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FRIDAY, 3RD JANUARY 1964

State Intelligence

Clarence House,
St. James's, London S.W.1.
3rd January 1964.

Major Sir Ralph Hugo Anstruther, Bt., M.C., Treasurer and Equerry to Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother, relinquishes his appointment as Assistant Private Secretary to Her Majesty.

Captain Alastair Sturgis Aird relinquishes his appointment as Equerry (Temporary) to Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother and is appointed Assistant Private Secretary and Extra Equerry to Her Majesty.

QUEEN ELIZABETH THE QUEEN MOTHER has been pleased to appoint Captain David John McMicking, The Black Watch (Royal Highland Regiment) to be an Equerry (Temporary) to Her Majesty.

The appointments to date from the 1st January 1964.

HONOURS AND AWARDS

CENTRAL CHANCERY OF THE ORDERS OF KNIGHTHOOD

St. James's Palace, London S.W.1.
3rd January 1964.

The QUEEN has been graciously pleased to give orders for the undermentioned award.

Awarded a Bar to the George Medal
(dated 25th December 1963)

George Henderson, G.M. (since deceased), Senior Assistant Adviser, High Commission for Aden and the Protectorate of South Arabia.

The British High Commissioner for Aden and the Federation of South Arabia, and a party of Government Ministers and Officials, were assembled at Aden Airport when a bomb was thrown from a balcony. It landed near the official party. Just as the bomb exploded Henderson hurled himself forward and took the full blast in his chest. By doing so he saved the life of the High Commissioner who escaped with a slight hand injury. One woman was killed and thirty-nine people were injured. Henderson showed complete disregard for his own safety.

PRIVY COUNCIL OFFICE

At the Court at *Buckingham Palace* the 20th day of December 1963.

PRESENT,

The QUEEN's Most Excellent Majesty in Council
Whereas there was this day read at the Board a Memorial from the Right Honourable the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, dated the 16th day of December 1963 (MAN 735/1/63) in the words following, viz.:

"Whereas by section 3 of the Naval and Marine Pay and Pensions Act, 1865, it is enacted, inter alia, that all pay and pensions or other allowances in the nature thereof, payable in respect of Your Majesty's Naval or Marine Forces to a person being or having been an Officer, Seaman or Marine therein, shall be paid in such manner and subject to such restrictions, conditions and provisions as are from time to time directed by Order in Council;

"And whereas we are of the opinion that the more sophisticated messing procedures now being increasingly applied throughout Your Majesty's Fleet necessitate the institution of a Caterer Branch; and that consequent on the introduction of such a Branch we are of the opinion that a re-organisation of the Stores Branch procedures will lead to economies;

"We humbly beg leave to recommend that Your Majesty may be graciously pleased by your Order in Council to sanction the introduction of the following ratings to be paid the normal rates of pay and allowances applicable to naval ratings, namely

"Caterer Branch

Chief Petty Officer Caterer
Petty Officer Caterer

"and

"Stores Accountant Branch

Chief Petty Officer Stores Accountant
Petty Officer Stores Accountant
Leading Stores Accountant
Stores Accountant
Probationary Stores Accountant
Junior Stores Accountant.

"The Lords Commissioners of Your Majesty's Treasury have signified their concurrence in these proposals."

Her Majesty, having taken the said Memorial into consideration, was pleased, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, to approve of what is therein proposed.

And the Right Honourable the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty are to give the necessary directions herein accordingly.

W. G. Agnew.