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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.

Wing Commander Rollo KINGSFORD-SMITH, D.F.C. (Aus.381) R.A.A.F. 463 (R.A.A.F.) Sqn.

Since being awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross, this officer has completed numerous sorties, several of which have been against targets in the Normandy area. He has displayed exceptional skill and his determination to complete his missions successfully has been amply demonstrated on many occasions in the face of heavy anti-aircraft opposition and fighter interference. He is a brilliant leader whose outstanding ability, untiring efforts and iron determination have contributed in a large way to the high morale and operational efficiency of the squadron.

Acting Wing Commander Arthur William DOUBLEDAY, D.F.C. (Aus.402945) R.A.A.F. 61 Sqn.

This officer has completed very many sorties on his second tour during which he has attacked such targets as Berlin, Brunswick and Leipzig in Germany and other targets in Northern France. He has displayed high qualities of leadership, great courage and unbeatable determination and much of the success of the squadron he commands can be attributed to his fine qualities which have inspired all. Both in the air and on the ground he has set an example of the highest order.

Acting Wing Commander John SIMPSON, D.F.C. (60796), R.A.F.V.R. 97 Sqn.

Wing Commander Simpson has displayed rare qualities of skill, bravery and devotion to duty. He has completed a very large number of sorties, most of them against well defended targets important to the enemy's war effort. His skill and determination throughout have earned him much success.

Squadron Leader Charles Bruce MORTON, D.F.C. (109912), R.A.F.V.R. 101 Sqn.

This officer has completed many successful sorties since being awarded a Bar to the Distinguished Flying Cross. He is a magnificent leader, whose fine fighting spirit and gallant example have inspired all. Squadron Leader Morton has displayed a rare zest for operations and his successes are an excellent testimony to his great skill, resolution and devotion to duty.

Acting Squadron Leader Harold Frederick BREAKSPEAR, D.F.C. (80824), R.A.F.V.R.

This officer has completed very many sorties during which he has attacked Berlin on 11 occasions. Within recent months, Squadron

Leader Breakspear has led his flight on numerous sorties against targets in the battle area in Normandy. By his careful planning and great skill he has played a good part in the success achieved. He is an inspiring leader, whose outstanding qualities have contributed materially to the efficiency and fine fighting spirit of the flight he commands.

Acting Squadron Leader Bernard Walter CULPIN, D.F.C. (155922), R.A.F.V.R., 405 (R.C.A.F.) Sqn.

This officer has participated in a very large number of sorties, including 16 attacks on the German capital. He has set a splendid example of keenness and devotion to duty. In addition to his operational tasks, Squadron Leader Culpin has devoted much skill and energy in training other members of the squadron with good results.

Acting Squadron Leader George Denis Scott KOESTER, D.F.C. (Can/J.8341), R.C.A.F., 105 Sqn.

This officer has displayed the highest standard of courage and determination in air operations. He is a highly skilled member of aircraft crew, whose great skill and devotion have played an important part in the success achieved. His record is most impressive.

Acting Squadron Leader Eric Douglas LEVIEN, D.F.C. (79572), R.A.F.V.R., 90 Sqn.

This officer has completed a second tour of operations and has continued to display the highest qualities of skill, courage and leadership. He has at all times displayed the greatest determination in pressing home his attacks and has achieved much success. He is a most efficient and understanding captain whose unflinching devotion to duty has set a fine example.

Acting Squadron Leader John Robert McDONALD, D.F.C. (Can/J.7978), R.C.A.F., 405 (R.C.A.F.) Sqn.

Since being awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross, this officer has completed very many sorties against a wide range of targets. He has displayed a high degree of skill, keenness and determination throughout and his example has been most inspiring. He is a very efficient and zealous flight commander and has rendered extremely valuable service in the training of other members of the squadron.

Acting Squadron Leader Anthony John MULLIGAN, D.F.C. (89770), R.A.F.V.R., 156 Sqn.

This officer has completed a very large number of sorties, involving attacks on heavily defended areas in Germany and on other more distant targets. He has at all times displayed great determination and devotion to duty. He has rendered exceptional service and has proved himself a great asset to the squadron.

Flight Lieutenant Ralph EDWARDS (115211), R.A.F.V.R., 7 Sqn.

This officer has completed a very large number of sorties, involving attacks on a wide range of targets in Germany; he has also completed several bombing missions against targets in Normandy. He is a highly skilled and fearless captain and pilot, whose fine fighting qualities have been reflected in the efficiency and determination of his crews.

Acting Flight Lieutenant Hugh Burn HAY, D.F.C. (Can/J.15707), R.C.A.F., 692 Sqn.

This officer has participated in a very large number of sorties, involving attacks on a wide variety of enemy targets. He has invariably displayed a high standard of courage and resolution. He has rendered much loyal and devoted service.

Flying Officer Nicoll Ramsay ROSS, D.F.C. (158240), R.A.F.V.R., 617 Sqn.

This officer has completed a very large number of sorties and the successes obtained are a fine testimony to his great skill, courage and resolution. He is a model captain, whose strong sense of duty, gallantry and resource have set an example of the highest order.

Distinguished Flying Cross.

Acting Squadron Leader George Percy LACE, D.F.M. (135890), R.A.F.V.R., 49 Sqn.

One night in July, 1944, this officer piloted an aircraft in an attack on St. Leu. Shortly after the bombs had been released the aircraft was attacked by a fighter. Squadron Leader Lace manoeuvred with much skill and, although the fighter attacked with persistence, it was finally driven off. In the fight the bomber had sustained damage and became difficult to control. Nevertheless, Squadron Leader Lace flew to an airfield and effected a safe landing. This officer displayed great skill, courage and coolness in harassing circumstances.

Acting Squadron Leader Bedford Donald Chase PATTERSON (Can/J.10296), R.C.A.F., 426 (R.C.A.F.) Sqn.

As captain of aircraft, Squadron Leader Patterson has participated in very many attacks on targets in Germany. On one occasion, whilst over Berlin, one wing of his aircraft caught fire and burned fiercely for some minutes. Despite this, Squadron Leader Patterson pressed home a most determined attack. On several occasions this officer has proved his skill and resource in evading enemy fighters which have attempted to close in on his aircraft. He has displayed a high standard of keenness and devotion to duty throughout.

Acting Flight Lieutenant Donald William MCGOWAN (Can/J.20070), R.C.A.F., 578 Sqn.

This officer has completed a large number of sorties, most of which have been against strongly defended targets in Germany. He has invariably displayed praiseworthy skill and courage, qualities which were amply demonstrated when he was detailed to attack a target in France in July, 1944. When crossing the enemy coast considerable anti-aircraft fire was experienced. The aircraft was repeatedly hit and a member of the crew was wounded. In spite of this, Flight Lieutenant McGowan continued to the target. His determination was characteristic of that which he has shown throughout his tour.

Flying Officer Robert Lindsay BIENVENU (Aus.410617), R.A.A.F., 49 Sqn.

This officer was the navigator of an aircraft detailed to attack St. Leu one night in July, 1944. When crossing the enemy coast on the return flight the aircraft was attacked by a fighter and sustained much damage. Flying Officer Bienvenu plotted his position with great accuracy and afterwards guided the aircraft safely home. His skill contributed materially to the safe return of the aircraft.

Flying Officer Kyle Bowering SELICK (Aus.407755), R.A.A.F., 247 Sqn.

This officer has taken part in many sorties, involving attacks on locomotives, railway sidings, mechanical transport and other targets on the ground. He has displayed the greatest keenness for operations and his determination to inflict loss on the enemy has been most evident. In June, 1944, he took part in an attack on a number of armoured vehicles in the Caen area. Before closing in, his aircraft was hit by fragments of shell. At the same time, Flying Officer Slick observed another aircraft of the formation being heavily

engaged by fire from the ground defences. Displaying great resolution he dived almost to ground level and raked the gun site with cannon shells in an effort to divert the enemy's fire. He afterwards attacked his main target in the face of much light and heavy anti-aircraft fire. His aircraft was repeatedly hit but he flew it to base and effected a masterly landing.

Flying Officer Murray SOUTER (Aus.409762), R.A.A.F., 104 Sqn.

This officer was the navigator in an aircraft detailed for a mine-laying mission recently. When nearing the target the aircraft was illuminated in a cone of searchlights and subjected to intense fire from the batteries on shore. The aircraft was repeatedly hit and Flying Officer Souter was severely wounded, sustaining fractures to the elbow and leg. Although in acute pain and suffering from the loss of blood he gave his pilot the correct course for home. Afterwards he instructed other members of the crew in the application of tourniquets and bandages to his injuries. Afterwards, by calling upon almost his last ounce of strength, he retained consciousness and continued to give advice on navigational problems until base was reached. His example of courage, fortitude and devotion to duty was of the highest order.

Acting Flying Officer Frank Francis MOLINAS (Aus.425454), R.A.A.F., 619 Sqn.

This officer was the pilot of an aircraft detailed to attack a target in Northern France one night in July, 1944. In the bombing run the aircraft was attacked by a fighter and sustained much damage. The port engine was put out of action, several large holes were torn in one of the wings and the ailerons were damaged. Some of the pilot's instruments were shattered, whilst Flying Officer Molinas himself was slightly wounded. In spite of this, he manoeuvred to a good position from which his gunners were able to engage the enemy aircraft effectively. Following their good shooting the attacker was seen to turn on its back and then dive steeply apparently out of control. Flying Officer Molinas then executed a successful bombing attack and afterwards flew the damaged aircraft to base. This officer set a fine example of skill, courage and resolution.

Pilot Officer John BELLOCK (Aus.410140), R.A.A.F., 40 Sqn.

This officer has successfully attacked a wide range of enemy targets. He has displayed the highest standard of skill and gallantry, qualities which were amply demonstrated in two recent attacks on enemy air fields. On the first of these, strong fighter opposition was encountered. His aircraft was attacked by a Junkers 88 but Pilot Officer Bellock out-manoeuvred the attacker which was shot down. This officer afterwards pressed home a brilliant attack on the target and obtained an excellent photograph. Pilot Officer Bellock is an outstanding captain.

Pilot Officer Arthur Thomas BOSWELL (177760), R.A.F.V.R., 49 Sqn.

This officer was the pilot and captain of an aircraft detailed for a mine-laying mission one night in July, 1944. When approaching the target area much searchlight activity was experienced and the aircraft came under intense fire from the shore batteries. In spite of this, Pilot Officer Boswell released his mines in the prescribed area. In the execution of his task, which demanded the highest standard of skill, Pilot Officer Boswell displayed great bravery and devotion to duty. Some days later this officer flew with distinction in a successful attack on an enemy air field.

Pilot Officer John Anthony Bathurst MALVERN (173917), R.A.F.V.R., 578 Sqn.

Pilot Officer Malvern has completed a notable tour of operations during which he has displayed exceptional skill and determination in attacking heavily defended targets. Not once has he failed to complete his allotted task and the photographs he has taken are a good proof of the accuracy of his bombing. He is a most capable captain, whose personal example has inspired all with whom he has flown.

Pilot Officer Philip John Tudor PILE (Aus.420416), R.A.A.F., 104 Sqn.

This officer has completed numerous sorties and has invariably displayed a high standard of skill and bravery. One night in July, 1944, he participated in a mine-laying mission. When approaching the target area considerable searchlight activity

and intense anti-aircraft fire was encountered. Despite this Pilot Officer Pile held to a steady course and dropped his mines in the specific area. His skill and determination on this occasion were typical of that which he has invariably displayed.

Warrant Officer Vincent Rex JAMIESON (N.Z.416431), R.N.Z.A.F., 149 Sqn.

As rear gunner this airman has completed a large number of sorties, involving attacks on such targets as Dortmund, Dusseldorf and Berlin. On one occasion when over the last named target, Warrant Officer Jamieson destroyed 2 enemy fighters. On another occasion, en route to an enemy target, this rear gunner sighted an enemy aircraft closing in. He promptly gave his pilot the necessary control manoeuvre and then opened fire. His bullets struck the fighter which caught fire. The mid-upper-gunner then opened fire and almost immediately the enemy aircraft exploded in the air. Warrant Officer Jamieson is a highly skilled and resolute gunner, whose fine fighting qualities and unflinching devotion to duty have won great praise.

Distinguished Flying Cross.

Flight Lieutenant Vivian BRIDGES (124625), R.A.F.V.R., 239 Sqn.

Distinguished Flying Medal.

1586841 Flight Sergeant Donald Gerald WEBB, R.A.F.V.R., 239 Sqn.

As pilot and observer respectively, this officer and airman have proved themselves to be highly skilled and resolute members of aircraft crew. They have completed numerous sorties and have destroyed 4 enemy aircraft at night. In the last of these fights, Flight Lieutenant Bridges pressed home his attack from close range. Following his accurate bursts of fire the enemy machine exploded in the air. The British aircraft was struck by flying debris. One engine caught fire and the aircraft temporarily went out of control. With great presence of mind, Flight Sergeant Webb feathered the burning engine whilst his pilot fought to regain control. Considerable height was lost before Flight Lieutenant Bridges succeeded in getting the aircraft on an even keel. Although one engine was useless he flew the aircraft to base. This officer and airman have invariably displayed commendable coolness and courage.

Distinguished Flying Medal.

Aus.409977, Flight Sergeant John Allan CAMERON, R.A.A.F., 104 Sqn.

This airman has completed many sorties and throughout has set a fine example of efficiency, resolution and zeal. He is a first class captain, whose determination to complete his missions successfully has won much praise. One night in July, 1944, Flight Sergeant Cameron participated in a mine-laying mission. Undeterred by intense light anti-aircraft fire which was directed at his aircraft, this resolute pilot maintained a steady run-in and laid his mines in the area as planned. He displayed the highest standard of skill and gallantry.

Aus.410183, Flight Sergeant Kenneth Sydney TROLLOPE, R.A.A.F., 104 Sqn.

This officer has displayed notable skill, courage and keenness in air operations. He has completed a large number of sorties, involving attacks on a variety of targets. One night in July, 1944, he piloted an aircraft detailed for a mine-laying mission. In spite of intense light anti-aircraft fire, Flight Sergeant Trollope maintained a steady run-in and laid his mines in the prescribed area. A few days later, this airman took part in an attack on an enemy airfield and his skilful and resolute efforts contributed materially to the successes obtained.

1609273 Sergeant Terence Frederick FROGLEY, R.A.F.V.R., 619 Sqn.

In July, 1944, this airman was the rear gunner of an aircraft detailed to attack a target near Paris. Whilst over the target area the aircraft was engaged by a fighter. Early in the fight the bomber was struck by the enemy's bullets. The intercommunication system was rendered useless and the mid-upper turret was hit and its occupant wounded; the rear turret was also damaged and could only be operated manually. Despite this, Sergeant Frogley used his guns with excellent

effect causing the enemy aircraft to break away with smoke pouring from it. After the target had been bombed, the aircraft was twice engaged by enemy aircraft but Sergeant Frogley drove them off. This airman displayed high skill and great resolution, qualities which contributed materially to the safe return of the aircraft.

Can/R.206488 Sergeant Douglas Cregar HARKNESS, R.C.A.F., 426 (R.C.A.F.) Sqn.

This airman has participated in numerous sorties and has proved himself to be a resolute and devoted member of aircraft crew. On one occasion he was the mid-upper gunner of an aircraft detailed to attack a target in Northern France. Whilst over the target area the aircraft sustained extensive damage and dived steeply out of control. Considerable height was lost. The captain ordered the crew to leave by parachute as he fought to regain control. Sergeant Harkness stayed with his captain, however, who succeeded in levelling out. He afterwards flew the crippled aircraft back to this country being greatly aided by Sergeant Harkness whose navigational assistance was of immense value. This airman displayed praiseworthy courage, coolness and determination throughout.

Can/R.165361 Sergeant Donald Ralph McEvoy, R.C.A.F., 425 (R.C.A.F.) Sqn.

In June, 1944, this airman was the mid-upper gunner of an aircraft detailed to attack an enemy target. On the return flight the bomber was attacked by a fighter. Sergeant McEvoy defended his aircraft with great skill and his accurate bursts of fire caused the destruction of the attacker. Some nights later, Sergeant McEvoy shot down another enemy aircraft after a spirited fight. This airman has proved himself to be a gallant and determined member of aircraft crew.

1820952 Sergeant Cecil Alexander MATTHEWS, R.A.F.V.R., 425 (R.C.A.F.) Sqn.

One night in June, 1944, this airman was the flight engineer of an aircraft detailed to attack an enemy target. During the operation the bomber was struck by bullets from a fighter and the pilot was fatally wounded. He was carefully removed from his seat by the bomb aimer and Sergeant Matthews. The latter then took over the controls. Although untrained for such responsibilities he flew the aircraft to an airfield and a safe landing was made at the third attempt. In the effort to bring the bomber down safely, Sergeant Matthews himself worked the controls governing the throttle, the flaps and the undercarriage. His coolness and resource in the face of a difficult and dangerous situation were worthy of the greatest praise.

Can/R.110337 Sergeant Derek James WEBB, R.C.A.F., 426 (R.C.A.F.) Sqn.

This airman has displayed a high standard of skill, courage and devotion to duty. At the commencement of his operational tour, Sergeant Webb was involved in two most trying incidents. Nevertheless, his keenness remained unabated and he has since taken part in many successful sorties. He is a flight engineer of high merit.

Air Ministry, 29th August, 1944.

The KING has been graciously pleased to approve the following awards.

Distinguished Service Order.

Acting Wing Commanders.

Michael Evelyn POLLARD, D.F.C., A.F.C. (41615), R.A.F.O., 107 Sqn.

Peter James SIMPSON, D.F.C. (41875), R.A.F.O.

Squadron Leader.

Edward Michael GOODALE (25128), R.A.F., 16 Sqn.

Flight Lieutenant.

Derek Aldwin GRANT (68811), R.A.F.V.R.

Bar to Distinguished Flying Cross.

Acting Wing Commander.

Jack Sylvester ADAMS, D.F.C. (37728), R.A.F.O., 226 Sqn.

Distinguished Flying Cross.

Wing Commander.

Richard Ian Mallafont BOWEN (25118), R.A.F., 140 Squadron.

Acting Wing Commander.

Roland Henry WINFIELD, A.F.C., M.B., Ch.B.
(23411), R.A.F.O.

Acting Squadron Leaders.

Peter Roderic CLAPHAM (74451), R.A.F.V.R.
Kenneth Richard Wilson EAGER, A.F.C. (63838),
R.A.F.V.R., 98 Sqn.

Flight Lieutenants.

Clifford James BEER (64293), R.A.F.V.R., 69 Sqn.
Eric Gwynne Edwards PARRY (124574), R.A.F.V.R.,
140 Sqn.
William Edward RANDALL (124542), R.A.F.V.R.,
140 Sqn.
Joseph Valentine RILEY (112763), R.A.F.V.R.,
140 Sqn.
William SHEARMAN (121376), R.A.F.V.R., 140 Sqn.
Raymond Gerard SMITH (112402), R.A.F.V.R.,
257 Sqn.
Arthur George TODD (119873), R.A.F.V.R., 164 Sqn.

Acting Flight Lieutenant.

John Gordon BISHOP (31204), R.A.F.O., 140 Sqn.

Flying Officer.

David Simpson NOBLE (129180), R.A.F.V.R., 459
(R.A.A.F.) Sqn.

Pilot Officer.

Dennis PARRISH (176203), R.A.F.V.R., 98 Sqn.

Distinguished Flying Medal.

Flight Sergeant.
1335505 Leonard RICHARDSON, R.A.F.V.R., 197 Sqn.

ROYAL AUSTRALIAN AIR FORCE.

*Distinguished Flying Cross.**Flying Officer.*

John Bligh SUTTOR (Aus.411969), 16 Sqn.

ROYAL CANADIAN AIR FORCE

*Distinguished Flying Cross.**Acting Flight Lieutenant.*

Thomas Anthony BRANNAGAN (Can/J.10762),
441 (R.C.A.F.) Sqn.

Flying Officer.

Gordon Henry FARQUHARSON (Can/J.15976), 416
(R.C.A.F.) Sqn.

The above awards are in recognition of gallantry
and devotion to duty in the execution of air
operations.

Air Ministry, 29th August, 1944.

The KING has granted unrestricted permission for
the wearing of the undermentioned decorations, con-
ferred upon the personnel indicated, in recognition
of valuable services rendered in connection with the
war:—

CONFERRED BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE
CZECHOSLOVAK REPUBLIC.*Silver Medal of Merit (1st Class).*

Flight Lieutenant Leo Dorey FORD (82278),
R.A.F.V.R.
Flight Lieutenant Francis William MERRIN (68263),
R.A.F.V.R.
Flight Lieutenant Fleming Voltelin VAN DER BIJL
(65685), R.A.F.V.R.
Flight Lieutenant Alfred WALSHAM (86942),
R.A.F.V.R.
Acting Flight Lieutenant William Percival JOWETT
(107471), R.A.F.V.R.
Acting Flight Lieutenant John William Elsworth
PARSONS (60227), R.A.F.V.R.
Acting Flight Lieutenant Sefton Campbell
Inglefield TAGGART (61588), R.A.F.V.R.
Flying Officer Francis Porten BLENCOWE (115102),
R.A.F.V.R.
1421800 Leading Aircraftman Joseph Edward
WALKER, R.A.F.V.R.

Bronze Medal of Merit (2nd Class).

346580 Flight Sergeant George HARDY, R.A.F.
560921 Flight Sergeant Robert Reginald SKINNER,
R.A.F.
873131 Corporal Mervyn Albert BRACEY, A.A.F.
1258055 Corporal Sidney Walter RIDDELL,
R.A.F.V.R.

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