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ROYAL AIR FORCE.

The KING has been graciously pleased to approve the following awards in recognition of gallantry displayed in flying operations against the enemy:—

Bar to Distinguished Flying Cross.

Acting Wing Commander Clark John FEE, D.F.C. (Can/C.773), Royal Canadian Air Force.

This officer, both as a squadron commander and a wing leader has taken part in a large number of operational sorties. He has always shown exceptional enthusiasm to engage the enemy and remarkable coolness when under fire. Wing Commander Fee is a brilliant leader who has set a splendid example of courage and determination.

Distinguished Flying Cross.

Acting Squadron Leader Charles Llewellyn GREEN (41527), No. 266 Squadron.

Squadron Leader Green has an impressive record of operational flights against the enemy. Since May, 1941, when he joined his present unit he has participated in many operational sorties, acting as leader of his squadron on numerous occasions. In addition he has completed several other flights and defensive patrols and has destroyed 1 enemy aircraft. Squadron Leader Green has always displayed outstanding leadership and an intense desire to engage the enemy. By his example and keenness he has raised the efficiency of his squadron to a very high standard.

Flight Lieutenant William Ronald CUNDY, D.F.M. (Aus.402732), Royal Australian Air Force, No. 260 Squadron.

In November, 1942, this officer made an exceptionally daring attack on an enemy lighter in the vicinity of Tobruk. Undeterred by damage sustained by his aircraft from heavy anti-aircraft fire, Flight Lieutenant Cundy, displaying great coolness and determination bombed the ship which was set on fire and destroyed. Many troops were on board the vessel at the time. This officer has exhibited outstanding tenacity and gallantry on numerous occasions. He has taken part in many operational flights on escort duties, and in bombing and machine gunning ground targets. Since September, 1942, Flight Lieutenant Cundy has destroyed two enemy aircraft bringing his total victories to 5.

Flight Lieutenant Frederick William HIGGINSON, D.F.M. (44630), No. 56 Squadron.

Since he was awarded the Distinguished Flying Medal in July, 1940, this officer has consistently participated in his squadron's operational activities. He took part in the fighting during the Battle of Britain and subsequently in offensive sweeps over France when he often led his

squadron. He has now destroyed at least 12 enemy aircraft and throughout has displayed great skill and courage in combat with the enemy.

Flying Officer Evatt Anthony SANDERS (106175), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 29 Squadron.

As observer, this officer has completed numerous operational sorties. On the night of January 17th, 1943, he took part in the destruction of 4 enemy aircraft. Flying Officer Sanders has always displayed resolution and tenacity when pursuing the enemy.

Pilot Officer David Taylor GALT (Aus.400976), Royal Australian Air Force, No. 460 (R.A.A.F.) Squadron.

This officer displayed great gallantry, coolness, and presence of mind in hazardous circumstances when his aircraft was hit and set on fire by anti-aircraft gunfire.

Distinguished Flying Medal.

Can.R.75188 Flight Sergeant James Francis EDWARDS, Royal Canadian Air Force, No. 260 Squadron.

Flight Sergeant Edwards is an extremely capable leader, and a superbly gallant fighter pilot. Since October, 1942, he has destroyed 6 enemy aircraft. While participating in numerous operational sorties over enemy territory he has displayed outstanding coolness and courage in the face of opposition, while his cheerful and imperturbable spirit has been an inspiration to the squadron.

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The KING has been graciously pleased to approve the following awards:—

Distinguished Service Order.

Acting Wing Commander Ronald Clifford HOCKEY, D.F.C. (72993), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 138 Squadron.

Squadron Leader Denis CLYDE-SMITH, D.F.C. (39856), No. 9 Squadron.

Squadron Leader Richard Bentley OSBORN, D.F.C. (74686), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 460 (R.A.A.F.) Squadron.

Squadron Leader Donald Wilfred STEVENTON, D.F.C. (33477), No. 541 Squadron.

Bar to Distinguished Flying Cross.

Flying Officer Victor George ROBSON, D.F.C. (116437), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 105 Squadron.

Flight Lieutenant Kenneth William John TARRANT, D.F.C. (83732), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 220 Squadron.