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THURSDAY, 16TH OCTOBER 1975

State Intelligence

PRIVY COUNCIL OFFICE

At the Court at Balmoral, the 17th day of September, 1975

PRESENT

The QUEEN'S Most Excellent Majesty in Council

Whereas by Order in Council dated 20th December 1972 and previous Orders in Council authority was given for the payment of awards to members of the naval forces in respect of disablement attributable to peace-time service before 3rd September 1939 at similar rates and subject to similar conditions as awards payable by the Department of Health and Social Security in respect of disablement attributable to service during the 1914 World War or after 2nd September 1939:

And whereas the Department of Health and Social Security have made further provision concerning disability retired pay, pensions and other grants payable to members of the naval forces:

And whereas it is expedient that corresponding improvements should be made in the disablement awards payable by the Ministry of Defence to members of the naval forces:

Now, therefore, Her Majesty, in exercise of the powers conferred upon Her by section 11 of the Naval and Marine Pay and Pensions Act 1865, and of all other powers enabling Her in that behalf, is pleased, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, to order, and it is hereby ordered, as follows:

1. This Order may be cited as the Naval and Marine Pay and Pensions (Disablement Awards) Order 1975.
2. Awards as set out in the Schedules to this Order shall be payable to Officers and men of the Royal Navy and Royal Marines in respect of disablement which on retirement or discharge or subsequently is certified to be attributable to service before the 1914 World War or during the period 1st October 1921 to 2nd September 1939 inclusive.
3. The rates and conditions of award shall take effect from the dates specified in the Schedules hereto.
4. The date of commencement of pension shall be determined according to the circumstances of the case but payment shall not normally be made in respect of any period preceding the date of application or appeal as a result of which the claim to the award of the pension, or, as the case may be, to the continuance or resumption of the payment of the pension, is accepted.

N. E. Leigh

SCHEDULE I

Awards in respect of Disablement

1. Pensions for Disablement

(a) A member of the naval forces, the degree of whose disablement is not less than 20 per cent., may be awarded at Ministry of Defence discretion retired pay or a pension at whichever of the rates set out in the Tables in these Schedules is appropriate to his rank or status and the degree of his disablement.