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COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

ELIZABETH THE SECOND, by the Grace of God Queen of Australia and Her other Realms and Territories, Head of the Commonwealth:

TO ALL to whom these Presents shall come,

GREETING:

WHEREAS by Letters Patent dated 20 April 1982 given under the Great Seal of Australia, We instituted three Australian medals, designated and styled the Defence Force Service Medal, the Reserve Force Decoration and the Reserve Force Medal for the purpose of according recognition to persons who render long and efficient service in association with the Defence Force:

AND WHEREAS the Letters Patent ordained that the award of medals so instituted be governed by the Defence Force Service Awards Regulations set out in the Schedule to the Letters Patent:

AND WHEREAS it is desirable that certain amendments of the Regulations be made:

KNOW YOU that We do, by these Presents, declare Our pleasure that the Letters Patent dated 20 April 1982, as amended by Letters Patent dated 26 May 1998, be further amended, but without prejudice to anything lawfully done thereunder, as set out in the Schedule, with effect from 26 May 1998.

IN WITNESS whereof We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent.

GIVEN under the Great Seal of Australia at Our Court at St James's on

3 March 2000

By Her Majesty's Command,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading 'John Howard'. The signature is written over a faint, circular watermark of the Australian coat of arms. Below the signature, the words 'Prime Minister' are printed in a serif font.

Prime Minister