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WAR OFFICE

The QUEEN has been graciously pleased to approve the following award:

Distinguished Service Order

Colonel (Temporary Brigadier) Arthur Gordon PATTERSON, O.B.E., M.C. (380841), Staff (Late Infantry).

Brigadier Patterson was in command of the land forces engaged with the rebels in Brunei from December 1962 onwards. Speed and surprise were essential to save the many hostages who were in rebel hands. Rapidly mounting bold and successful operations Brigadier Patterson achieved a full measure of success. He was tireless in moving throughout the area and his presence was an inspiration to his troops. He reached Limbang by river the day after its capture and whilst operations in the area were still continuing and flew over rebel occupied areas exercising command by continual personal visits to forward units. His personal boldness and his vigorous leadership resulted in the rapid suppression of the rebellion.

There followed the exacting task of rounding up escaped rebel leaders in the swamps and jungles. Throughout wearisome months of patrolling and searching in most forbidding country Brigadier Patterson maintained his enthusiasm and drive until, on the 18th May 1963, the remaining rebel leaders were captured or killed.

Continuing responsible for a wide area Brigadier Patterson vigorously investigated reports of any unusual activity. In a surprise raid in Central Sarawak in August he captured eight suspects. The same month a party of Indonesian trained intruders were forced to discard their arms and make their way back across the border.

Throughout ten months of operations Brigadier Patterson's disregard for his own safety, sense of purpose and vigorous leadership have produced an impressive result.

The QUEEN has been graciously pleased to approve the following award in recognition of Gallant and Distinguished Services in the Borneo Territories.

Military Cross

Lieutenant (Q.G.O.) LALITBAHADUR GURUNG (473652)
2nd King Edward VII's Own Gurkha Rifles.

On the 2nd September 1963 a patrol under the command of Lieutenant Lalitbahadur Gurung made contact with a band of Indonesian based raiders, on the far side of a river. Lieutenant Lalitbahadur, with great difficulty, led his men across the river and picked up tracks on the very steep hillside which

formed its bank. Moving up the precipitous hillside through thick undergrowth he noticed some movement above him. Having been ordered to take prisoners if possible he deployed his platoon and called upon the enemy to surrender but their answer was to open fire wounding one of the Gurkha riflemen.

With a complete disregard for his own safety Lieutenant Lalitbahadur led his men upwards to engage the enemy. As a result of his brave and determined leadership five of the intruders were killed.

The ground over which this action was fought was covered with dense secondary undergrowth, sloping steeply down to the river. The conditions were very much in the enemy's favour. The success achieved was entirely due to Lieutenant Lalitbahadur's courage, skill and leadership.

14th February 1964.

COMMANDS AND STAFF

Maj.-Gen. A. P. W. HOPE, C.B., C.B.E. (49876), late Inf., relinquishes his appointment as Director of Equipment Policy, War Office, remaining on full pay, 14th Feb. 1964.

Maj.-Gen. G. R. D. FITZPATRICK, C.B., D.S.O., M.B.E., M.C. (53670), late R.A.C., relinquishes his appointment as Director of Military Operations, War Office remaining on full pay, 14th Feb. 1964.

Maj.-Gen. R. G. V. FITZGEORGE-BALFOUR, C.B.E., D.S.O., M.C. (53288), late Ft. Gds., is appointed Director of Military Operations, War Office, 14th Feb. 1964.

Brig. W. D. E. BROWN, C.B.E., D.S.O., A.D.C. (62507), late R.A., is appointed Director of Equipment Policy, War Office, and is granted the temporary rank of Maj.-Gen., 14th Feb. 1964.

ROYAL ARMOURED CORPS

R.T.R.

REGULAR ARMY

Lt.-Col. J. C. EVASON (77620) (Emp. List 1) to be Supernumerary to Establishment, 13th Feb. 1964.

R.A.C.

REGULAR ARMY

Short Serv. Commn.

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REGULAR ARMY RESERVE OF OFFICERS

Short Serv. Commn.

Lt. A. R. F. H. BURSSELL (466833) from Active List, to be Lt., 15th Feb. 1964.