



Elizabeth II

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 14 February 1975 given under the Great Seal of Australia We instituted an Australian Medal, designated and styled the National Medal, for the purpose of according recognition to persons who render long service in certain occupations:

AND WHEREAS the Letters Patent ordained that the award of the National Medal be governed by the Regulations Governing the Award of the National Medal set out in the Schedule to the Letters Patent:

AND WHEREAS the Letters Patent have been amended by Letters Patent dated 20 April 1982, Letters Patent dated 1 April 1986, Letters Patent dated 30 April 1987 and Letters Patent dated 27 August 1994:

AND WHEREAS it is desirable to make new regulations to govern the award of the National Medal:

KNOW YOU that We do, by these Presents, declare Our pleasure that the Letters Patent dated 14 February 1975 are further amended to the extent that:

- (a) the Regulations Governing the Award of the National Medal, as amended, are revoked, without prejudice to anything lawfully done thereunder; and

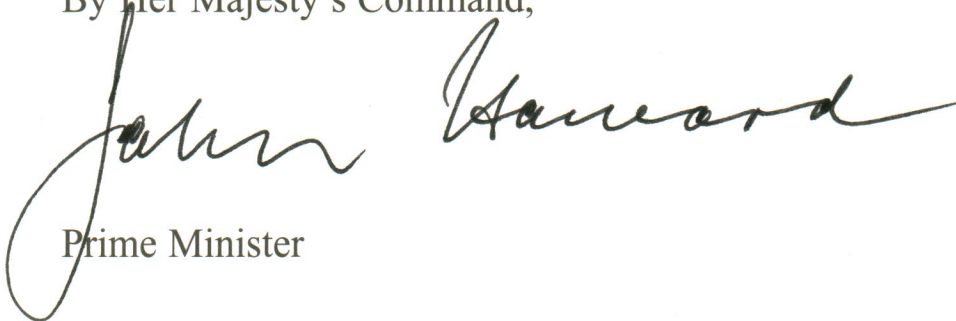
- (b) the award of the National Medal, or a clasp to the National Medal, is governed by the National Medal Regulations set out in the Schedule.

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

18 June 1999

By Her Majesty's Command,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John Howard". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "J".

Prime Minister