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The QUEEN has been graciously pleased to give orders for the undermentioned appointment to the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire, for the following awards of the British Empire Medal and for the publication in the *London Gazette* of the names of those specially shown below as having received an expression of Commendation for Brave Conduct.

To be an additional Member of the Civil Division of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire for Gallantry :

Kenneth John MAYNARD, Senior Second Engineer, ss "Esso Cardiff", Esso Petroleum Company Limited.

A tanker with a cargo of over 47,000 long tons of crude oil was at sea when a coupling fractured on the high pressure turbine causing it to disintegrate and fling large pieces of metal about the engine room. The lubricating oil pipes were broken and about 1,600 gallons of oil flowed at an increasing rate on to the hot metal and spontaneously ignited. Within seconds the engine room became an inferno of dense smoke and flames of such intensity that they reached a height of 50 feet above the 60 feet high skylights of the engine room. Mr. Maynard, who was on watch at the time, immediately sounded the general alarm and despite the holocaust raging around him, he calmly remained at his post and closed the ahead manoeuvring valve to take the way off the vessel. He then attempted to open the astern manoeuvring steam valve, and remained until his position became untenable. He barely escaped with his life through a watertight door, which was being held partly open by his watchmates. Even so he suffered burns to his wrist and forearm. The ship's firefighting parties were mustered, all emergency services put into

action and the whole contents of a smothering apparatus discharged into the engine room. Later an inspection revealed that a number of small fires were still burning in the upper parts, while a large fire was still raging around the high pressure turbine. Mr. Maynard wearing a self-contained breathing apparatus, entered the upper part of the engine room under conditions of intense heat and nearly zero visibility and played spray hoses on the small fires which were successfully extinguished.

Awarded the British Empire Medal for Gallantry (Civil Division) :

George BLACK, Constable, Metropolitan Police.
John Michael MOGFORD, Constable, Metropolitan Police.

Ronald Airey Croll TURNBULL, lately Constable, Metropolitan Police.

Constables Mogford, Black and Turnbull, all in plain clothes, were keeping observation on a lock-up garage, which contained a stolen car, when three men arrived in a car and started tampering with the garage padlock. The officers approached the three men and informed them that they were police officers. One man immediately struck out at Constable Turnbull and pulled a gun from his right-hand coat pocket but Constable Turnbull knocked the gun from his hand. In the struggle which followed the man managed to regain possession of the gun, but Turnbull pinned him to the ground with the weapon underneath him thereby preventing its use. In the meantime Constables Mogford and Black were struggling with the other two men. One broke free and ran away, but Constable Mogford chased and caught him and sat astride him on the ground. Constable Black pulled down the third man, whereupon he punched the officer on the cheek stunning him. This man then went to Constable Turnbull and felled the officer with a heavy blow on the head. Constable Black who had recovered, managed to arm himself with a chair and went after his assailant, who was now making for Constable Mogford, and