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**CENTRAL CHANCERY OF THE ORDERS OF KNIGHTHOOD.**

*St. James's Palace, S.W.1,  
11th July, 1944.*

The KING has been graciously pleased to give orders for the following promotions in and appointments to the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire:—

*To be an Additional Commander of the Military Division of the said Most Excellent Order:*

Acting Temporary Captain William Alexander Doust, O.B.E., R.N.V.R.,  
for outstanding skill, leadership and devotion to duty in salvage operations on the West Coast of Italy, carried out in the face of the enemy and in the most adverse conditions, the successful completion of which operations in record time enabled the armies in Italy to be maintained.

*To be Additional Officers of the Military Division of the said Most Excellent Order:*

Lieutenant-Commander Morgan Charles Giles, M.B.E., G.M., Royal Navy,  
Lieutenant-Commander John Edmund Grice, Royal Navy (Retired),  
for courage, leadership and devotion to duty in fire-fighting, rescue work and the salvage of valuable ships during and after a heavy air raid on Bari.

*To be Additional Members of the Military Division of the said Most Excellent Order:*

Temporary Lieutenant Harry Rogers, R.N.R.,  
Temporary Lieutenant George Donovan Candler, R.N.V.R.,  
Temporary Sub-Lieutenant Thomas Michael Patrick Downes, R.N.V.R.,  
Temporary Acting Sub-Lieutenant John Ernest Harley Collins, R.N.V.R. (Rednal),  
Mr. Raymond George Little, Warrant Mechanician, Royal Navy,  
for courage, leadership and skill in fire-fighting, rescue work and in towing ships clear of the fire during and after a heavy air raid on Bari.

**Acting Temporary Lieutenant-Commander Robert Llewellyn Jones, R.N.R.,**

for courage and fine seamanship in taking H.M.S. Barndale alongside H.M.S. Spartan when she was sinking so that the wounded could be brought on board.

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The KING has been graciously pleased to approve the award of the George Medal to:

Lieutenant - Commander John Valentine Wilkinson, D.S.C., Royal Navy,  
for undaunted courage in command of H.M.S. Zetland when there was a heavy air raid on the Port of Bari and fires were started.

Though he had been injured by flying debris from an explosion in an ammunition ship and was partly blinded by fumes, Lieutenant-Commander Wilkinson, with great fortitude and determination, three times tried to take his ship alongside a burning merchant-ship carrying high octane petrol in order to tow her clear. When this proved impossible, he towed the ship in the next berth to safety.

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The KING has been graciously pleased to approve the award of the British Empire Medal (Military Division) to the undermentioned:—

Engine Room Artificer Fourth Class Walter Herbert Joyce, D/MX.73523,  
for great coolness and skill in directing the work of the hose parties when an aircraft crashed on the deck of H.M.S. Illustrious.  
Acting Chief Engine Room Artificer, Ronald Charles Saunders, P/MX.51969,