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CENTRAL CHANCERY OF THE ORDERS OF KNIGHTHOOD

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

7th November 1967.

The QUEEN has been graciously pleased to give orders for the following appointment to the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire:

To be an Additional Member of the Military Division of the said Most Excellent Order for Gallantry:

Lieutenant Stephen Gardiner AUSTIN, Royal Navy.

On Tuesday, 11th April 1967 while at sea, a fire broke out in the bilge of B Boiler Room of H.M.S. EAGLE.

Intense heat was generated and the surrounding decks and bulkheads soon became red hot and the boiler room itself full of flames, smoke and acrid fumes.

Lieutenant Austin the Officer-in-Charge of the Machinery Unit, entered the boiler room without any personal protection to investigate the situation but was driven out by the heat and fumes. After donning protective clothing he re-entered the boiler room on no less than four subsequent occasions and his clear and accurate reports were largely responsible for the fire being brought under control and extinguished within four hours.

Lieutenant Austin's coolness, endurance and professional application in the face of great personal danger was an inspiration to all and in accord with the highest traditions of the Service.

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

Petty Officer Ordnance Electrician Terence John LATHAM, D.052401.

Petty Officer Latham assisted with distinction and outstanding coolness in limiting and extinguishing the serious electrical fire which broke out at sea on board H.M.S. EAGLE on 11th April 1967.

Without protective clothing and in spite of the fact that molten lead, pitch, oil and burning insulation were dropping from the deckhead cables as a physical danger, he investigated a secondary outbreak in a limited access hatch filled with smoke and steam. Appreciating the danger from high power cables he took immediate steps to prevent salt water being applied in their area and to ensure that the cables were isolated electrically as far as possible. He then returned to direct and assist in extinguishing cable fires.

His prompt action and leadership over a period of three hours undoubtedly localised the damage and prevented personal injury.

ROYAL NAVY

Surgn. Lt.-Cdr. A. M. MACGILLIVRAY, M.B., Ch.B., D.Ph., D.Obst.R.C.O.G., placed on Emerg'y. List on completion of Short Service Commission for period of 4 years. 26th Oct. 1967.

Surgn. Lt. D. BANKS, M.B., Ch.B., placed on Emerg'y. List on completion of Short Service Commission for period of 4 years. 24th Oct. 1967.

Lt. C. M. J. CARSON, promoted Lt.-Cdr. with seny. 1st Nov. 1967.

Actg. Lt. J. S. CHESTNUTT, promoted Lt. 1st Oct. 1967, with seny. 1st Jul. 1966.

Instr. Lt. R. AYER, promoted Instr. Lt.-Cdr. with seny. 28th Oct. 1967.

Instr. Lt. J. C. C. ONYETT, B.Sc., to be placed on Emerg'y. List on completion of Short Service Commission for period of 4 years. 12th Nov. 1967.

Grant of 5 year Short Service Commission to Surgn. Lt. R. M. COUCH, M.B., Ch.B., on 16th Jul. 1967, with seny. 16th Jul. 1967, confirmed on completion of training. 16th Oct. 1967.

Grant of 5 year Short Service Commission to Surgn. Lt. N. G. ROBERTS, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., on 16th Jul. 1967 with seny. 16th July 1967, confirmed on completion of training. 16th Oct. 1967.

Grant of 5 year Short Service Commission to Surgn. Lt. R. D. COLE, M.B., B.Ch., on 4th Sep. 1967, with seny. 4th Sep. 1967, to be confirmed on completion of training. 12th Nov. 1967.

Wdmstr. Lt. D. R. JAMES, to be placed on Retired List. 11th Nov. 1967.

Sub Lt. R. W. H. PAYNE, promoted Lt., 21st Aug. 1967, with seny. 1st Jul. 1967.