

altering, abrogating, augmenting, interpreting or dispensing with these regulations, or any part thereof, by a notification under Our Sign Manual.

Given at Our Court at *St. James's*, this *fifth* day of *February*, in the 21st year of Our Reign, and in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and thirty-one.

By His Majesty's Command,  
*T. Shaw.*

## ROYAL WARRANT.

### THE MILITARY MEDAL.

#### GEORGE R.I.

GEORGE THE FIFTH, by the Grace of God, of Great Britain, Ireland and the British Dominions beyond the Seas, King, Defender of the Faith, Emperor of India, to all to whom these Presents shall come,

#### GREETING!

Whereas We did by a Warrant under Our Sign Manual dated the 25th day of March, 1916, institute and create a silver medal entitled "The Military Medal" to be awarded to non-commissioned officers and men for bravery in the Field, and did make, ordain and establish certain rules and ordinances for the governance of the same, which rules and ordinances were subsequently amended by Warrants dated the 21st day of June, 1916, the 1st day of August, 1918, and the 24th day of March, 1919:

And whereas the said Warrants were consolidated and varied by a Warrant under Our Sign Manual dated the 30th day of October, 1920:

And whereas We deem it expedient that Our said Warrant should be amended:

Now therefore We do hereby declare that the rules and ordinances contained in Our said Warrant dated the 30th day of October, 1920, shall be abrogated, cancelled and annulled, and We are pleased to make, ordain and establish the following rules and ordinances in substitution for the same, which shall from henceforth be inviolably observed and kept:—

*Firstly*: It is ordained that the Medal shall be designated "The Military Medal."

*Secondly*: It is ordained that The Military Medal shall bear on the obverse the Royal Effigy, and on the reverse the words "For bravery in the Field," encircled by a wreath surmounted by the Royal Cipher and a Crown.

*Thirdly*: It is ordained that The Military Medal may be awarded to Warrant Officers, Classes I and II, non-commissioned officers and men serving in any of Our Military Forces for individual or associated acts of bravery in the Field, on the recommendation of a Commander-in-Chief in the Field.

*Fourthly*: It is ordained that in cases where Warrant Officers, Classes I and II,

non-commissioned officers and men who have been awarded The Military Medal shall be recommended by a Commander-in-Chief in the Field for further acts of bravery, a Bar or Bars may be added to the Medal already conferred.

*Fifthly*: It is ordained that Warrant Officers, Classes I and II, non-commissioned officers and other airmen serving in Our Air Forces, may be awarded The Military Medal for individual or associated acts of bravery in action on the ground, on a recommendation to Us by Our Principal Secretary of State for War; and, where the Medal has already been conferred, a Bar or Bars to the Medal may be awarded to such personnel for further approved acts of bravery in action on the ground.

*Sixthly*: It is ordained that The Military Medal may under exceptional circumstances on the special recommendation of a Commander-in-Chief in the Field be awarded to women, whether Our subjects or foreign persons, who have shown bravery and devotion under fire, and a Bar or Bars may be added for further such acts.

*Seventhly*: It is ordained that personnel of an Allied or Associated Army or Air Force of ranks equivalent to those of Our Military Forces specified in the third clause of this Our Warrant, who have been associated in operations with Our Military Forces or Our Air Forces shall be eligible for the award of The Military Medal.

*Eighthly*: It is ordained that The Military Medal shall not confer any individual precedence, but shall entitle the recipient to the addition after his or her name of the letters M.M.

*Ninthly*: It is ordained that the names of those upon whom We may be pleased to confer The Military Medal shall be published in the London Gazette, and that a Register thereof shall be kept in the Office of Our Principal Secretary of State for War.

*Tenthly*: It is ordained that The Military Medal shall be worn before war medals in such order as We may from time to time assign to it, and that it shall be worn on the left breast pendent from a ribbon of one inch and one quarter in width, which shall be in colour dark blue having in the centre three white and two crimson stripes alternating.

*Eleventhly*: It is ordained that it shall be competent for Us, Our Heirs and Successors, by an Order under Our Sign Manual and on the recommendation to that effect by or through Our Principal Secretary of State for War to cancel and annul the award of The Military Medal to any person and that thereupon his or her name in the Register shall be erased; but that it shall be competent for Us, Our Heirs and Successors, to restore the Medal when such recommendation has been withdrawn.

*Twelfthly*: It is ordained that notice of cancellation or restoration in every case shall be published in the London Gazette.

*Lastly*: We reserve to Ourselves, Our Heirs and Successors, full power of annulling, altering, abrogating, augmenting, interpret-