIMBLA	NEW GUINEA 1944
	LEYTE GULF 1944
	LINGAYEN GULF 1945
	BORNEO 1945
	PACIFIC 1945
	PERSIAN GULF 2001–2003
	IRAQ 2003
KARA KARA	DARWIN 1942–1943
KARANGI	DARWIN 1942–1943
KAPUNDA	PACIFIC 1942–1945
	NEW GUINEA 1943–1944
KATOOMBA	DARWIN 1942
	PACIFIC 1942–1945
	NEW GUINEA 1942–1944
KIAMA	PACIFIC 1944–1945
	NEW GUINEA 1944
KIARA	DARWIN 1942–1943
KOALA	DARWIN 1942–1943
KOOKABURRA	DARWIN 1942–1943
KOOLONGA	RABAU 1914
KOOMPARTOO	DARWIN 1943
KURU	DARWIN 1942–1943
	PACIFIC 1942
KWATO	NEW GUINEA 1942

SHIP/UNIT	APPROVED BATTLE HONOURS
KYBRA	PACIFIC 1942–1943
LABUAN	EAST TIMOR 1999–2000
LACHLAN	PACIFIC 1945
	BORNEO 1945
LARRAKIA	DARWIN 1942–1943
LATROBE	PACIFIC 1942–1944
	DARWIN 1943
	PACIFIC 1942–1945
	NEW GUINEA 1943–1944
	BORNEO 1945
LAUNCESTON	PACIFIC 1942–1945
	INDIAN OCEAN 1942–1944
	EAST INDIES 1944
	OKINAWA 1945
LAURABADA	NEW GUINEA 1943
LISMORE	INDIAN OCEAN 1941–1944
	SICILY 1943
	PACIFIC 1945
	OKINAWA 1945
LITHGOW	DARWIN 1942
	PACIFIC 1941–1945
	NEW GUINEA 1942–1944
MANOORA	INDIAN OCEAN 1941–1942
	PACIFIC 1942–1945
	NEW GUINEA 1944
	LEYTE GULF 1944
	LINGAYEN GULF 1945
	BORNEO 1945

SHIP/UNIT	APPROVED BATTLE HONOURS
	PERSIAN GULF 2002
MARLEAN	DARWIN 1942
MARYBOROUGH	PACIFIC 1942
	INDIAN OCEAN 1942–1944
	SICILY 1943
MATEFELE	NEW GUINEA 1942–1944
MAVIE	DARWIN 1942
MELBOURNE	RABAU 1914
	NORTH SEA 1916–1918
	MALAYSIA 1965–1966
	EAST TIMOR 2000
	PERSIAN GULF 2002
MELVILLE	DARWIN 1942–1943
MILDURA	PACIFIC 1941–1945
	NEW GUINEA 1943–1944
ML 424	PACIFIC 1943
	NEW GUINEA 1944
ML 425	PACIFIC 1943
	NEW GUINEA 1943–1944
ML 426	PACIFIC 1943
	NEW GUINEA 1943
ML 427	PACIFIC 1943–1945
	NEW GUINEA 1944
	PACIFIC 1943
ML 428	NEW GUINEA 1943–1944
ML 429	PACIFIC 1943

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ML 430	PACIFIC 1943
	NEW GUINEA 1944
ML 431	PACIFIC 1943
	NEW GUINEA 1944
ML 801	PACIFIC 1943
	NEW GUINEA 1943-1944
ML 802	PACIFIC 1943-1944
	NEW GUINEA 1944
ML 803	PACIFIC 1943-1945
	NEW GUINEA 1944
ML 804	PACIFIC 1943-1945
ML 805	PACIFIC 1943
ML 806	PACIFIC 1943
	NEW GUINEA 1943
ML 807	PACIFIC 1943
ML 808	PACIFIC 1943-1945
ML 809	PACIFIC 1943-1944
ML 813	PACIFIC 1944
ML 814	DARWIN 1943
	PACIFIC 1943
ML 815	DARWIN 1943
	PACIFIC 1943
ML 816	PACIFIC 1943-1945
	NEW GUINEA 1943-1944

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ML 817	PACIFIC 1943
	NEW GUINEA 1943–1944
ML 818	PACIFIC 1943
	NEW GUINEA 1943
ML 819	PACIFIC 1943
	NEW GUINEA 1943–1944
ML 820	PACIFIC 1943–1945
ML 821	PACIFIC 1943
ML 822	PACIFIC 1943
ML 823	PACIFIC 1943
MORESBY	PACIFIC 1942–1943
	NEW GUINEA 1943–1944
MORUYA	DARWIN 1942–1943
MURCHISON	KOREA 1951–1952
MUREX	RABAU 1914
NSW NAVAL BRIGADE	CHINA 1900–1901
NAPIER	CRETE 1941
	LIBYA 1941
	INDIAN OCEAN 1942–1944
	BURMA 1944–1945
	PACIFIC 1945
	OKINAWA 1945

SHIP/UNIT	APPROVED BATTLE HONOURS
NEPAL	INDIAN OCEAN 1942–1945
	BURMA 1944–1945
	PACIFIC 1945
	OKINAWA 1945
NESTOR	'Bismarck' 1941
	ATLANTIC 1941
	MALTA CONVOYS 1941–1942
	INDIAN OCEAN 1942
NEWCASTLE	EAST TIMOR 1999–2000
	PERSIAN GULF 2002–2003
NIZAM	MALTA CONVOYS 1941–1942
	CRETE 1941
	LIBYA 1941
	MEDITERRANEAN 1941
	INDIAN OCEAN 1942–1944
	PACIFIC 1943
	OKINAWA 1945
NORMAN	INDIAN OCEAN 1942–1944
	EAST INDIES 1944
	BURMA 1945
	OKINAWA 1945
PALUMA	NEW GUINEA 1942–1943
PARKES	PACIFIC 1944
	NEW GUINEA 1944
PARRAMATTA	RABAU 1914
	ADRIATIC 1917–1918
	LIBYA 1941
	MALAYSIA 1964–1966
PATRICIA CAM	DARWIN 1942–1943

SHIP/UNIT	APPROVED BATTLE HONOURS
PERTH	ATLANTIC 1939–1940
	MALTA CONVOYS 1941
	MATAPAN 1941
	GREECE 1941
	CRETE 1941
	MEDITERRANEAN 1941
	PACIFIC 1941–1942
	SUNDA STRAIT 1942
	VIETNAM 1967–1971
PIONEER	GERMAN EAST AFRICA 1915–1916
PIRIE	PACIFIC 1942–1945
	NEW GUINEA 1943–1944
	OKINAWA 1945
PLATYPUS	DARWIN 1942–1943
POLARIS	NEW GUINEA 1942–1943
PROTECTOR	CHINA 1900
	RABAU 1914
QUEENBOROUGH	MALAYA 1957
QUIBERON	MEDITERRANEAN 1942
	NORTH AFRICA 1942–1943
	ATLANTIC 1943
	INDIAN OCEAN 1943–1944
	EAST INDIES 1944
	PACIFIC 1945
	OKINAWA 1945
	JAPAN 1945

SHIP/UNIT	APPROVED BATTLE HONOURS
QUICKMATCH	ENGLISH CHANNEL 1942
	ATLANTIC 1943
	INDIAN OCEAN 1943–1944
	SABANG 1944
	PACIFIC 1944–1945
	OKINAWA 1945
	MALAYA 1957
RAN BEACH COMMANDO	BORNEO 1945
RAN NAVAL BRIGADE	RABAU 1914
RED BILL	DARWIN 1942–1943
RESERVE	NEW GUINEA 1943–1944
ROCKHAMPTON	PACIFIC 1942–1945
	NEW GUINEA 1944
SEA MIST	PACIFIC 1942
SEEKA	DARWIN 1943
SHEPPARTON	PACIFIC 1943
	NEW GUINEA 1943–1944
SHOALHAVEN	KOREA 1950
SHROPSHIRE	NEW GUINEA 1943–1944
	LEYTE GULF 1944
	LINGAYEN GULF 1945
	BORNEO 1945
	PACIFIC 1945
SNIPE	MALAYSIA 1964–1966
SOUTHERN CROSS	DARWIN 1942–1943

SHIP/UNIT	APPROVED BATTLE HONOURS
STAWELL	PACIFIC 1943–1945
	NEW GUINEA 1943–1944
	BORNEO 1945
STEADY HOUR	PACIFIC 1942
STELLA	NEW GUINEA 1942–1944
STRAHAN	PACIFIC 1944–1945
	NEW GUINEA 1944
STUART	MEDITERRANEAN 1940
	CALABRIA 1940
	LIBYA 1940-41
	MATAPAN 1941
	GREECE 1941
	CRETE 1941
	PACIFIC 1942–1943
	NEW GUINEA 1942–1944
SUCCESS	KUWAIT 1991
	EAST TIMOR 1999
SUPPLY	MALAYSIA 1965–1966
SWAN	ADRIATIC 1917–1918
	DARWIN 1942
	PACIFIC 1941–1945
	NEW GUINEA 1942–1944

SHIP/UNIT	APPROVED BATTLE HONOURS
SYDNEY	RABAUl 1914
	'Emden' 1914
	NORTH SEA 1916-1918
	CALABRIA 1940
	SPADA 1940
	MEDITERRANEAN 1940
	'Kormoran' 1941
	KOREA 1951-1952
	MALAYSIA 1964
	VIETNAM 1965-1972
	KUWAIT 1991
	EAST TIMOR 1999
	PERSIAN GULF 2001-2003
	IRAQ 2003
TAMWORTH	PACIFIC 1942-1945
	INDIAN OCEAN 1943-1944
TARAKAN	EAST TIMOR 1999-2000
TEAL	MALAYSIA 1964-1966
TERKA	DARWIN 1942-1943
TOBRUK	KOREA 1951-1953
	MALAYA 1956
	EAST TIMOR 1999
TOLGA	DARWIN 1942-1943
TOOWOOMBA	PACIFIC 1942
	INDIAN OCEAN 1942-1944
TORRENS	ADRIATIC 1917-1918

SHIP/UNIT	APPROVED BATTLE HONOURS
TOWNSVILLE	DARWIN 1942
	PACIFIC 1942–1945
	NEW GUINEA 1944
UPOLU	RABAU 1914
VAMPIRE	CALABRIA 1940
	LIBYA 1940–1941
	GREECE 1941
	CRETE 1941
	INDIAN OCEAN 1941–1942
	MALAYSIA 1964–1966
VENDETTA	LIBYA 1940–1941
	MATAPAN 1941
	GREECE 1941
	CRETE 1941
	MEDITERRANEAN 1941
	PACIFIC 1943–1945
	NEW GUINEA 1943–1944
	MALAYSIA 1964–1966
	VIETNAM 1969–1970
VICTORIA	NEW ZEALAND 1860–1861
VICTORIAN NAVAL BRIGADE	CHINA 1900–1901
VIGILANT	DARWIN 1942–1943
	PACIFIC 1942–1943

SHIP/UNIT	APPROVED BATTLE HONOURS
VOYAGER	DARWIN 1942
	CALABRIA 1940
	LIBYA 1940-1941
	GREECE 1941
	CRETE 1941
	MEDITERRANEAN 1941
	PACIFIC 1942
WAGGA	PACIFIC 1943-1945
	NEW GUINEA 1943-1944
WAIHORA	RABAU 1914
WALLAROO	PACIFIC 1942
WARRAMUNGA	PACIFIC 1943-1945
	NEW GUINEA 1943-1944
	LEYTE GULF 1944
	LINGAYEN GULF 1945
	BORNEO 1945
	KOREA 1950-1952
WARREGO	RABAU 1914
	ADRIATIC 1917-1918
	DARWIN 1942
	PACIFIC 1941-1945
	NEW GUINEA 1942-1944
	LINGAYEN GULF 1945
	BORNEO 1945
WARRNAMBOOL	DARWIN 1942
	PACIFIC 1942-1945
	NEW GUINEA 1942
WATERHEN	LIBYA 1940-1941
	GREECE 1941
	CRETE 1941

SHIP/UNIT	APPROVED BATTLE HONOURS
WATO	DARWIN 1942
WESTRALIA	PACIFIC 1941–1945
	NEW GUINEA 1943–1944
	LEYTE GULF 1944
	LINGAYEN GULF 1945
	BORNEO 1945
	KUWAIT 1991
WHANGAPE	RABAU 1914
WHYALLA	PACIFIC 1942–1945
	NEW GUINEA 1942–1944
	OKINAWA 1945
WILCANNIA	DARWIN 1942–1943
	PACIFIC 1942–1944
	NEW GUINEA 1943
WINTER	NEW GUINEA 1943–1944
WOLLONGONG	PACIFIC 1942–1945
	INDIAN OCEAN 1942–1945
	SICILY 1943
	MEDITERRANEAN 1943
	EAST INDIES 1943
	OKINAWA 1945
YANDRA	PACIFIC 1942–1944
YARRA	RABAU 1914
	ADRIATIC 1917–1918
	LIBYA 1941
	EAST INDIES 1942
	MALAYSIA 1964–1966
YARROMA	PACIFIC 1942

SHIP/UNIT	APPROVED BATTLE HONOURS
723 Squadron	VIETNAM 1967–1971
	EAST TIMOR 1999
	KUWAIT 1991
725 Squadron	VIETNAM 1967
805 Squadron	KOREA 1951–1952
808 Squadron	KOREA 1951–1952
816 Squadron	MALAYSIA 1965–1966
	KUWAIT 1991
	EAST TIMOR 1999–2000
	PERSIAN GULF 2001–2003
	IRAQ 2003
817 Squadron	KOREA 1951–1952
	MALAYSIA 1965–1966
	VIETNAM 1967–1968
	EAST TIMOR 1999
	PERSIAN GULF 2001–2003
	IRAQ 2003
CDT1	VIETNAM 1966–1971
	KUWAIT 1991
	EAST TIMOR 1999–2000
	PERSIAN GULF 2002–2003
	IRAQ 2003
CDT2	VIETNAM 1967–1971
	KUWAIT 1991
CDT3	VIETNAM 1967–1971
	KUWAIT 1991
	IRAQ 2003

SHIP/UNIT	APPROVED BATTLE HONOURS
CDT4	KUWAIT 1991
	EAST TIMOR 1999
	PERSIAN GULF 2002–2003
	IRAQ 2003



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It is notified for general information that the Governor-General has approved amendments to certain conditions for the award of the Australian Active Service Medal with Clasp 'SOMALIA' as detailed in the following Instrument of declaration and determination:



COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

DECLARATION AND DETERMINATION UNDER THE
AUSTRALIAN ACTIVE SERVICE MEDAL REGULATIONS

I, **QUENTIN ALICE LOUISE BRYCE**, Governor-General of the Commonwealth of Australia, pursuant to the Australian Active Service Medal Regulations contained in the Schedule to the 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 23 March 2001 under regulation 3 and subregulation 4(2) respectively of the Australian Active Service Medal Regulations contained in the Schedule to Letters Patent dated 13 September 1988 for the Clasp 'SOMALIA';
- (b) **declare**, under regulation 3 of the Regulations, warlike operations in which members of the Australian Defence Force were engaged in the area comprising Somalia with the force known as:
 - (i) the Battalion Group in Operation SOLACE in the period that commenced on 10 January 1993 and ended on 21 May 1993;
 - (ii) the naval component in Operation SOLACE in the period that commenced on 10 January 1993 and ended on 21 May 1993;
 - (iii) the land component of the Second United Nations Operation in Somalia in the period that commenced on 1 May 1993 and ended on 28 March 1995; and
 - (iv) the air component of the Second United Nations Operation in Somalia in the period that commenced on 1 May 1993 and ended on 28 March 1995;

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 Active Service Medal with Clasp 'SOMALIA' ("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*;

- (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;
- (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 member of the Australian Defence Force who rendered service as such a member for official visits, inspections or other occurrences of a temporary nature with the military contribution in the *prescribed operation* for a *prescribed period*;
- (v) the Medal may be awarded to a person who rendered assigned service as part of the Australian element of the *prescribed operation*, and who, completed a *prescribed period* and, 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:
 - (A) "*prescribed period*" for the *prescribed operation* at subparagraphs (b)(i), (b)(ii), (b)(iii) and (b)(iv) means, in relation to subparagraphs (c)(i), (c)(ii) and (c)(v), a period of not less than one day; and in relation to subparagraph (c)(iv) a period of not less than an aggregate of 30 days;
 - (B) "*prescribed number of sorties*" within the duration of the *prescribed operation* at subparagraphs (b)(i), (b)(ii), (b)(iii) and (b)(iv) means, in relation to subparagraphs (c)(iii) and (c)(v), one operational sortie;

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

Dated 16/5 2011

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Governor-General

By Her Excellency's Command

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DAVID FEENEY
Parliamentary Secretary for Defence
For the Minister for Defence



VICE CHIEF OF THE DEFENCE FORCE

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For information:

DGNP (R8-1-016)
DPCSC (CP1-7-033)

OPERATION DAMASK VI – HMAS CANBERRA ALLOTMENT FOR DUTY

1. On 1 Jun 09 the Minister for Veterans' Affairs wrote to the Prime Minister seeking approval to add an additional operational area to Schedule 2 of the *Veterans' Entitlements Act 1986* (VEA 1986). Officials from the Prime Ministers office agreed to this proposal on 15 Jun 09.
2. The amendments to add the AO of Operation DAMASK VI during the period from and including 13 Jan 93 to and including 19 Jan 93 to Schedule 2 to the VEA 1986 were given Royal Assent on 29 Jun 09 and I have subsequently allotted the crew members of HMAS *Canberra*.
3. I request that you now take action to amend the Operational Log within PMKEYS for the Australian Defence Force personnel who rendered service on board HMAS *Canberra* as part of Operation DAMASK VI during the specified period, with qualifying service. Members will not be entitled to benefits under the VEA 1986 until this action has been taken.
4. My point of contact for this matter is DGNOSR, BRIG David Webster, Tel: 6127 0207. I look forward to your support in finalising this important matter.

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D.J. HURLEY
LTGEN
VCDF

R1-5-B025
Tel: (02) 6265 2856

3 Jul 09




Veterans' Entitlements Act 1986
Instrument of Allotment of Persons

1. This instrument is issued by the Defence Force under subsection 5B(2) of the *Veterans' Entitlements Act 1986* ("the Act") for use by the Repatriation Commission in determining a person's eligibility for entitlements under the Act.
2. Pursuant to paragraph 7A(1)(a) (iii) of the Act, the crew of HMAS *Canberra* is allotted for duty in the area of operation for Operation DAMASK VI in the Red Sea for the period 13 – 19 January 1993.

Dated this Third day of July 2009
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DAVID HURLEY, AO, DSC
Lieutenant General
Vice Chief of the Defence Force

	DECISION BRIEF FOR CN	
	APPROVAL OF RAN CAMPAIGN AND BATTLE HONOURS	
	Division / Directorate: DGNCPE / SPC-A	Reference: CN/IN/2014/2717 X CN/IN/2015/163
	Timing: Routine	Action required by: Routine
Copies: DCN, DNCC, DGNCPE, SPC-A		

Recommendations:

That you:

- i. **note** on 30 November 2014 you endorsed proposed changes to the Royal Australian Navy's Campaign Awards and Battle Honours following a review by the Naval History Section, Sea Power Centre - Australia.

NOTED/ PLEASE DISCUSS

- ii. **sign** the attached draft letter to the Minister for Defence, asking that he, through the Prime Minister, seek the approval of His Excellency the Governor-General of Australia for these additional awards.

SIGNED/ NOT SIGNED/ PLEASE DISCUSS

Key Points

1. Established practice in the RAN is for the Chief of Navy to recommend the award of additional Campaign and Battle Honours, through the Minister for Defence and Prime Minister for approval by His Excellency the Governor-General of Australia and subsequent promulgation by Navy.

Resources:

2. Nil.

Consultation:

3. Nil.

Attachments:

- A. Draft MINSUB for CN signature.

Approved by: s22 A R GOUGH CDRE, RAN DGNCPE 30 Jan 15	
Contact Officer: D.J. Perryman SNHO	Phone: 6266 1125

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DCN Comments:

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M J VAN BALEN
RADM, RAN
DCN

3 Feb
Jan 15

CN Comments:

T W BARRETT
VADM, RAN
CN

FEB
Jan 15

Brief signed by
CN 4 Feb 15.



Australian Government
Department of Defence

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Ref: CN/OUT/2015/181

MINISTERIAL ADVICE

Date for action by:	Reason:
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For Action: Minister for Defence

For Info: Assistant Minister

Copies to: Secretary, CDF, FASMECC, VCDF, DCN, DGNCC, DII&A

Approval of Royal Australian Navy Campaign and Battle Honours

Purpose:

To seek the formal approval of additional Royal Australian Navy (RAN) Campaign and Battle Honours from His Excellency the Governor-General of the Commonwealth of Australia.

Key Points:

1. The tradition of awarding Campaign and Battle Honours to units of the RAN originated in the Royal Navy. These honours generally reflect the fighting history of a particular unit and are carried forward to each new ship or unit of the same name.
2. Established practice in the RAN is for the Chief of Navy to recommend the award of additional Campaign and Battle Honours, through the Minister for Defence and Prime Minister, to the Governor-General for approval and subsequent promulgation by Navy.
3. In November 2014, the RAN's History Section completed a review of Campaign and Battle Honours focussing on recent operations and a number of previous campaigns for which no recognition had been afforded.
4. I have carefully reviewed the recommendations made by the RAN History Section and have endorsed the proposed award of additional Campaign and Battle Honours listed at Attachment A.
5. I therefore seek your endorsement of these proposed changes and agreement to progress these through the Prime Minister to the Governor-General for approval. A draft letter to the Prime Minister (including a proposed letter from the Prime Minister to the Governor-General) is at Attachment B.

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Recommendation:


That you:

- i. **Note** the proposal for the award of additional Campaign and Battle Honours to units of the Royal Australian Navy.

Noted / Please Discuss

- ii. **Sign** the attached draft letter to the Prime Minister, asking that he seek the approval of His Excellency the Governor-General of Australia for these additional awards.

Signed / Not Signed

Approved By T W BARRETT VADM, RAN CN 4 Feb 15	s22 
Contact Officer: Mr D.J. Perryman - SNHO	Phone: 02 6266 1125
Kevin Andrews / / Comments / Supplementary tasking:	
For Information Stuart Robert	

Resources:

6. Routine. Minor costs involved in promulgating proposed changes to Campaign and Battle Honours will be absorbed by Navy.

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Consultation:

7. Directorate of Honours and Awards (DHA).

Attachments:

- A. Background information - Award of Campaign and Battle Honours to RAN units.
- B. Draft letter to the Prime Minister (including a copy of the endorsed list and draft letter from the Prime Minister to the Governor-General.)

BACKGROUND INFORMATION – AWARD OF CAMPAIGN AND BATTLE HONOURS TO ROYAL AUSTRALIAN NAVY (RAN) UNITS

RABAUL 1914

1. The capture and occupation of Germany's Pacific colonies was the RAN's first WWI operation. It involved virtually the entire Fleet Unit, various auxiliaries taken up from trade and temporarily commissioned and saw Australia's first combat casualties including the loss of the submarine *AE1*. Since the formal approval of this award in 2010, research reveals that the RAN auxiliary *Esturia* formed part of the naval expeditionary force but was overlooked for recognition during previous reviews. *Esturia* is therefore considered eligible for inclusion on the register of the award - RABAUL 1914

Recommendation: Amendment to the existing campaign award – RABAUL 1914 - to include the RAN auxiliary *Esturia* whose participation in that campaign was not previously recognised.

Endorsed by CN: 30 Nov 2014

CHINA STATION 1915-1917

2. Between 1915 and 1917 the Germans attempted to raise anti-British rebellions in India, Burma, Singapore, the Malay peninsula and British North Borneo (Sarawak) using weapons and ammunition procured by the German ambassador in Washington and carried via neutral shipping through China, the Dutch East Indies (Indonesia) and the Philippines. Unceasing patrol and boarding work undertaken by a deployed RAN flotilla became a vital part of the British counter-operation, owing not only to the relative predominance of Australian warships on the China Station (during some periods over 50% of available forces) but also to the ease and efficiency with which the ships responded to changing requirements. The constant interruption caused to German planning through the capture of their agents, the seizing of their contraband and the interception of their mail ensured that enemy plots remained for the most part incoherent and disorganised. Combined with the regular showing of the white ensign across the length and breadth of the station, RAN activities also did much to demonstrate the empire's continued authority among the indigenous populations.

Recommendation: Institution of a new campaign award styled – CHINA STATION 1915-1917 – to recognise the involvement of HMA Ships and auxiliaries: *Encounter*, *Psyche*, *Fantome*, *Parramatta*, *Warrego*, *Yarra*, *Torrens*, *Huon*, *Swan*, *Una* and *Esturia* in the long running maritime security campaign that stretched from Hong Kong to the Bay of Bengal during World War I.

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6. A number of RAN units served in East Timor (Timor-Leste) post 2000 in support of Operation TANAGER - the provision of Australian forces in support of the United Nations Transitional Administration in East Timor (UNTAET), 20 February 2000 – 19 May 2002. HMA Ships *Benalla*, *Shepparton*, *Paluma* and *Mermaid* conducted survey operations in support of Operation TANAGER during 2001 qualifying for active service as did HMA Ships *Jervis Bay*, *Wewak*, *Balikpapan*, *Betano*, *Brunei*, *Labuan*, and *Tarakan*.

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MIDDLE EAST 2003 - 2014

7. Between 23 July 2003 and 1 July 2014 RAN units participated in post 2003 Iraq War deployments to the Middle East under the auspices of Operation SLIPPER. During that time the RAN operated as part of a broader Allied coalition maintaining maritime security and countering the threat of terrorism throughout the Area of Operations. Service during that period was classified as active service.

Recommendation: Institution of a new campaign award styled – MIDDLE EAST 2003-2014 to recognise active service by those RAN units deployed under the auspices of Operation SLIPPER between 23 July 2003 and 1 July 2014. The following units are considered eligible:

HMA Ships *Newcastle*, *Melbourne*, *Stuart*, *Adelaide*, *Darwin*, *Tobruk*, *Parramatta*, *Ballarat*, *Warramunga*, *Toowoomba*, *Auzac* and *Arunta* and 816 Squadron, 817 Squadron and Clearance Diving Team 1.

Endorsed by CN: 30 Nov 2014



**The Hon Kevin Andrews MP
Minister for Defence**

MA15-000164

The Honourable Tony Abbott MP
Prime Minister
PO Box 6022
House of Representatives
Parliament House
CANBERRA ACT 2600

Dear Prime Minister

The contribution made by the Royal Australian Navy (RAN) during times of conflict is recognised by the award of Campaign and Battle Honours. These honours reflect the fighting history of a particular vessel or unit and are carried forward to each new ship or unit of the same name. They are publicly displayed by ships when visiting ports and promote esprit de corps within the Service.

Following a routine review of Campaign Awards and Battle Honours by the RAN Sea Power Centre, the Chief of Navy has recommended additional awards for the approval of His Excellency the Governor-General of Australia. These are attached.

The approval of these awards would not only address the contribution made by the RAN during recent campaigns and operations, but would also redress a number of omissions made in the past which failed to recognise Australian Naval participation in some of our nation's earliest campaigns.

I add my personal endorsement to the proposed awards.

Should you endorse the recommended additions, I have enclosed a letter seeking the formal approval of these awards by His Excellency, the Governor-General of Australia.

Yours sincerely

KEVIN ANDREWS MP
Encl

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Esturia in the long running maritime security campaign that stretched from Hong Kong to the Bay of Bengal during World War I.

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SOMALIA 1993

3. HMA Ships *Jervis Bay* and *Tobruk* deployed to Somalia in support of ADF/coalition operations (Operation SOLACE) in December 1992 in what was then the largest ADF military sealift operation since the Vietnam War. Both ships arrived in the Area of Operations (AO) in January 1993 with *Tobruk* remaining in the AO for its duration. Embarked in *Tobruk* were a diving/EOD detachment from Clearance Diving Team 1 and a Sea King helicopter flight from 817 Squadron. HMAS *Jervis Bay* later returned to the AO and was involved in the subsequent back-loading operations to Australia.

Recommendation: Institution of a new campaign award styled – SOMALIA 1993 – to recognise active service rendered by HMA Ships *Tobruk* and *Jervis Bay*, Clearance Diving Team 1 and 817 Squadron under the auspices of Operation SOLACE during 1993.

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KUWAIT 1991 - 1993

4. In 1992-1993 HMAS *Canberra* deployed to the Middle East under the auspices of Operation DAMASK VI. One of the duties performed by *Canberra* was that of anti-air warfare commander for the Maritime Interception Force. In execution of that duty *Canberra* was assigned as consort to the destroyer USS *Caron* during the period 13-19 January 1993. Together the two ships operated in close company in the Northern Red Sea at a high state of readiness to launch Tomahawk Land Attack Missiles against military targets in Iraq. During the evening of 17 January 1993 *Caron* was assigned a firing position and strike window and engaged those targets. Throughout the attack phase *Canberra* provided the necessary Anti Air Warfare defence for *Caron* while her S70B-2 helicopter (816 Squadron) provided range clearance throughout the mission.

Recommendation: Amendment to the existing campaign award – KUWAIT - to include the addition of the date '1993' in recognition of active service rendered by HMAS *Canberra* during Operation DAMASK VI when she participated in US led cruise missile strikes against Iraq.

Endorsed by CN: 30 Nov 2014

EAST TIMOR 2000 - 2001

5. The naval contribution to operations in East Timor was not only one of the most extensive and complex operations undertaken by the RAN in its recent history but also one of the more public. The naval presence ensured that INTERFET was able to undertake its tasks ashore and as a result of the scope, high public profile and nature of that operation a campaign award styled EAST TIMOR 1999-2000 was instituted in 2010.

6. A number of RAN units served in East Timor (Timor-Leste) post 2000 in support of Operation TANAGER - the provision of Australian forces in support of the United Nations Transitional Administration in East Timor (UNTAET), 20 February 2000 – 19 May 2002. HMA Ships *Benalla*, *Shepparton*, *Paluma* and *Mermaid* conducted survey operations in support of Operation TANAGER during 2001 qualifying for active service as did HMA Ships *Jervis Bay*, *Wewak*, *Balikpapan*, *Betano*, *Brunei*, *Labuan*, and *Tarakan*.

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MIDDLE EAST 2003 - 2014

7. Between 23 July 2003 and 1 July 2014 RAN units participated in post 2003 Iraq War deployments to the Middle East under the auspices of Operation SLIPPER. During that time the RAN operated as part of a broader Allied coalition maintaining maritime security and countering the threat of terrorism throughout the Area of Operations. Service during that period was classified as active service.

Recommendation: Institution of a new campaign award styled – MIDDLE EAST 2003–2014 to recognise active service by those RAN units deployed under the auspices of Operation SLIPPER between 23 July 2003 and 1 July 2014. The following units are considered eligible:

HMA Ships *Newcastle, Melbourne, Stuart, Adelaide, Darwin, Tobruk, Parramatta, Ballarat, Warramunga, Toowoomba, Anzac* and *Arunta* and 816 Squadron, 817 Squadron and Clearance Diving Team 1.

Endorsed by CN: 30 Nov 2014

His Excellency General the Honourable Sir Peter Cosgrove AK MC (Retd)
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Your Excellency

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MINISTERIAL ADVICE

Date for action by:
29 June 2015

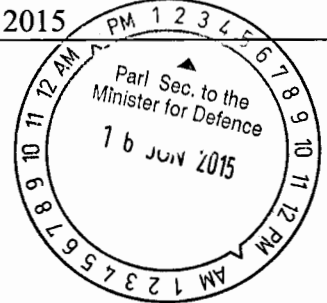
Reason:

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Approval of Royal Australian Navy Campaign and Battle Honours

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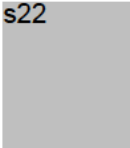
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Noted / Please Discuss

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Signed / Not Signed

<p>Approved By</p> <p>MJ van Balen RADM, RAN DCN 4 June 2015 Phone: 02 6265 5158</p>	<p>s22</p> 
<p>Contact Officer: Mr D.J. Perryman - SNHO</p>	<p>Phone: 02 6266 1125</p>
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25 JUN 2015

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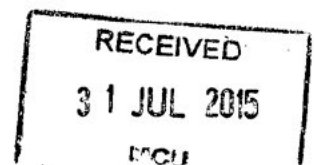
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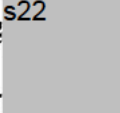
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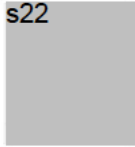
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