Schedule—Amendments

Australian Police Medal Regulations

1 Subregulation 4(2)

Repeal the subregulation, substitute:

- (2) The Governor-General may determine, in writing, on the recommendation of the Prime Minister, the number of awards of the Medal for each of the following:
 - (a) the Commonwealth in a calendar year;
 - (b) a State in a calendar year;
 - (c) the Australian Capital Territory in a calendar year;
 - (d) the Northern Territory in a calendar year.
- (3) The Prime Minister must not make a recommendation under subregulation (2) in relation to the number of awards of the Medal for the Commonwealth, a State or a Territory for a calendar year unless the number is broadly proportionate to the Commonwealth, State or Territory's share of the total number of members of each of the Australian police forces.
- (4) The number of awards of the Medal under this regulation for the Commonwealth, a State or a Territory for a calendar year must not exceed the number specified in, or worked out in accordance with, a determination under subregulation (2) in relation to the Commonwealth, State or Territory for that year.

2 After regulation 4

Insert:

4A Conditions for additional award of the Medal—COVID-19 pandemic

- (1) The Medal may be awarded for service in relation to the COVID-19 pandemic to a person eligible for the award of the Medal under regulation 4.
- (2) An award of the Medal in accordance with this regulation may only be made in the 5-year period commencing on 25 January 2020 or, if the Governor-General determines a further period, such further period.
- (3) The Governor-General may, on the recommendation of the Prime Minister, determine a further period, not exceeding 3 years, for the purposes of subregulation (2).
- (4) The Governor-General may, under subregulation (3), determine a further period more than once. However, each period of extension must not exceed 3 years.
- (5) To avoid doubt, an award of the Medal in accordance with this regulation does not count towards a limit in subregulation 4(4).