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**MINISTRY OF DEFENCE**

Whitehall, London S.W.1.

19th July 1966.

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

*Queen's Commendation for Valuable Service  
in the Air*

Squadron Leader John Laurence DILLON (582299),  
Royal Air Force.

In recognition of his skill, courage and determination as aircraft captain and navigator in flying in a medical team to assist and evacuate the worst of the injured British troops, when a hand grenade was thrown into a cinema in Southern Arabia. As far as is known no aircraft had flown before into the area at night and no night landing facilities were available there. It is very mountainous country and the conditions were extremely hazardous. The fact that speedy treatment was given to the injured and that the most seriously injured were taken from the area, gave great confidence to the troops operating in the Federation.

Flight Lieutenant Richard Christopher King ALCOCK  
(3513841), Royal Air Force.

In recognition of his skill, courage and determination in overcoming the difficulties of a night landing on a poorly illuminated strip in mountainous country, in rescuing badly wounded troops and landing a medical team into Southern Arabia to attend to British troops injured, when a hand grenade was thrown into a cinema. Vehicle headlights had to be used to guide the aircraft and by any standard this was a most difficult and exceptional flight and few would have dared hope for success. The successful outcome was the direct result of the outstanding flying skill and professional competence of this officer.

19th July 1966.

**ROYAL AIR FORCE**

The QUEEN has been graciously pleased to approve the appointment of His Majesty HUSSEIN I, G.C.V.O., King of the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan, to the Royal Air Force in the Honorary rank of Air Chief Marshal. 19th July 1966.

Air Marshal Sir Donald EVANS, K.B.E., C.B., D.F.C., is appointed Air Secretary, in succession to Air Chief Marshal Sir William MACDONALD, G.C.B., C.B.E., D.F.C., A.D.C. 14th July 1966.

Air Vice-Marshal T. W. PIPER, C.B., C.B.E., A.F.C., is appointed United Kingdom Member, Permanent Military Deputies Group, Central Treaty Organisation, with the Acting Rank of Air Marshal, in succession to Air Marshal Sir Charles BROUGHTON, K.B.E., C.B. 18th July 1966.

**GENERAL DUTIES BRANCH**

*Appointment to Commission (Permanent)*

*As Flight Lieutenant (General List):*

Anthony David DOIDGE (4187971). 1st Oct. 1965.

*As Pilot Officer (General List):*

Michael John KEMPSTER, B.Sc. (508194). 13th June 1966 (seniority 13th Sept. 1964).

*As Acting Pilot Officers (General List):*

*Cadet Pilots*

10th June 1966

Geoffrey BARON (4232996).

Hugh Donald MACKENZIE (2614755).

*Appointment to Commission (Permanent)*

*As Flying Officer (General List) Ground Branch:*

Hugh Geoffrey MAUND (4335004). 1st Oct. 1965.

*As Flying Officer (Supplementary List) Ground Branch:*

Peter Cornelius STEWART (2738367). 13th June 1966 (seniority 16th Nov. 1960).

*Appointment to Commission (Permanent) (D.E.C.(A))*

*As Flight Lieutenants (Supplementary List):*

Raymond Thomas HOWELL (4185815). 21st Jan. 1966.

Peter Neville PERRY (4176448). 27th Apr. 1966.

*As Pilot Officer (Supplementary List):*

Thomas Denby ROBSON, B.A. (508195). 13th June 1966 (seniority 13th Mar. 1965).

*As Flying Officers (Supplementary List):*

*Cadet Pilots*

10th June 1966

James Daniel WALMSLEY (4266693) (seniority 14th Feb. 1966).

Michael Stuart TINSON (685880) (seniority 17th Apr. 1966).

Christopher John TAYLOR (687671) (seniority 18th May 1966).

*As Pilot Officer (Supplementary List):*

Cadet Pilot Lester Richard WRATTEN (688017). 10th June 1966 (seniority 4th June 1966).