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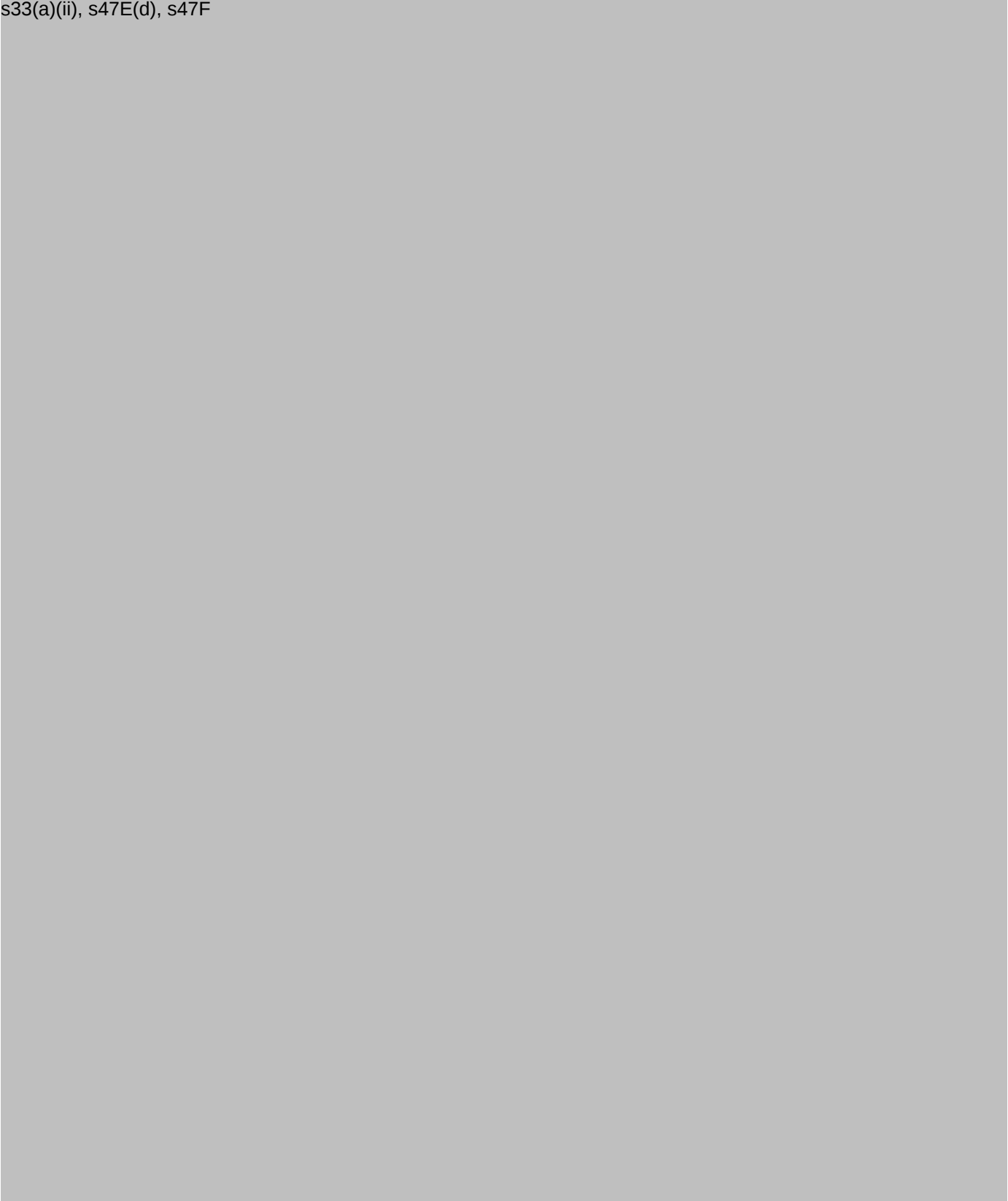
Wing Commander Duffy was instrumental in setting the foundations for the arrival of the Ready Combat Team in Kabul. He coordinated the airlift operations from Hamid Karzai International Airport, enabling the largest Australian airlift operation in recent history to evacuate over 4100 approved nationals from Kabul. On 24 Aug 21, he demonstrated outstanding leadership, innovation, and impeccable judgement in the conduct of a special bus convoy mission through Kabul which rescued 86 Australian passport and visa holders, leading to their safe evacuation to Australia.

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For distinguished service on warlike operations as a member of the Special Operations Planning Team during the evacuation of Australian Nationals and Approved Foreign Nationals, from Hamid Karzai International Airport, Kabul over the period 17-25 August 2021.

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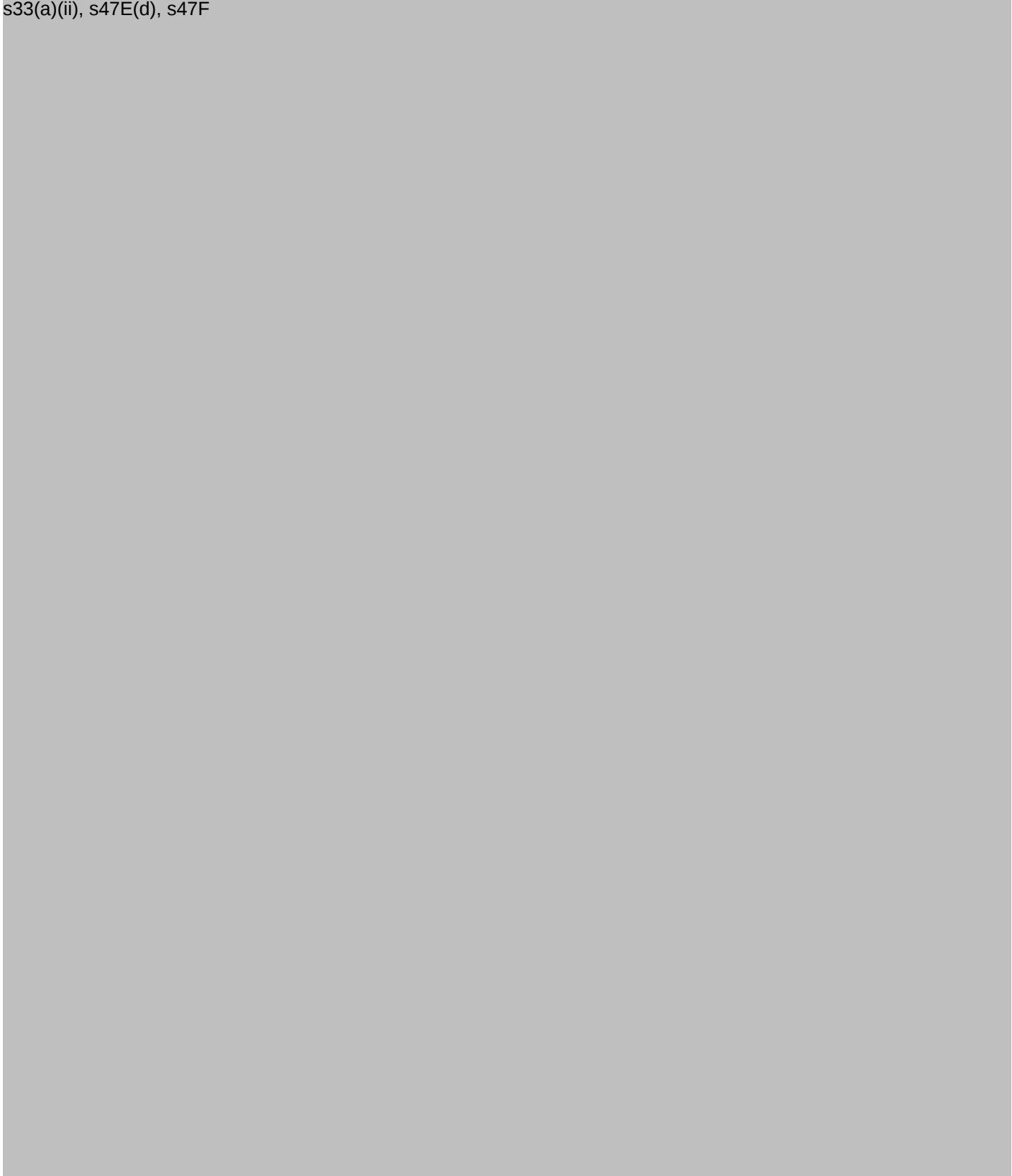
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For distinguished leadership in warlike operations as the Commanding Officer of the deployed Ready Battle Group during the Afghanistan Non-Combatant Evacuation Operation in August 2021.

Lieutenant Colonel Holmes expertly led the Ready Battle Group during the conduct of Non-Combatant Evacuation Operations at Hamid Karzai International Airport in Kabul Afghanistan. His personal example, steadfast approach, and composure under pressure supported the evacuation of over 4,100 Australian citizens and approved foreign nationals from Kabul during the final days of the Australian mission in Afghanistan and their travel to Australia. His efforts were critical to the success of the largest Australian Whole of Government protected evacuation operation in recent history.

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s22 [REDACTED] **CAPTAIN J** s47F [REDACTED]

For distinguished leadership in warlike operations as the commander of the Special Operations Planning Team during the evacuation of designated personnel, including Australian Nationals and Approved Foreign Nationals, from Hamid Karzai International Airport, Kabul Afghanistan over the period 17-25 August 2021.

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