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MINISTRY OF DEFENCE

## NAVY DEPARTMENT

CENTRAL CHANCERY  
OF THE ORDERS OF KNIGHTHOODSt. James's Palace, London S.W.1.  
17th October 1967.

The QUEEN has been graciously pleased, on the advice of Her Majesty's Australian Ministers, to approve the award of the British Empire Medal for Gallantry (Military Division) to the undermentioned:

(To be dated 12th October 1967)

Acting Leading Electrical Mechanic Communications James Harrower DUNCAN, R.93007, Royal Australian Navy.

At about 0015 on 25th February 1967, Acting Leading Electrical Mechanic Communications James Harrower Duncan was one of a party of personnel trying to locate a suspected armed intruder in the area around Darwin Naval Radio Station, after a telephone threat of intent to shoot Naval personnel.

Upon being fired at, the party went to ground and in an effort to locate the sniper Leading Electrical Mechanic Duncan ran for cover behind a parked car. He tried to reason with the sniper and was shot at, the bullet passing through the car windows within several inches of his head and showering his face with glass. He attempted again to reason with the sniper and was shot at a second time.

On being called on to stand up, he did so, believing that the sniper was ready to listen to reason and that further shooting could be averted.

He walked into the open and proceeded to the Radio Station, all the while calling on the sniper to desist from his crazed actions. Instead of exposing himself, Leading Electrical Mechanic Duncan could have remained under complete cover behind and below window level of the parked car, but his action drew fire from other personnel and allowed them to seek better cover.

Instead of carrying out the gunman's instructions to bring out other Naval personnel, Leading Electrical Mechanic Duncan gave him evasive replies as to their condition and whereabouts in an effort to stall for time until the Police arrived. When the Police arrived, he came to their aid by switching off lights in a diesel generator shed adjacent to the Radio Station and was shot at again several times.

The actions of this sailor and the initiative he displayed in trying to prevent a fusillade of fire being directed at other personnel and his coolness and resourcefulness after having been fired at, were courageous and highly commendable.

## ARMY DEPARTMENT

## ERRATUM

London Gazette No. 44321. Page 6082.  
Dated 30th May 1967

For: 22706578 Sergeant Reginald Charles Austin,  
Royal Regiment of Artillery.

Read: 22706578 Sergeant Raymond Charles Austin,  
Royal Regiment of Artillery.

17th Oct. 1967

Maj.-Gen. Sir Nigel TAPP, K.B.E., C.B., D.S.O., is appointed Lieutenant-Governor and Secretary, Royal Hospital Chelsea, 15th Oct. 1967, vice Maj.-Gen. R. G. S. HOBBS, C.B., D.S.O., O.B.E.

## COMMANDS AND STAFF

## REGULAR ARMY

Maj.-Gen. M. FORRESTER, C.B.E., D.S.O., M.C. (69349), late Inf., relinquishes his appointment as General Officer Commanding 4 Division, remaining on full pay, 16th Oct. 1967.

Brig. V. F. ERSKINE CRUM, C.I.E., M.C. (130301), late Ft. Gds., is appointed General Officer Commanding 4 Division, and is granted the acting rank of Maj.-Gen., 16th Oct. 1967.

## REGULAR ARMY RESERVE OF OFFICERS

Maj.-Gen. J. C. BARNETSON, C.B., O.B.E., M.B. (41955), late R.A.M.C. having attained the age limit ceases to belong to the Res. of Offrs., 26 Jul. 1967, retaining the rank of Maj.-Gen.

Brig. A. P. CAMPBELL, O.B.E. (44057), late R.A.S.C. having attained the age limit for liability to recall ceases to belong to the Res. of Offrs., 11th Oct. 1967.

Col. A. W. EDMEADES, M.B.E. (44077), late R.A. having attained the age limit for liability to recall ceases to belong to the Res. of Offrs., 11th Oct. 1967.

## Class III

Col. J. R. BRADSHAW, O.B.E., T.D. (323384), late R.E.M.E. from T.A. to be Col., 1st Apr. 1967.

## ROYAL ARMOURED CORPS

## Q.D.G.

## TERRITORIAL AND ARMY VOLUNTEER RESERVE

## Category II

Lt. M. R. T. TODD (468592) (Res. of Offrs.) to be Lt., 18th Jul. 1967, with seniority 3rd Mar. 1963.