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Maj. & Bt. Lt.-Col. C. ALEXANDER, M.B.E. (349440) (Res. of Offrs., Class I, Q.O.H.) at his own request reverts to the rank of Lt., 1st Oct. 1971, with seniority 19th Dec. 1947.

2nd Lt. M. P. PITMAN (488650) (on probation) is confirmed as 2nd Lt., 15th Oct. 1969. To be Lt., 15th Oct. 1971, with seniority 15th Oct. 1969.

2nd Lt. C. H. FRANKLIN (488588) (on probation) is confirmed as 2nd Lt., 15th Oct. 1969. To be Lt., 15th Oct. 1971.

2nd Lt. R. A. NUTTALL (488590) (on probation) is confirmed as 2nd Lt., 15th Oct. 1969. To be Lt., 15th Oct. 1971.

AIR FORCE DEPARTMENT

Whitehall, London, SW1A 2HB.

2nd November 1971.

The QUEEN has been graciously pleased to approve the following award:

Queen's Commendation for Brave Conduct

H8008019 Junior Technician Damien Francis O'REILLY, Royal Air Force.

For his brave and determined efforts to extinguish a fire on the wing of a Lightning aircraft, while on detachment in Denmark. Although the wing was almost totally covered in burning fuel and contained about 350 gallons of fuel, he climbed onto it without hesitation or regard for his own safety, in order to use the fire extinguisher. By the time the airfield fire service arrived, he had succeeded not only in containing the fire, but in reducing its area.

2nd November 1971.

ROYAL AIR FORCE**GENERAL DUTIES BRANCH***Appointment to Commission (Permanent)**As Flight Lieutenant :*

John Anthony CLOSE (4230394). 16th Sep. 1971.

*Promotion**Flying Officer to Flight Lieutenant :*

R. L. DIXON, B.Sc. (5201196). 2nd Nov. 1971.

Pilot Officer to Flying Officer :

D. J. BAILEY (690537). 27th Oct. 1971.

31st Oct. 1971

A. D. BERRIDGE (8025185).

S. P. DEVINE (8025189).

G. DICKINSON (8025171).

J. S. KIRK (8022682).

R. W. H. NORTH (8025184).

M. D. TONES (8025195).

*Specialist Aircrew**Flight Lieutenants designated Specialist Aircrew :*

Francis Arthur DEBELLE (503703). 1st Sep. 1970.

Thomas John JEREMY (2538857). 7th Sep. 1970.

Robin Harold TAYLER (3130000). 8th Sep. 1970.

John William ELMITT (4064815). 5th Dec. 1970.

Nigel Terence GARDNER (3512689). 29th Dec. 1970.

Restoration of Seniority

The seniority of Flight Lieutenant R. H. CHAPMAN (4108942) is restored to 17th Aug. 1958, with effect from 3rd Jul. 1971. (*Substituted for Notification in London Gazette 28th Sep. 1971*).

Transfer between Branches

Pilot Officer R. S. GARDNER (8025361) has transferred to a permanent commission in the General Duties (Ground) Branch in existing rank. 2nd Aug. 1971. (*Seniority 22nd Nov. 1970.*)

Pilot Officer S. V. MARTIN, B.Sc. (8020827), has transferred to the Engineer Branch in existing rank and seniority 25th Aug. 1971.

*Transfer to the Reserve**Flight Lieutenants :*

A. F. THOMSON (4230695). 1st Oct. 1971.

S. F. O'BRIAIN (4232109). 8th Oct. 1971.

Forfeiture of Seniority

Flying Officer P. M. BEGLAN (4231729) is to take rank and precedence in the rank of Flying Officer as if his appointment to that rank bore date 13th Dec. 1968.

Retirement

Air Commodore B. C. BENNETT, A.F.C. 25th Oct. 1971.

Wing Commander A. M. K. PHILLIPS (33275). 21st Oct. 1971.

Squadron Leader R. ANDREWS, B.A. (2608296). 18th Oct. 1971.

Flight Lieutenants :

C. J. WILMOT (607578). 1st Oct. 1971.

R. G. FORTEY (3136993). 11th Oct. 1971.

D. J. STUART (586160). 16th Oct. 1971.

B. D. LEAK (582563). 20th Oct. 1971.

Flight Lieutenant G. G. BAYLISS, D.F.C., A.F.C. (506808) (on account of medical unfitness for Air Force service). 19th Sep. 1971. (*Substituted for Notification in London Gazette 28th Sep. 1971*).

Flight Lieutenant I. E. D. MONTGOMERIE (608046) (at own request). 30th Sep. 1971.

Commission Terminated

Pilot Officer R. J. MACGIRR (5201459). 24th Sep. 1971.

GENERAL DUTIES (GROUND) BRANCH*Promotion**Pilot Officer to Flying Officer :*

D. S. EVANS (8022592). 2nd Nov. 1971.

Retirement

Flying Officer P. A. TAME (4232769). 1st Oct. 1971.

ENGINEER BRANCH*Promotion**Flying Officer to Flight Lieutenant :*

P. J. BRIDLE (584699). 21st Oct. 1971.

M. R. POND (681614). 31st Oct. 1971.

Pilot Officer to Flying Officer :

S. M. HUGHES (5201644). 7th Aug. 1971.

2nd Nov. 1971

D. FEATHERSTONE (5201703).

I. A. HOOD (2619524).

P. D. BRAUN (8022605).

J. W. C. THOMPSON (8022609).

Retirement

Squadron Leader J. H. MITCHELL (638719) (at own request). 30th Sep. 1971.

Flight Lieutenants (at own request) :

2nd Oct. 1971

P. E. CARN (570735).

L. P. MARTIN, B.E.M. (567726).

SUPPLY BRANCH*Appointment to Commission (Permanent)**As Squadron Leaders :*

22nd Aug. 1971

Brian Thomas Arthur FRENCH (5201767).

Bernard George SHARP, M.B.C.S. (3501059).

*Promotion**Flying Officer to Flight Lieutenant :*

H. R. BUTCHER (3524206). 31st Oct. 1971.

*Notification Amended**Transfer between Branches*

London Gazette, 31st Aug. 1971 concerning Acting Pilot Officer C. A. LANNEN (8020973). This notification should be inserted under **SECRETARIAL BRANCH**.

Retirement

Squadron Leader G. K. KING, D.F.C. (133708) (at own request). 28th Sep. 1971.