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## HUMANITARIAN OVERSEAS SERVICE MEDAL (UKRAINE) DECLARATION 2015

It is notified for general information that the Governor-General of the Commonwealth of Australia has approved certain conditions for the award of the Humanitarian Overseas Service Medal with Clasp 'UKRAINE' in the (Ukraine) Declaration 2015.

A copy of this Declaration is available on the Governor-General's website: [www.gg.gov.au](http://www.gg.gov.au)

By His Excellency's Command

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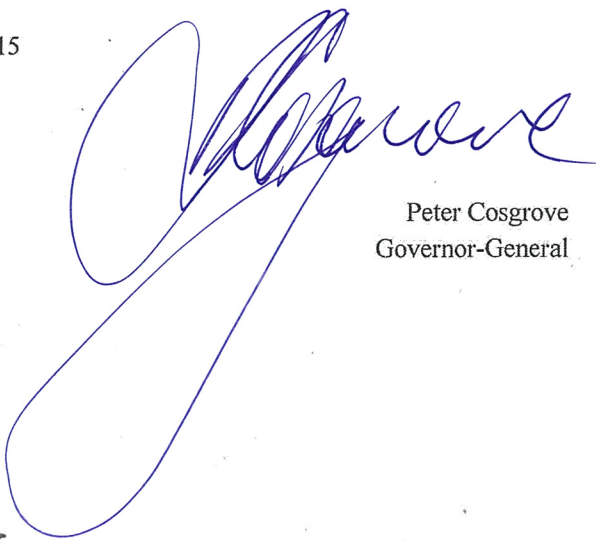
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Official Secretary to the Governor-General




## Humanitarian Overseas Service Medal (Ukraine) Declaration 2015

I, General the Honourable Sir Peter Cosgrove AK MC (Ret'd), Governor-General of the Commonwealth of Australia, acting with the advice of the Federal Executive Council, make the following declaration.

Dated *9th June* 2015

  
Peter Cosgrove  
Governor-General

By His Excellency's Command

  
Christian Porter  
Parliamentary Secretary to the Prime Minister

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**1 Name**

This is the *Humanitarian Overseas Service Medal (Ukraine) Declaration 2015*.

**2 Commencement**

- (1) Each provision of this instrument specified in column 1 of the table commences, or is taken to have commenced, in accordance with column 2 of the table. Any other statement in column 2 has effect according to its terms.

Commencement information		
Column 1	Column 2	Column 3
Provisions	Commencement	Date/Details
1. The whole of this instrument	The day this instrument is made.	

Note: This table relates only to the provisions of this instrument as originally made. It will not be amended to deal with any later amendments of this instrument.

- (2) Any information in column 3 of the table is not part of this instrument. Information may be inserted in this column, or information in it may be edited, in any published version of this instrument.

**3 Authority**

This instrument is made under regulations 3, 4 and 5 of the *Humanitarian Overseas Service Medal Regulations 2011*, being the Regulations set out in the Schedule to the Letters Patent dated 23 October 2011, as amended by Letters Patent dated 18 January 2013 and 30 March 2015.

**4 Definitions**

In this instrument:

*declared operation* means the operation referred to in section 5.

*Regulations* means the *Humanitarian Overseas Service Medal Regulations 2011* set out in the Schedule to the Letters Patent dated 23 October 2011, as amended by Letters Patent dated 18 January 2013 and 30 March 2015.

**5 Declared operation**

For subregulations 3(1) and (6) of the Regulations, the ongoing humanitarian operation that commenced on 17 July 2014 arising out of the response to recover or identify deceased victims of the flight MH17 disaster in Ukraine is a declared operation.

**6 Name of operation**

For paragraph 4(1)(a) of the Regulations, the name by which the declared operation is to be known is "Ukraine".

## Section 7

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### 7 Operational area

For paragraph 4(1)(b) of the Regulations, the operational area of the declared operation consists of the following zones:

- (a) Zone 1, being the site of the flight MH17 crash, Luhansk, Donetsk and Soledar, in Ukraine;
- (b) Zone 2, being Eastern Ukraine including Dnipropetrovsk, and the Kharkiv region;
- (c) Zone 3, being Hilversum in the Netherlands.

### 8 Commencement of declared operation

For subparagraph 4(1)(c)(ii) of the Regulations, the date when the declared operation commenced is 17 July 2014.

### 9 Organisations and commencement of participation

- (1) For subregulation 5(1) of the Regulations, the following organisations are specified:
  - (a) the Australian Federal Police;
  - (b) the Australian Defence Force;
  - (c) the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade.
- (2) For subparagraph 5(5)(a)(ii) of the Regulations, the date when each organisation specified in subsection (1) commenced participation in the declared operation is 17 July 2014.

### 10 Qualifying period of service

- (1) For paragraph 5(5)(b) of the Regulations, each of the following periods is a qualifying period of service:
  - (a) an aggregated period of 7 days service in Zone 1 or Zone 2, which must include a period of service in Zone 1;
  - (b) an aggregated period of at least 14 days service in Zone 2;
  - (c) an aggregated period of at least 14 days service in Zone 3.
- (2) A reference to a Zone by number in subsection (1) is a reference to the Zone so numbered referred to in section 7.