

COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

AUSTRALIAN SERVICE MEDAL REGULATIONS

DECLARATION UNDER REGULATION 3

DETERMINATION UNDER SUBREGULATION 4(2)

I, **WILLIAM PATRICK DEANE**, Governor-General of the Commonwealth of Australia, acting under the Australian Service Medal Regulations set out in the Schedule to Letters Patent dated 13 September 1988, ("the Regulations"), and on the recommendation of the Minister for Defence Industry, Science and Personnel, **hereby**:

- (a) **revoke** the Declaration and Determination made on 10 September 1991 under Regulation 3 and Subregulation 4(2) respectively of the Regulations;
- (b) **declare** under regulation 3 of the Regulations, the following activities 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; and
 - (iii) the multinational military deployment in the Middle East that commenced on 15 February 1998;
- (c) **determine**, under Subregulation 4(2) of the Regulations, that the conditions for award of the Australian Service Medal with Clasp 'IRAQ' for that prescribed operation are:
 - (i) the Medal may be awarded to a member of the Australian Defence Force who rendered service as such a member while posted to or serving as a member of the Australian element of the prescribed operation for a prescribed period;

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- (ii) the Medal may be awarded to a member of the Australian Defence Force who rendered 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 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 renders service as part of the Australian element of the prescribed operation for 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 with clasp 'IRAQ';
- (v) the qualifying period of service as described in subparagraphs (b)(i), (b)(ii), (b)(iii) or (b)(iv) may be deemed by the Chief of the Defence Force or a delegate of the Chief of the Defence Force to have been established notwithstanding that the member has not met the qualifying periods described; and
- (vi) the Chief of the Defence Force or a delegate of the Chief of the Defence Force in exercising the discretion to deem under subparagraph (b)(v) shall take into account whether service in relation to the prescribed operation:
 - (A) was terminated owing to the death, evacuation due to illness or injury or other disability due to service, of a member as described above;
 - (B) was terminated due to Government or Defence Force reasons; or
 - (C) was terminated due to foreign Government or foreign Defence Force reasons.

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

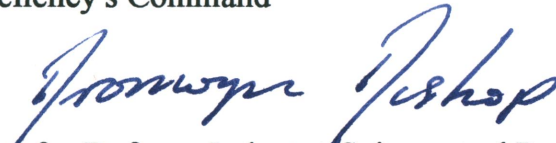
- (A) in relation to the activity described at subparagraph (b)(i), a period of not less than an aggregate of 30 days; and
- (B) in relation to the activities described at subparagraphs (b)(ii) and (b)(iii), a period of not less than an aggregate of seven days.

Dated 20th June 1998



Governor-General

By His Excellency's Command



Minister for Defence Industry, Science and Personnel