

# Humanitarian Overseas Service Medal (2004 Indian Ocean Tsunami and Other Natural Disasters Relief) (Pakistan) Declaration 2008

Humanitarian Overseas Service Medal (2004 Indian Ocean Tsunami and Other Natural Disasters Relief) Regulations 2005

I, PHILIP MICHAEL JEFFERY, Governor-General of the Commonwealth of Australia, acting on the recommendation of the Cabinet Secretary, make this Declaration under subregulation 3 (3) of the *Humanitarian Overseas Service Medal* (2004 Indian Ocean Tsunami and Other Natural Disasters Relief) Regulations 2005.

Dated 22 May 2008

Governor-General

By His Excellency's Command

JOHN FAULKNER Cabinet Secretary

### 1 Name of Declaration

This Declaration is the *Humanitarian Overseas Service Medal (2004 Indian Ocean Tsunami and Other Natural Disasters Relief) (Pakistan) Declaration 2008.* 

#### 2 Definitions

In this Declaration:

affected area means the area specified in section 5.

declared operation means the operation declared by section 3.

eligible organisation means an organisation specified in Schedule 1.

Regulations means the Humanitarian Overseas Service Medal (2004 Indian Ocean Tsunami and Other Natural Disasters Relief) Regulations 2005 set out in Schedule 1 to the Letters Patent dated 8 April 2005, given under the Great Seal of Australia, as amended from time to time.

#### 3 Declaration

The humanitarian aid operation arising out of the earthquake in Pakistan on 8 October 2005, being an operation that satisfies the conditions mentioned in subregulation 3 (3) of the Regulations, is a declared operation.

# 4 Name of operation

For paragraph 3 (4) (a) of the Regulations, the name by which the declared operation is to be known is 'Pakistan'.

# 5 Geographical extent of affected area

For paragraph 3 (4) (b) of the Regulations, the geographical extent of the affected area of Pakistan coincides with:

- (a) the following administrative districts of Pakistan-administered Kashmir (AJK):
  - (i) Bagh;
  - (ii) Muzzaffarabad;
  - (iii) Neelum;
  - (iv) Poonch; and
- (b) the following administrative districts of North West Frontier Province (NWFP):
  - (i) Abbottabad;
  - (ii) Batagram;
  - (iii) Kohistan;
  - (iv) Mansehra;
  - (v) Shangla.

# 6 Dates during which declared operation occurred

For paragraph 3 (4) (c) of the Regulations, the declared operation commenced on 8 October 2005 and ended on 31 May 2006.

# 7 Specification of eligible organisations

For paragraph 3 (4) (d) of the Regulations, organisations that are eligible organisations for the declared operation are specified in Schedule 1.

#### 8 Period of participation of eligible organisations

For paragraph 3 (4) (e) of the Regulations, the period of participation in the declared operation is that specified in Schedule 1 in relation to each eligible organisation.

# 9 Qualifying period of service

- (1) For paragraphs 3 (4) (f) and 4 (1) (d) of the Regulations, the qualifying period of service is:
  - (a) at least 14 days in the period commencing on 8 October 2005 and ending on 8 November 2005; or
  - (b) at least 30 days in the period commencing on 8 October 2005 and ending on 31 May 2006.
- (2) The qualifying period of service may be aggregated from several periods of service with 1 or more of the eligible organisations.
- (3) If a person gave service as a member of 2 or more eligible organisations, and a day of the service could be counted as a day of service for more than 1 organisation, the day must be counted as 1 day of service.

#### 10 When inspection visits count as service

- (1) For paragraph 3 (4) (g) of the Regulations, a person's inspection visit is counted as service if the person made the visit within the period specified in Schedule 1 in relation to that eligible organisation.
- (2) Despite subsection 9 (1), the qualifying period of service for an inspection visit or visits counted in accordance with subsection 10 (1) is 30 days.

### 11 Ineligibility for an award of the Medal

Eligible service does not include service of the following kinds:

- (a) service as a locally-engaged member of the staff of an eligible organisation (whether the person is in the affected area as a refugee or a resident):
- (b) service as a commercial contractor, or an employee of a commercial contractor, to an eligible organisation.

# Schedule 1 Eligible organisations

(sections 2, 7 and 8)

Item	Eligible organisation	Period of participation
1	Australian Agency for International Development (AusAID)	16 October 2005 to 3 November 2005
2	Australian Defence Force	9 November 2005 to 8 April 2006
3	Australian contingent to the International Committee of the Red Cross	14 October 2005 to 31 May 2006
4	Australian contingent to the International Federation of the Red Cross	14 October 2005 to 31 May 2006
5	Australian contingent to Oxfam Great Britain	10 October 2005 to 15 January 2006
6	Australian contingent to United Nations organisations	8 October 2005 to 31 May 2006
7	Australian contingent to World Vision International	8 October 2005 to 31 December 2005



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It is notified for general information that the Governor-General has approved certain conditions for the award of the Humanitarian Overseas Service Medal with Clasp 'PAKISTAN, as detailed in the following Declaration: