

MEMORANDUM

REGULAR ARMY RESERVE OF OFFICERS

All officers of the Regular Army who attained the age limit of their rank and Corps on a date during the period 1st Jan. 1976 to 31st Mar. 1976, will cease to belong to the Regular Army Reserve of Officers on that date unless retained under Article 274 of the Pay Warrant 1964.

All Officers who:

- (a) were members of the Territorial and Army Volunteer Reserve, the Army Emergency Reserve of Officers, the Territorial Army or the Territorial Army Reserve of Officers, and
- (b) who transferred to the Regular Army Reserve of Officers, and
- (c) who attained the age limit of their rank and Corps on a date during the period 1st Jan. 1976 to 31st Mar. 1976

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AIR FORCE DEPARTMENT

6th April 1976.

The QUEEN has been pleased to appoint Air Vice-Marshal R. D. AUSTEN-SMITH, C.B., D.F.C. to be Administrator of the Sovereign Base Areas of Akrotiri and Dhekelia in the Island of Cyprus in succession to Air Marshal Sir John AIKEN, K.C.B., 2nd Apr. 1976.

ROYAL AIR FORCE

Air Vice-Marshal R. D. AUSTEN-SMITH, C.B., D.F.C., is appointed Commander, British Forces, Cyprus and Air Commander, Cyprus, 1st Apr. 1976.

GENERAL DUTIES BRANCH

Promotion

Flying Officer to Flight Lieutenant:

- J. G. BURGESS (8021105), 16th Mar. 1976.
B. MURDOCK (4220390), 3rd Apr. 1976.

Pilot Officer to Flying Officer:

- R. S. D. KNIGHT (8103664), 3rd Feb. 1976.
S. W. AUSTIN-VAUTIER, B.Sc. (2623797), 14th Mar. 1976 (*Seniority 14th Jun. 1974*).

Specialist Aircrew

Flight Lieutenants designated Specialist Aircrew:

- E. H. TALL (3000196), 1st Apr. 1976.
W. J. M. JAMES (4177571), 2nd Apr. 1976.
K. E. NICHOLAS (681052), 5th Apr. 1976.

Transfer between Branches

Flight Lieutenant W. F. McCAFFREY (585039) to the Photographic Interpretation Branch 1st Mar. 1976 in existing rank and seniority.

Flight Lieutenant F. E. FISHER, B.Sc. (5203009) to the Engineer Branch 25th Feb. 1976 in the rank of Flying Officer with seniority of 11th Oct. 1971.

Retirement

Group Captain B. E. de IONGH, 31st Mar. 1976.

Group Captains (at own request):

- S. J. RAWLINS, D.F.C., M.B.I.M., 27th Mar. 1976.
T. M. FENNELL, O.B.E., A.F.C., 30th Mar. 1976.
J. R. MASON, A.M.B.I.M., 31st Mar. 1976.

Wing Commanders:

- F. R. DAVIDSON, D.F.C., A.M.B.I.M. (155121), 17th Mar. 1976.
P. S. BRIDGER (203131), 26th Mar. 1976.
R. A. HALE (202582), 27th Mar. 1976.

Squadron Leaders:

- R. G. BASSETT (4178401), 21st Mar. 1976.
A. M. LAIDLAY, D.F.C. (164659), 26th Mar. 1976.
M. J. D. FULLER (607883), 2nd Apr. 1976.

Squadron Leaders (at own request):

- L. J. S. WHITEIGHT (1314639), 23rd Mar. 1976.
M. G. CROTTY, D.F.C. (135491), 31st Mar. 1976.

Flight Lieutenants:

- P. D. RICE (4233143), 13th Mar. 1976.
B. H. KING (4230186), 25th Mar. 1976.

- S. NICHOLLS, A.F.M. (3001427), 26th Mar. 1976.
J. R. PENLEY-MARTIN (2541543), 27th Mar. 1976.
B. W. GILL, A.F.C. (4063924), 31st Mar. 1976.
R. I. BOOTH (4231300), 1st Apr. 1976.
B. V. SANDFORD (608448), 2nd Apr. 1976.

Reversion to Retired List

Group Captain D. A. P. SAUNDERS-DAVIES, M.B.I.M., 29th Mar. 1976.

Commission Terminated

Flight Lieutenant R. M. ANDREWS, B.Sc. (2624799), 26th Feb. 1976.

GENERAL DUTIES (GROUND) BRANCH

Promotion

Pilot Officer to Flying Officer:

E. R. WILSON, B.Sc. (5203107), 14th Mar. 1976 (*Seniority 14th Dec. 1973*).

6th Apr. 1976

- D. I. LEWINGTON (8023135).
T. B. MARSHALL (8023131).
B. D. WATTS (8023117).

Transfer to the Reserve

Flight Lieutenant Y. F. PUNCHER (8031490) W.R.A.F., 21st Mar. 1976.

Retirement

Group Captain D. NEWELL, O.B.E., M.B.I.M. (at own request), 4th Apr. 1976.
Squadron Leader G. C. RICCOMINI (171723) (at own request), 31st Mar. 1976.

Flight Lieutenants:

E. R. HAWES (568007), 26th Mar. 1976.
R. J. IRVING, D.F.M. (56689) (at own request), 27th Mar. 1976.

Commission Terminated

Acting Pilot Officer I. D. WALKER (8023293), 29th Feb. 1976.

PHOTOGRAPHIC INTERPRETATION
BRANCH*Promotion*

Flying Officer to Flight Lieutenant:

- G. W. BESZANT, B.Sc. (5202416), 2nd Apr. 1976.
D. ASHTON (8022671), 3rd Apr. 1976.

ENGINEER BRANCH

Promotion

Flying Officer to Flight Lieutenant:

- I. R. WATSON (5201668), 25th Feb. 1976.
M. S. FORREST (5202079), 3rd Mar. 1976.
S. R. L. BRAZENDALE, B.Sc. (5202425), 2nd Apr. 1976.

Retirement

Squadron Leader J. S. LOCKWOOD (569471) (at own request), 26th Mar. 1976.
Flight Lieutenant D. DAWE (574182) (at own request), 2nd Apr. 1976.

Commission Resigned

Pilot Officer N. P. GIVENS (5202123), 28th Feb. 1976.

Commission Terminated

Flying Officer D. P. ELLIOTT, B.Sc. (5201264), 28th Feb. 1976.

ADMINISTRATIVE BRANCH

Promotion

Flight Lieutenant to Squadron Leader:

- D. LEWIS (2529408), 5th Apr. 1976.

Flying Officer to Flight Lieutenant:

- J. A. SCOTT, B.A. (9047) W.R.A.F., 13th May 1975.

Extension of Service

The period of service on the Active List of Flying Officer E. M. BLENCOWE (8031827) W.R.A.F. is extended to 31st May 1979.