



**Government House
Canberra ACT 2600**

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It is notified for general information that the Governor-General has approved certain conditions for the award of the Australian Service Medal with Clasp 'SOUTH SUDAN' as detailed in the following Instrument of declaration and determination:



COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

DECLARATION AND DETERMINATION UNDER THE AUSTRALIAN SERVICE MEDAL REGULATIONS

I, **QUENTIN ALICE LOUISE BRYCE**, Governor-General of the Commonwealth of Australia, pursuant to the Australian Service Medal Regulations contained in the Schedule to Letters Patent dated 13 September 1988, (“the Regulations”) on the recommendation of the Parliamentary Secretary for Defence, **hereby**:

- (a) **declare**, under regulation 3 of the Regulations, the following non-warlike operation in which members of the Australian Defence Force are or were engaged, to be a *prescribed operation* for the purposes of the Regulations:
 - (i) Operation ‘Aslan’ – the Australian Defence Force contribution to the United Nations Mission in the Republic of South Sudan (UNMISS) that commenced on 23 September 2011 in the area comprising the Republic of South Sudan and its superjacent airspace; and

- (b) **determine**, under regulation 4 of the Regulations, that the conditions for award of the Australian Service Medal with Clasp ‘SOUTH SUDAN’ (“the Medal”) for that *prescribed operation* are that:
 - (i) the Medal may be awarded to a member of the Australian Defence Force who rendered assigned service as such a member of the Australian element for duty to the *prescribed operation* for a *period of not less than an aggregate of 30 days*;
 - (ii) the Medal may be awarded to a member of the Australian Defence Force who rendered assigned service as such a member for a *period of not less than an aggregate of 30 days*, as part of the contribution of a foreign Defence Force on an approved third country deployment to the *prescribed operation* while on secondment or exchange with the foreign Defence Force;
 - (iii) the Medal may be awarded to a member of the Australian Defence Force who rendered assigned service as such a member of the Australian element for duty to the *prescribed operation* and who *completed 30 sorties from a unit force assigned to the prescribed operation, provided that those sorties were conducted over a period of not less than an aggregate of 30 days at a rate of one sortie per day within the duration the prescribed operation*;

- (iv) the Medal may be awarded to a person who rendered assigned service as part of the Australian element of the *prescribed operation*, and who, in accordance with a determination made by the Minister under paragraph 4(4)(b) of the Regulations, is in a class of persons who may be awarded the Medal; and who rendered service as such a member for a *period of not less than an aggregate of 30 days, or who completed 30 sorties from a unit force assigned to the prescribed operation, provided that those sorties were conducted over a period of not less than an aggregate of 30 days at a rate of one sortie per day within the duration the prescribed operation*;

PROVIDED THAT where a member does not complete the *prescribed period or prescribed number of sorties* for the award of the Medal required by subparagraphs b(i), b(ii), b(iii), or b(iv) owing to his or her death, evacuation due to illness, injury or other disability due to service, the member will be deemed to have completed that *prescribed period or prescribed number of sorties*.

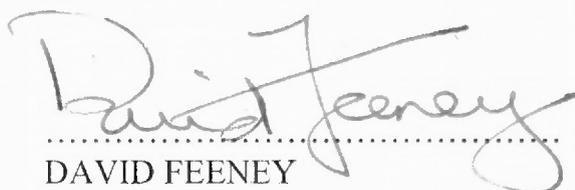
- (c) **determine**, for the purposes of this determination, that where an entitlement exists to the Australian Service Medal (ASM) with Clasp 'SUDAN', a person is not eligible for an award of the Medal where the entitlement to the Medal arises from the same rotation deployment as gave rise to the entitlement for the ASM with Clasp 'SUDAN', and includes the same posting or period of service with the prescribed operation.

Dated

4/12. 2012


Governor-General

By Her Excellency's Command



DAVID FEENEY
Parliamentary Secretary for Defence
For the Minister for Defence