Humanitarian Overseas Service Medal (South Sudan) Declaration 2000

I, WILLIAM PATRICK DEANE, Governor-General of the Commonwealth of Australia, acting on the recommendation of the Parliamentary Secretary to Cabinet, make this Declaration under subregulation 3(1) of the Humanitarian Overseas Service Medal Regulations.

Dated 22 January 2000.

By His Excellency's Command,

BILL HEFFERNAN
Parliamentary Secretary to Cabinet
1 Name of Declaration

This Declaration is the *Humanitarian Overseas Service Medal (South Sudan) Declaration 2000*.

2 Definitions

(1) In this Declaration:

*declared operation* means the operation declared under section 3.

*Humanitarian Overseas Service Medal Regulations* means the Regulations set out in Schedule 1 to the Letters Patent dated 16 April 1999 given under the Great Seal of Australia, being the Regulations as amended from time to time.

*Regulations* means the *Humanitarian Overseas Service Medal Regulations*.

*specified hazardous area* means the hazardous area specified in section 5.

*specified organisation* means an organisation specified in Schedule 1.

(2) Unless the contrary intention appears, a word that is used in this Declaration and in the Regulations has the same meaning in this Declaration as it has in the Regulations.
3 Declaration
The humanitarian aid operation arising out of the civil war in southern Sudan, being an operation that satisfies the conditions mentioned in paragraphs 3 (1) (a) and (b) of the Regulations, is a declared operation.

4 Name of operation
For the purposes of the Regulations, the name by which the declared operation is to be known is ‘South Sudan’.

5 Geographical extent of hazardous area
The geographical extent of the hazardous area of the declared operation is:
(a) South Sudan, comprising the regions of Southern Darfur, Bahr Ghazal, Bahr Al Ghazal, El Buheyrat, Western Equatoria, Eastern Equatoria, Jonglei, Sobat, Southern Kordofan, White Nile and Blue Nile, in which a specialised organisation is, or was, carrying on humanitarian service in relation to the declared operation; and
(b) areas in adjoining countries in which a specified organisation is, or was, carrying on humanitarian service in relation to the declared operation.

6 Period when declared operation commenced
The date when the declared operation commenced is 23 May 1992.

7 Eligible service with specified organisations
The organisations service with which is eligible service are the organisations specified in Schedule 1.

8 Period of participation by specified organisations
The period within which each specified organisation participated in the declared operation is as specified in Schedule 1 in relation to the organisation.

9 Qualifying period of service
(1) The qualifying period of humanitarian service required to be given by a member of a specified organisation to be eligible for an award of the Medal is 30 days.

(2) The qualifying period of humanitarian service may be aggregated from several periods of service with 1 or more of the specified organisations.
(3) If a person gave humanitarian service as a member of 2 or more specified organisations, and a day of the service could be counted as a day of humanitarian service for more than 1 organisation, the day must be counted as 1 day of humanitarian service.

10 **When inspection visits count as humanitarian service**

(1) A person’s inspection visit is counted as humanitarian service if the person made the visit:
   (a) as a member of a specified organisation; and
   (b) within the period specified in Schedule 1 in relation to the specified organisation.

(2) If the person made the inspection visit as a member of 2 or more specified organisations, and a day of the visit could be counted as a day of humanitarian service for more than 1 of the organisations, the day must be counted as 1 day of humanitarian service.

11 **Ineligibility for an award of the Medal**

A person is not eligible for an award of the Medal if:
   (a) the person (whether in the specified hazardous area as a refugee or resident) is a locally-engaged member of the staff of a specified organisation; or
   (b) the person is, or is an employee of, a commercial contractor to a specified organisation.
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