

## **MEMBER (AM) IN THE MILITARY DIVISION OF THE ORDER OF AUSTRALIA**

### **AUSTRALIAN ARMY**

#### **Colonel David Peter COGHLAN, USA**

For exceptional performance of duties as the Deputy Commander, Joint Task Force 633 in Afghanistan and Chief Plans Officer at Headquarters Joint Operations Command.

Colonel Coghlan has demonstrated exceptional performance in difficult circumstances ranging from planning complex military operations involving multiple intra-government agencies and international partners to executing military operations in the demanding operational environment of Afghanistan. His exemplary dedication to duty has facilitated the successful deployment and employment of Australian forces around the globe, directly contributing to the Australian Defence Force's national and international reputation.

#### **Colonel Mark Graham FRENDIN, Qld**

For exceptional service as Commanding Officer of The Pilbara Regiment and in senior staff appointments at Land Headquarters and Headquarters Joint Task Force 633.

Colonel Frendin has demonstrated exceptional leadership, professionalism and commitment in senior appointments. As Commanding Officer of The Pilbara Regiment he significantly improved the unit's surveillance effort. His planning for *Operation ANODE* in 2003 has been of enduring benefit and he was instrumental in transition planning for *Operation CATALYST*. He has also led Land Command's contribution to planning for the Hardened Networked Army and the Enhanced Land Force initiatives.

#### **Lieutenant Colonel Michael Barry RYAN, ACT**

For exceptional performance of duties as Commanding Officer of the 1st Reconstruction Task Force deployed to Uruzgan Province, Afghanistan as part of *Operation SLIPPER*.

Lieutenant Colonel Ryan is a highly capable officer who consistently achieved superior outcomes prior to and during his deployment. He was instrumental in the introduction of the reconstruction task force concept into Afghanistan. His strong leadership, attention to detail in planning and execution, and his commitment are reflected in the successes of the 1st Reconstruction Task Force. His subordinates were enabled to excel and develop the confidence to persevere in a difficult and dangerous operational environment.

#### **Colonel Simone Louise WILKIE, ACT**

For exceptional performance of duty in command appointments within Training Command - Army.

Colonel Wilkie has demonstrated exceptional performance of duty during successive command appointments within Training Command - Army. She demonstrated outstanding leadership by improving instructor performance as the Commanding Officer of the Royal Military College - Duntroon. She displayed exceptional initiative by significantly improving the standard of soldier training as the Commandant of the Army Recruit Training Centre. Her performance has been of the highest order and in the finest traditions of the Australian Army.

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### ***ROYAL AUSTRALIAN AIR FORCE***

#### **Air Vice-Marshal John Paul HARVEY, ACT**

For exceptional service to the Australian Defence Force and Royal Australian Air Force as the Program Manager, New Air Combat Capability.

Air Vice-Marshal Harvey's leadership, intellectual contribution and professionalism have been instrumental in ensuring the achievement of the best possible capability outcomes for Australia and the Royal Australian Air Force. His vision and passion in progressing the way ahead for Australia's new air combat capability has been exceptional; requiring a superior level of professional knowledge, an intimate understanding of the requirements of Government, Air Force and Defence industry, and a commitment to excellence that has been unparalleled. Air Vice-Marshal Harvey's performance and dedication should benefit the Australian Defence Force and Royal Australian Air Force for many years to come.

#### **Air Commodore David Ernest TINDAL, Vic**

For exceptional service to the Australian Defence Force and Royal Australian Air Force as Director General, Technical Airworthiness.

Air Commodore Tindal's technical skill, experience, leadership and intellect have been highlighted in his performance in the most senior aerospace engineering appointment in the Australian Defence Force. He has led a highly qualified specialist team in further developing and enhancing the stringent and rigorous framework which envelops aircraft performance and safety and has exceeded the expectations within Australia and overseas. Air Commodore Tindal's performance and dedication should benefit the Australian Defence Force and Royal Australian Air Force for many years to come.