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# CENTRAL CHANCERY OF THE ORDERS OF KNIGHTHOOD

St. James's Palace, London S.W.1. 2nd August 1966.

The QUEEN has been graciously pleased to approve the award of the British Empire Medal for Gallantry (Military Division) to the undermentioned:

E4025384 Chief Technician Eric McGregor, Royal Air Force.

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On the 26th February 1966, Chief Technician McGregor, an Aircraft Servicing Chief of the Flight Line Squadron, Royal Air Force, Wittering, was the crew chief of a Victor Mk. 2 aircraft in transit from the Far East to the United Kingdom via Gan. Shortly after landing at Gan the ground handling party saw smoke coming from the forward part of the bomb bay and asked for the bomb doors to be opened to enable the fire to be located, but due to a hydraulic malfunction it proved impossible to open the doors by normal means. The only possible alternative was the use of the manual system which required the resetting of a hydraulic protection unit located in the bomb bay near to the seat of the fire. Without regard for his own safety, Chief Technician McGregor entered the bomb bay through a servicing hatch to reset the protection unit, but whilst he was doing this the fire was increased by a burst of flame due to the ignition of hydraulic fluid spray, his hair was singed and he was overcome by toxic fumes. He had to be dragged out of the bomb bay but after a short rest he volunteered to re-enter and open another servicing panel to allow the firemen access to the fire, which by this time had spread dangerously close to the fuselage fuel tanks. With Chief Technician McGregor's direction and assistance, the fire was finally extinguished by the Station Fire/Crash crew. But for his prompt action it is probable that a most valuable aircraft would have been totally destroyed and, had the fuel tanks exploded, lives lost. He undoubtedly prevented what may well have turned out to be a major catastrophe. Chief Technician McGregor's courage, determination and disregard for his own safety were in the highest traditions of the Royal Air Force. nician McGregor's courage, determination and disregard for his own safety were in the highest traditions of the Royal Air Force.

# MINISTRY OF DEFENCE

2nd August 1966.

# ROYAL AIR FORCE

Air Marshal Sir Charles BROUGHTON, K.B.E., C.B., is appointed Air Member for Supply and Organisation in succession to Air Marshal Sir John Davis, K.C.B., O.B.E., M.A., 2nd Aug. 1966.

## GENERAL DUTIES BRANCH

Appointment to commission (permanent)

As Flying Officer (General List) Ground Branch:
Derek James Longstaff (4192269) (since promoted Flight Lieutenant). 1st Oct. 1965.

Appointment to commission (permanent)

As Flight Lieutenant (Supplementary List) Ground Branch:

Peter EKE (4116865). 14th Mar. 1966.

Transfer to Supplementary List conditions of service Flight Lieutenant G. G. SLINGSBY (582235) is transferred to the Supplementary List retaining his existing rank and seniority. 24th July 1966.

#### Promotion Flying Officer to Flight Lieutenant:

27th July 1966
P. V. BICKNELLE (4230936).
K. G. BLATCHFORD (4230964).
M. R. BUXEY (4230933).
L. C. F. CLAYTON (4230991).
K. C. FOSTER (4230980).
M. W. HANDS (4230924).
L. HURST (4230983).
P. D. SKINNER (4230074)

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J. R. WILLSON (4230966).

K. E. Austen (2759624). 28th July 1966. M. W. B. Bradford (681982). 31st July 1966.

Pilot Officer to Flying Officer:
G. C. Wheeler, B.Sc. (4232422). 1st Jan. 1966 (seniority 4th Mar. 1964).
S. W. Karwowski (507837). 27th July 1966.

Adjustment of period of service

The period of service on the Active List of Flying Officer P. J. Hill (4230534) is adjusted to eight years from 11th Mar. 1959.

Antedate of seniority

Flight Lieutenant J. K. WALDING, B.A. (4230909) has been awarded an antedate of seniority of 29th

July 1962 from 1st Jan. 1966.

Group ( July 1966. Captain H. D. NEWMAN, O.B.E. 29th

Squadron Leaders:

C. J. LOFTHOUSE, O.B.E., D.F.C. (67052) (at own request). 1st July 1966.
E. C. GOUGH (152110). 29th July 1966.

Flight Lieutenants:
T. W. MORRIS (582343). 9th July 1966.
B. G. E. Cass, B.Sc. (2481185). 19th July

1966. G. Heslop (181150). 21st July 1966. W. M. Casey (4016220). 23rd July 1966. L. J. Lawless (191394). 24th July 1966. 28th July 1966

D. A. CHURCHER (178968).L. SVETLIK (117371).

Flying Officer T. J. MILLS (506996) (at own request). 1st July 1966.

#### TECHNICAL BRANCH

Appointment to commission (permanent)

As Flying Officer (General List):

Christopher John Russell BIGGIE (507657). 26th Apr. 1966.

Appointment to commission (short service)

As Flying Officer (Supplementary List) (six years on the active list and four years on the reserve):

Michael Garrigan (508206). 4th July 1966 (seniority 4th Mar. 1965).

Promotion

Flying Officer to Flight Lieutenant:

W. Cockcroft (3503344). 28th July 1966.

Pilot Officer to Flying Officer:

F. W. Pike (508094). 19th Apr. 1966 (seniarity 19th Jan. 1965).

Regrading

Acting Pilot Officer to Pilot Officer: C. P. CLAYTON (4335515). 1st Apr. 1966 (seniority 29th Jan. 1966).

Transfer between branches

Flight Lieutenant G. L. S. Dyer, B.A. (607792), is transferred to the General Duties Branch (General List) retaining his existing rank and seniority. 17th July 1966.

Retirement

Air Marshal Sir Norman Cosley O.B.E., M.I.Mech.E. 30th July 1966. COSLETT, K.C.B.,

Flight Lieutenant O. A. Fox, D.F.M. (52688). 27th July 1966.

#### **EQUIPMENT BRANCH**

Promotion

Flying Officer to Flight Lieutenant:

G. Ions (592850). 30th July 1966.

Pilot Officer to Flying Officer:

1st Apr. 1966 (seniority 28th Jan: 1965)

R. J. T. FALKINER (608299) M. C. G. WILSON (608362)

28th July 1966

D. J. HAYMAN (608333).D. J. POWELL (608348).

Retirement

Group Captain T. S. KENNEDY, O.B.E. July 1966. 24th

Squadron Leader J. C (53998). 22nd July 1966. C. HARRIS-WARD, D.F.C.

Flight Lieutenant J. RODGER (57833). 29th July 1966.

## SECRETARIAL BRANCH

Appointment to commission (permanent)

As Flying Officer (Supplementary List):
Derek Kay Westwell (5069058). 5th Apr. 1966.

Flying Officer to Flight Lieutenant:

28th July 1966

A. R. ATTRIDGE (3503219). D. H. DANIELL (4031663). D. SNOW (57985).

Flying Officer to Flight Officer, W.R.A.F.:

28th July 1966

Z. E. PARRATT (2833498). M. B. Tullo (2833500).

Antedate of seniority

Flight Lieutenant C. J. GILMARTIN, B.A. (501169) has been awarded an antedate of seniority of 28th June 1953 from 1st Jan. 1966.

Flying Officer P. W. Roe, B.A. (2491161) has been awarded an antedate of seniority of 6th Mar. 1964 from 1st Jan. 1966.

Transfer between branches

Flying Officer C. E. STUART (2797215), W.R.A.F., is transferred to the General Duties (Supplementary List) Ground Branch, retaining her existing rank and seniority. 1st Aug. 1966.

Transfer to reserve

Flying Officers, W.R.A.F.:

G. J. CAMPBELL (2797107) (at own request).
24th June 1966.
P. R. MORRIS (2834383). 12th July 1966.

#### CHAPLAINS BRANCH

Commission relinquished

Rev. A. Hughes, B.A. (507280) (at own request). 29th June 1966.

#### EDUCATION BRANCH

Appointment to commission (permanent)

As Flying Officer (General List):
Michael Anthony Верwортн, В.Sc. (508204). 4th July 1966.

Promotion

Flight Lieutenant to Squadron Leader:

D. Mason (3151079). 29th July 1966. J. A. MacDonald, B.Sc. (2774728). 2nd Aug. 1966.

Flying Officer to Flight Lieutenant: 29th July 1966

A. Brown (584613).J. L. CLARKE (1920643).R. H. CRIPPS (579225).

Transfer to reserve

Flight Officer P. House, B.A. (8842), W.R.A.F. 17th July 1966.

## DIRECTORS OF MUSIC

Retirement

Squadron Leader W. G. NEWMAN (650748). 15th July 1966.

# PRINCESS MARY'S ROYAL AIR FORCE NURSING SERVICE

Extension of service

The period of service on the Active List of Flight Officer N. M. Brown, S.R.N., S.C.M. (407984), is extended to six years from 17th Dec. 1962.

# ROYAL AIR FORCE RESERVE OF OFFICERS

#### GENERAL DUTIES BRANCH

Promotion

Flying Officer to Flight Lieutenant: G. McD. SINCLAIR (4116339). 30th June 1966.

Commission relinquished

Flight Lieutenants retaining their rank:

C. J. M. Loftus (3521386). 29th July 1966.

31st July 1966

R. A. LESLEY (582848). R. E. PEARSALL (3500768). R. J. ROWLES (4045352).

#### SECRETARIAL BRANCH

Promotion

Flying Officer to Flight Lieutenant: C. R. WAGLAND (4230367). 1st June 1966.

Pilot Officer to Flying Officer, W.R.A.F.R.O.: P. V. Tidy (2797137). 2nd June 1966.

#### **EDUCATION BRANCH**

Promotion

Flying Officer to Flight Lieutenant: J. VAUGHAN, B.Sc. (506478). 5th June 1966.

#### CLASS CC

Commission relinquished

Flight Lieutenant S. J. Bolton-Gilber S. J. Gilbert) (192254). 20th Mar. 1966. BOLTON-GILBERT (late

## ROYAL AIR FORCE VOLUNTEER RESERVE

(Reconstituted Section)

# GENERAL DUTIES BRANCH

Extension of Service

The period of service of Acting Pilot Officer E. McDowell (2619067) is extended by one year from 4th June 1966.

# ROYAL AIR FORCE VOLUNTEER RESERVE

#### (TRAINING BRANCH)

Extension of Service

The period of service of the undermentioned Flying Officers is extended by four years from the dates stated:

C. D. STEVENSON (207112). 16th June 1966.

29th July 1966

29th July 1966
L. G. Abbie (3023594).
L. Brett (184322).
M. C. Butcher, B.Sc. (193374).
R. F. Craig (204909).
S. Lerche (176225).
G. W. Marshall (178542).
J. W. Oxley (1103050).
O. A. Parry, D.F.C. (134128).
E. M. Slingsby (2547540).

31st July 1966

Jist July 1966

D. R. Bakter, D.F.C. (148575).

J. P. Blackmore (123096).

J. Blagg (2681690).

K. D. Elloway (1403320).

R. G. T. Hooper (59288).

N. S. Lacey, A.F.C. (72997).

W. G. Monro (205479).

W. L. Simpson (1349120).

F. C. H. Taylor, A.F.M. (111531).

H. Powleson (167481). 3rd Aug. 1966.

Commission Relinquished Flying Officer I. C. HITCI ing his rank. 30th July 1966. I. C. HITCHMAN (206190), retain-

Pilot Officer W. J. RICHARDS (1602495), retaining his rank. 1st Aug. 1966.

#### Commission Resigned

1966.

Flying Officers:
D. H. L. THOMAS (548009). 20th May 1966.
M. FRANKLIN (207215). 31st May 1966.
C. J. MACDONALD, B.A. (206627). 1st July 1966.

Flying Officer I. D. McKellar, B.Sc. (206375), retaining the rank of Flight Lieutenant. 1st July

Flying Officer P. Voller (1584633), retaining his rank. 3rd June 1966.

Pilot Officer J. S. DAVEY, B.Sc. (207201). 31st July 1966.

Commission Terminated
Flying Officer T. W. WILSON (3137471). 16th
June 1966.

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