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PRIVY COUNCIL OFFICE

At the Court at Buckingham Palace, the 9th day of February 1978

PRESENT,

The QUEEN'S Most Excellent Majesty in Council

Whereas it is expedient to provide for increased rates of awards to Maltese Naval Locally Engaged Personnel in respect of disablement attributable to service:

Now, therefore, Her Majesty, in exercise of the powers conferred upon Her by the Naval and Marine Pay and Pensions Act 1865 (c. 73), 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 (Maltese Naval Locally Engaged Personnel Disablement Awards) Order 1978.

2. Awards as set out in the Schedule to this Order to be converted to Maltese currency shall be payable to Maltese Naval Locally Engaged Personnel of the Malta Port Division, hereinafter referred to as "Maltese Naval Forces", in respect of disablement which on retirement or discharge or subsequently is certified to be attributable to service.

3. The rates and conditions of award shall take effect from the 16th November 1977.

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

Awards in respect of disablement

Note

Members of the Maltese Naval Forces who prior to 1st April 1972 were awarded attributable pensions at the United Kingdom rates for disablement have a reserved right to continue to receive the increases relevant to United Kingdom attributable disablement pensions.

1. *Pensions for Disablement*

A member of the Maltese Naval Forces, the degree of whose disablement is not less than 20 per cent., may be awarded at Ministry of Defence discretion a pension at whichever of the rates set out in the Tables in this Schedule is appropriate to his status and the degree of his disablement.

2. *Gratuities*

A member of the Maltese Naval Forces, the degree of whose disablement is less than 20 per cent., may be awarded a gratuity in accordance with the appropriate Table in this Schedule.

3. *Allowances for Eligible Members of the Family*

(a) Where a member of the Maltese Naval Forces is awarded a pension under Clause 1 of this Schedule, allowances in respect of eligible members of the family may be awarded at such proportion of the rates set out in the following Table as corresponds to the degree of the disablement on which the pension is based: