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CANBERRA ACT 2600

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It is notified for general information that the Governor-General has approved the following award.

## **DISTINGUISHED SERVICE MEDAL (DSM)**

*Australian Army*

**Lieutenant Colonel Gregory Vivian GILBERT (Retd)**, Pullenvale Qld 4069

For distinguished leadership in warlike operations as Forward Observer, 12<sup>th</sup> Field Regiment attached to Delta Company, 4<sup>th</sup> Battalion, the Royal Australian Regiment, in Vietnam, on 21 September 1971.

**By His Excellency's command**

**Mark Fraser LVO OAM**  
Official Secretary to the Governor-General

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During operations conducted in the north of Phuoc Tuy province, South Vietnam, Captain Gilbert skilfully directed artillery fire enabling Delta Company to successfully extricate itself from a strongly defended enemy bunker system. During the withdrawal the Company was continually attacked by a motivated and aggressive enemy who were unable to gain any advantage due to the accurate artillery fire brought down by Captain Gilbert. For almost fourteen hours Captain Gilbert brought accurate and concentrated fire on the enemy, enabling the Company to withdraw to and hold a secure position until relieved.