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CENTRAL CHANCERY OF THE ORDERS OF KNIGHTHOOD.

St. James's Palace, S.W.1.

5th May, 1944.

The KING has been graciously pleased, on the advice of His Majesty's Canadian Ministers, to approve the award of the British Empire Medal (Military Division) to the undermentioned—

Can/R.192594 Sergeant Ronald Rogerson BARKER,
Royal Canadian Air Force
Can/R.170919 Sergeant Gordon Allen HARE, Royal
Canadian Air Force.
Can/R.205457 Corporal William Welfare RIGLIN,
Royal Canadian Air Force

Air Ministry, 5th May, 1944.

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

Distinguished Service Order.

Group Captain Raymond William Pennington COLLINGS, A.F.C., Royal Air Force, No. 156 Squadron.

This officer has commanded the squadron during a period in which a series of heavy attacks on targets important to the enemy's war effort have been made. He has displayed great skill, excellent judgment and unswerving devotion to duty, qualities which have been reflected in the high standard of morale and operational efficiency of the squadron he commands. He is a most inspiring leader, whose keenness and determination have been outstanding.

Acting Group Captain Harry Emlyn BUFTON, D.F.C., A.F.C., Royal Air Force, No. 109 Squadron.

Since being awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross this officer has taken part in many sorties and has continued to display the highest standard of skill and gallantry. He commanded the squadron during its activities in the Battle of the Ruhr and his great skill, boundless energy and careful planning contributed in a large measure to the successes obtained.

Acting Wing Commander Arthur Stanley JOHNSON, D.F.M., (44606), Royal Air Force, No. 83 Squadron.

This officer has completed a very large number of sorties, including attacks on most of the enemy's strongly defended targets in Germany. He has proved himself to be a skilful and courageous captain, whose determination to attack his targets with accuracy has been a prominent

feature throughout his long tour. He is a most inspiring leader and his achievements have been worthy of the greatest praise.

Acting Squadron Leader Richard David CAMPLING, D.F.C. (47364), Royal Air Force, No. 7 Squadron.

This officer has completed numerous sorties since being awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross, involving attacks on such targets as Berlin, Leipzig, Brunswick and Stettin. He is an outstanding pilot and captain whose gallant leadership and sterling qualities have been reflected in the fine fighting qualities of his crews. His successes pay an excellent tribute to his determination to bomb his targets with accuracy.

Acting Squadron Leader David Alexander DUNLOP, D.F.C. (104431), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 7 Squadron.

Since being awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross this officer has participated in numerous sorties, including 4 attacks on Berlin and 3 on Stuttgart. He is a fearless and efficient captain, whose example in the face of the fiercest opposition has been worthy of the highest praise. He has rendered loyal and devoted service.

Acting Squadron Leader Clifford Farrer WESTERMAN, D.F.C. (Can/J 6650), Royal Canadian Air Force, No. 105 Squadron.

As navigator, this officer has completed a very large number of sorties, most of them demanding a high degree of skill and resolution. He has displayed exceptional keenness and devotion to duty and his ability to guide his pilot to the target without fail has contributed in a large way to the successes obtained. He has also devoted much time and care to the training of other members of the squadron with excellent results. He has set a very fine example to all.

Acting Flight Lieutenant Arnold PEARSON, D.F.C. (136721), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 7 Squadron.

This officer has completed a very large number of sorties and has continued to set the highest standard of skill and bravery. He has taken part in all the squadron's recent attacks on most heavily defended targets in Germany and has fulfilled his wireless duties with exceptional ability. His record is worthy of the greatest praise.

Distinguished Flying Cross.

Wing Commander Douglas Joyce EAYRS (26081), Royal Air Force, No. 640 Squadron.

This officer has completed numerous sorties, including 4 attacks on the capital of the German Reich. On the last of these, engine trouble