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FRIDAY, 2ND APRIL 1971

AUTHORISED SCALE OF CHARGES FOR NOTICES AND ADVERTISEMENTS INCREASE IN RATES FROM 1st APRIL 1971

As from the issue of the London Gazette dated 1st April 1971, all notices in the following classifications are being charged at 75p.

(a) Notices under the Companies Act, 1948:

(i) Notice of Appointment of Liquidator pursuant to section 305 of the Act and the Companies (Forms) Order, 1949 (S.I. 1949 No. 382); Notice of Advertisement of Petition pursuant to Rule 28 of the Companies (Winding-up) Rules, 1949 (S.I. 1949 No. 330).

(b) Notices pursuant to the Friendly Societies Act, 1896 and the Industrial and Provident Societies Act, 1965.

State Intelligence

HONOURS AND AWARDS

CENTRAL CHANCERY OF THE ORDERS OF KNIGHTHOOD

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

2nd April 1971.

The QUEEN has been graciously pleased on the advice of Her Majesty's Australian Ministers, to approve the award of the British Empire Medal for Gallantry (Military Division) to the undermentioned:

(To be dated 1st April 1971)

Private Gerrard ACQUARO (3796544), Royal Australian Army Service Corps.

On the night of 16th December 1970, a fire broke out in the 21 Construction Squadron Workshops, Royal Australian Electrical and Mechanical Engineers, at Puckapunyal, Victoria. The building, which contained bottled industrial gases, was burning fiercely when the first personnel arrived on the scene, one of whom was Private Acquaro.

Several items of wheeled plant were parked in close proximity to the blazing building, including a

wheeled machinery truck worth many thousands of dollars. Due to the intense heat and flames from the building the machinery truck caught fire.

With complete disregard for his personal safety and at grave personal risk, Private Acquaro entered the hot, smoke filled cabin of the burning vehicle and attempted to drive it away from the building.

Unable to start the vehicle through a mechanical failure, Private Acquaro was forced, by the smoke and heat, from the vehicle.

Another vehicle was then started and brought close to the machinery vehicle, whereupon Private Acquaro unhesitatingly returned to the cabin of the machinery truck; displaying exceptional bravery under extremely hazardous and frightening conditions, he remained in the cabin whilst the vehicle was pulled clear of the building. He then continued to assist in saving the other vehicles in danger and remained to fight the fire until the situation was completely under control.

Through his bravery and devotion to duty far beyond what might be expected of his rank, Private Acquaro was directly responsible for saving the machinery truck, assisted in saving the vehicles, and proved to be an inspiration to all who were fighting the fire.