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## HONOURS AND AWARDS

### CENTRAL CHANCERY OF THE ORDERS OF KNIGHTHOOD

St. James's Palace, London S.W.1.  
31st July 1973.

The QUEEN has been graciously pleased to give orders for the following awards of the George Medal and for publication in the *London Gazette* of the names of those specially shown below as having received an expression of Commendation for Brave Conduct.

#### *George Medal*

Shiu-kay LEUNG, Station Officer, Fire Services Department, Hong Kong.

Following continuous and heavy rain for a period of 3 days, a large landslide occurred in a steeply sloping residential area on Hong Kong Island, causing the total collapse of a 12-storey block of flats. The occupants were buried in the rubble of the building and mud from the landslide and the final death toll was 67. During the rescue operation Mr. Leung was actively engaged in tunnelling under the debris to reach a casualty who was trapped. Due to the very limited access it was only possible to work with hand equipment in teams of two to create an unshored tunnel of approximately 24 inches in diameter, which

eventually extended 30 feet into the debris and at all times there was imminent danger of a further landslide. The rescue operation took 13 hours and Mr. Leung spent a total of 7½ hours under the debris although fully aware that there was little likelihood of survival if the rubble moved or a further landslide occurred. During the complete operation he re-entered the tunnel on numerous occasions until the entombed person had been rescued and displayed courage of a very high order and a complete disregard for his own safety.

#### *Queen's Commendation for Brave Conduct*

Terence Arthur BERRELOTH, Civil Engineer, Hong Kong.  
Shu-shing CHEUNG, Divisional Officer, Fire Services Department, Hong Kong.

Sui-to HUNG, Fireman, Fire Services Department, Hong Kong.

Kim KONG, Principal Fireman, Fire Services Department, Hong Kong.

Chuen Li, Fireman, Fire Services Department, Hong Kong.

John Dominic MORAN, Assistant Divisional Officer, Fire Services Department.

Guy Sanderson SHIRRA, Senior Inspector, Hong Kong Police Force.

Hin-kwing TSUI, Station Officer, Fire Services Department, Hong Kong.

For rescue services following a landslide disaster in Hong Kong.

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