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### TUESDAY, 21st MAY 1963

#### CENTRAL CHANCERY OF THE ORDERS OF KNIGHTHOOD

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

21st May 1963.

The QUBEN has been graciously pleased to approve the award of the British Empire Medal for Gallantry (Millitary Division) to the undermentioned:

23923263 Trooper Michael Edward Downs, 14/20th King's Hussars.

King's Hussars. At 9.30 p.m. on 25th November 1962, Trooper Downs and a companion were walking along the Promenade at Blackpool when they saw an old man supporting himself by the sea wall. After passing the man they then heard the sound of groaning and splashing coming from the sea. Trooper Downs saw the old man in the water, being carried away from the wall. The tide was fairly high, the sea choppy and there was a heavy swell; it was also very foggy. Trooper Downs, after telling his companion to tele-phone for assistance and removing some of his clothing, dived into the sea and swam towards the man who was now about 50 yards from the sea wall. After a strenuous struggle in the rough water Trooper Downs succeeded in holding the man up wall. After a strenuoue struggle in the rough water Trooper Downs succeeded in holding the man up with his right hand and started to swim back by breast stroke with his left hand. This was extremely difficult owing to the weight of the man's dothing, but after a great effort he managed to reach the sea wall. Here Trooper Downs dragged the man towards the steps where he was able to pull him almost clear of the water and support him until the arrival of an ambulance. Unfortunately the man died on the way to the hospital. Trooper Downs displayed, in the face of forbidding conditions, great gallantry and determination in his efforts to rescue a fellow man.

#### WAR OFFICE

21st May 1963.

Brig. William Michael Eastwood WHITE, O.B.E., B.A., late R.A.S.C., is appointed Aide-de-Camp to The QUEEN, 20th May 1963, in succession to Brig. Rupert Crowdy CROWDY, O.B.E., retired.

REGULAR ARMY Brig. R. C. CROWDY, O.B.E. (51288), late R.A.S.C., retires on retired pay, 20th May 1963. Brig. J. CLABBY, O.B.E., M.R.C.V.S. (57804), late R.A.V.C., retires on retired pay, 20th May 1963.

Col. J. DUTTON, M.I.E.E. (169514), late R.E.M.E., retires on retired pay, 1st May 1963. (Substituted for the notifn. in Gazette (Supple-ment) dated 30th Apr. 1963.)

#### HOUSEHOLD CAVALRY

L.G.

REGULAR ARMY Short Serv. Commn. 2nd Lt. R. I. MURRAY (471610) relinquishes his commn., 21st May 1963.

#### ROYAL ARMOURED CORPS

#### 14/20 H.

**REGULAR ARMY RESERVE OF OFFICERS** Lt.-Col. R. J. STEPHEN, M.B.E. (42481), having attained the age limit, ceases to belong to the Res. of Offrs., 19th May 1963.

#### R.A.C.

REGULAR ARMY

Short Serv. Commns. The undermentioned 2nd Lts. to be Lts., 19th May 1963:

A. C. SINCLAIR (469479).

M. J. D. CLARK (469480).

D. A. GREENWOOD (469481).

D. B. GUNDRY (469482).

TERRITORIAL ARMY RESERVE OF OFFICERS Capt. (Hon. Maj.) J. D. WIGHAM, M.C. (90553), having exceeded the age limit, ceases to belong to the T.A. Res. of Offrs., 22nd May 1963, retaining the hon mole of Mai the hon. rank of Maj.

#### W.W.Y.

TERRITORIAL ARMY RESERVE OF OFFICERS Lt. T. J. M. GOODWIN (437387) from Active List, to be Lt., 18th Mar. 1963.

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TERRITORIAL ARMY RESERVE OF OFFICERS Maj. (Hon. Lt.-Col.) P. H. D. RYDER, M.B.E. (52850), having exceeded the age limit, ceases to belong to the T.A. Res. of Offrs., 22nd May 1963, retaining the hon. rank of Lt.-Col.

Maj. S. P. SMITH, T.D. (63843), having ex-ceeded the age limit, ceases to belong to the T.A. Res. of Offrs., 22nd May 1963, retaining the rank of Maj.

Capt. P. J. SYKES (425716) from Active List, to be Capt., 23rd Mar. 1963.

#### S.R.Y.

TERRITORIAL ARMY RESERVE OF OFFICERS Capt. (Hon. Maj.) S. MITCHELL, M.C., T.D. (86775), having exceeded the age limit, ceases to belong to the T.A. Res. of Offrs., 22nd May 1963, retaining the hon. rank of Maj.