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**THE ALBERT MEDAL**  
**ROYAL WARRANT**

**ELIZABETH R.**

ELIZABETH THE SECOND, by the Grace of God of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and of Our other Realms and Territories QUEEN, Head of the Commonwealth, Defender of the Faith, to all to whom these Presents shall come,

Greeting!

Whereas by Warrants dated 7th March, 1866, 12th April, 1867 and 30th April, 1877 Her late Majesty Queen Victoria did institute and create Decorations styled respectively "The Albert Medal of the First Class" and "The Albert Medal of the Second Class":

And whereas by a Warrant dated 5th June, 1905 all the Warrants relating to these Decorations were consolidated:

And whereas by a Warrant dated 28th August, 1917 the Rules and ordinances were further consolidated and it was ordained that the Decoration in each case should be styled "The Albert Medal", but that when awarded for acts of such extreme and heroic daring as to merit a special degree of recognition it should be styled "The Albert Medal in Gold":

And whereas by Warrants dated 1st October, 1930 and 27th October, 1944 the said Warrant dated 28th August, 1917 was amended:

And whereas We deem it expedient that provision should be made for payment of an annual gratuity to those living recipients of the Albert Medal and the Albert Medal in Gold who fall to be in this matter a responsibility of the United Kingdom Government:

Now therefore We by these Presents for Us, Our Heirs and Successors, are graciously pleased to make, ordain and establish the following Rules and ordinances for the governance of the same:

IX. It is ordained that every living recipient of the Albert Medal or the Albert Medal in Gold, who falls to be in this matter a responsibility of the United Kingdom Government, shall from the fourteenth day of November, 1968 be entitled to a gratuity of one hundred pounds a year, for life.

X. It is ordained that should a recipient of the Albert Medal or the Albert Medal in Gold die before he has received a total of fifty pounds in respect of the gratuity of one hundred pounds a year which is payable to holders of the Albert Medal and the Albert Medal in Gold by the United Kingdom Government, there shall be credited to his estate a sum equal to the balance needed to complete fifty pounds.

XI. It is ordained that, subject to such exceptions as We, Our Heirs and Successors may ordain, a citizen of a Member Country of the Commonwealth Overseas to whom the Albert Medal or the Albert Medal in Gold has been awarded, shall receive such gratuity as may be provided from the revenues of that Country under regulations made by the said Country.

And it is Our Will and Pleasure that these Clauses shall be taken and received as part and parcel of the Warrant for the said Albert Medal and the said Albert Medal in Gold.

Given at Our Court at Saint James's the twenty-fourth day of January, 1969; In the Seventeenth Year of Our Reign.

By Her Majesty's Command.  
*James Callaghan.*

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