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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 passed under the Great Seal of Australia, bearing date at St. James's the fourteenth day of February 1975, We did institute an Australian medal, to be designated and styled the National Medal, for the purpose of according recognition to persons who render long service in certain occupations:

AND WHEREAS the persons to whom the National Medal may be awarded include members of the Defence Force:

AND WHEREAS, by reason of Our having instituted certain Australian medals for the purpose of according recognition to persons who render long and efficient service as members of the Defence Force and for other reasons, We are minded to make certain changes to the conditions for the award of the National Medal:

KNOW YOU that We, by these Presents, declare Our pleasure that the above-mentioned Letters Patent of the fourteenth day of February 1975 be amended, but without prejudice to anything lawfully done thereunder, as set out in the Schedule:

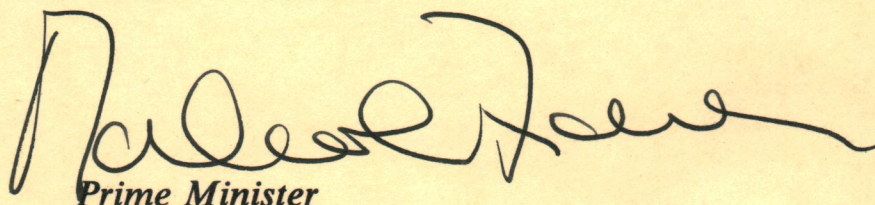
AND WE DO ordain that, notwithstanding anything contained in the Schedule, the National Medal or a clasp to the National Medal may be awarded, in accordance with the Regulations Governing the Award of the National Medal as in force immediately before the date of these Our Letters Patent, to a person who, before that date, had completed the service requisite for the award of the National Medal or a clasp to the National Medal, as the case may be:

AND WE DO further ordain that service as a member of the Defence Force rendered before the date of these Our Letters Patent may be taken into account for the purpose of the award of the National Medal or a clasp to the National Medal as if these Our Letters Patent had not been issued.

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 the twentieth day of April 1982.

By Her Majesty's Command,

  
Prime Minister

