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

Awarded the George Medal

Raymond Peter KIFF, Constable, Metropolitan Police.

Awarded the Queen's Gallantry Medal

Peter Anthony CHALK, Engineer, Post Office.
Joseph STEPHEN (Deceased), Lately Railway Motorman,
London Transport Executive.

On 15th March 1976 at 4.45 p.m. a terrorist bomb exploded in the leading carriage of a Metropolitan Line train injuring a number of passengers.

Following the explosion the train stopped and a man was seen to jump from the damaged coach on to the track and Mr. Stephen, who was the driver of the train, was seen to alight from the driver's cab. Mr. Stephen then moved towards the front of the train where he waved his arms to signal to an oncoming train on another track to stop. As he did this he came face to face with the man who, after altercation, raised a gun and shot Mr. Stephen who fell mortally wounded.

Mr. Chalk was at the station when the explosion occurred, he saw the debris and thought it was a bomb. His immediate thought was for the wounded and he ran through the station and on to the line. He saw

some injured and promised to get help. He then went on to the carriage where the explosion had been to see if anyone was trapped. He saw the gunman, who was covered in blood with his clothes torn; when he was close to the man he saw he was apparently reloading a gun which was immediately pointed at him. Telling the man that he wanted to help the injured, Mr. Chalk continued to move forward and walked by within three feet of the gun in his effort to reach the wounded; he was shot in the chest when he was about 4 feet past the gunman.

The gunman then seemed undecided which direction to take and it was at this juncture that a Constable arrived nearby in his Panda car. He had heard the explosion and driven immediately to a road which ran parallel with the railway. He saw the man standing near the front of the train and was warned that he was armed and had shot a man; at the same time the gunman fired a shot at the officer which missed. The Constable immediately gave a clear account of the events on his personal radio, then got back into his vehicle and reversed to a point some 50 yards up the road. He again left the car and saw the man walking towards him along the track, the gunman again took deliberate aim and fired at him, but the Constable continued his commentary.

The gunman then made for the nearest station during the course of which he threatened one more person. He then climbed on to the platform, down the exit stairs into the street. Meanwhile Constable Kiff, who had heard the Constable's radio commentary, had arrived at the station and been told the gunman was coming down the track. He cleared the platform, jumped on to track, but failed to find the man. He then heard shots in the vicinity of the booking hall and so ran down the stairs