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CENTRAL CHANCERY OF THE ORDERS OF KNIGHTHOOD

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

14th February 1992

The QUEEN has been graciously pleased to approve the award of the Queen's Gallantry Medal to the undermentioned in recognition of gallantry within the operations in Northern Iraq and Southern Turkey:

Queen's Gallantry Medal

Q.G.M.

Ministry of Defence (Navy Department)

Lieutenant Colonel (now Colonel) Jonathan James THOMSON, O.B.E., Royal Marines.

Under the command of Lieutenant Colonel THOMSON, 45 Commando was deployed to Northern Iraq on 23rd April 1991 as part of the Coalition Forces of Operation HAVEN. With a wideranging remit to supervise and safeguard the reinstatement of hundreds of thousands of Kurds into their former homes, the Commando rapidly embarked upon a formal military operation within the territory of an unpredictable and hostile aggressor.

Lieutenant Colonel THOMSON was faced immediately with the task of occupying the city of Zakhū. Until then very much an Iraqi stronghold, it was full of police and secret police. To further heighten the tension, Intelligence reports firmly indicated that Iraqi military and other security authorities would oppose Coalition forces. Notwithstanding this, Lieutenant Colonel THOMSON commenced active, aggressive day and night patrols and frequently shared these with his men, particularly in sensitive, dangerous parts of the city.

It was during one such patrol on 24th April 1991 that he encountered a wounded Kurdish refugee being threatened by an armed Iraqi secret policeman. With great courage and without drawing his own weapon, Lieutenant Colonel THOMSON immediately confronted the Iraqi and quickly disarmed him. This quick witted and selfless action undoubtedly saved the life of the Kurd and

defused an extremely tense situation. A shooting incident at this stage of the Operation would have led to a dramatic escalation within Zakhū, and would have totally negated the early momentum which the Coalition had established.

On 13th May 1991 a 45 Commando foot patrol became involved in an exchange of fire at Saddam Hussein's Presidential Palace. Lieutenant Colonel THOMSON was immediately on the scene and in the aftermath of the deaths of two Presidential Guards he quite deliberately showed himself within small arms range to the remaining Iraqis, and with his customary high profile ensured that calm was soon restored.

Throughout both these incidents Lieutenant Colonel THOMSON showed total disregard for his own safety. With the full knowledge that, at any time, his actions could well have resulted in his own death, he left his Iraqi aggressors, his own men and the Kurds who so badly needed reassurance, in no doubt as to who was in control.

Lieutenant Colonel THOMSON's highly courageous actions, provided enormous encouragement and support to so many, and were in the highest traditions of the Royal Marines.

MINISTRY OF DEFENCE WHITEHALL, LONDON S.W.1

14th February 1992

The QUEEN has been graciously pleased to approve the award of the Queen's Commendation for Valuable Service in the Air to the undermentioned in recognition of service within the operations in Northern Iraq and Southern Turkey:

Queen's Commendation for Valuable Service in the Air

Q.C.V.S.A.

MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (NAVY DEPARTMENT)

Major (now Local Lieutenant Colonel) Robert Patrick Willasey WILSEY, Royal Marines.

In recognition of his valuable services in the air and leadership of 3 Commando Brigade Air Squadron during Operation HAVEN. His personal contribution was highly significant, choosing to lead many of the most dangerous missions himself, in particular the frequent armed air reconnaissance patrols over the many Iraqi Army positions.

**CENTRAL CHANCERY OF
THE ORDERS OF KNIGHTHOOD**

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14th February 1992

The QUEEN has been graciously pleased to give orders for the following appointment to the Most Honourable Order of the Bath in recognition of service within the operations in Northern Iraq and Southern Turkey:

Order of the Bath
(Military Division)

MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (NAVY DEPARTMENT)

C.B.

To be an Ordinary Member of the Military Division of the Third Class, or Companion, of the said Most Honourable Order:

Major General Robert Jeremy Ross, O.B.E.

**CENTRAL CHANCERY OF
THE ORDERS OF KNIGHTHOOD**

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

14th February 1992

The QUEEN has been graciously pleased to give orders for the following promotions in, and appointments to, the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire in recognition of service within the operations in Northern Iraq and Southern Turkey:

Order of the British Empire
(Military Division)

MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (NAVY DEPARTMENT)

C.B.E.

To be an Ordinary Commander of the Military Division of the said Most Excellent Order:

Brigadier Andrew Myles KEELING, O.B.E.

O.B.E.

To be Ordinary Officers of the Military Division of the said Most Excellent Order:

Lieutenant Colonel Christopher Graham Harrison DUNLOP, Royal Marines.

Lieutenant Colonel Andrew John Wentworth HIGGINSON, M.B.E., Royal Marines.

M.B.E.

To be Ordinary Members of the Military Division of the said Most Excellent Order:

Acting Lieutenant Commander (MS) Malcolm John HAZELL, Royal Navy.

Surgeon Lieutenant Francis Patrick O'KELLY, Royal Navy.

Captain Jonathon Charles Victor SPENCER, Royal Marines.

MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (ARMY DEPARTMENT)

O.B.E.

To be an Ordinary Officer of the Military Division of the said Most Excellent Order:

Lieutenant Colonel Graham Leslie KERR (488455), Royal Regiment of Artillery.

M.B.E.

To be Ordinary Members of the Military Division of the said Most Excellent Order:

Major Robert Charles HENDICOTT (501606), Corps of Royal Engineers.

Major Nigel Anthony SMELLIE (497513), Royal Army Ordnance Corps.

MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (AIR FORCE DEPARTMENT)

M.B.E.

To be an Ordinary Member of the Military Division of the said Most Excellent Order:

Master Aircrew Andrew Douglas HOLLAND (E8067420), Royal Air Force.

Order of the British Empire
(Civil Division)

C.B.E.

To be an Ordinary Commander of the Civil Division of the said Most Excellent Order:

David Nunes NABARRO, Chief Health and Population Adviser, Overseas Development Administration.

M.B.E.

To be an Ordinary Members of the Civil Division of the said Most Excellent Order:

John William ADLAM, Water and Sanitation Adviser to United Nations High Commission for Refugees.

Ian Thomas DRAWBRIDGE, Divisional Officer, London Fire Brigade.

**MINISTRY OF DEFENCE
WHITEHALL, LONDON S.W.1**

14th February 1992

The QUEEN has been graciously pleased to give orders for the following appointment to the Royal Red Cross in recognition of service within the operations in Northern Iraq and Southern Turkey:

Royal Red Cross

MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (NAVY DEPARTMENT)

A.R.R.C.

To be an Ordinary Associate of the Royal Red Cross, Second Class:

Superintending Nursing Officer Judith Mary ONIONS, Queen Alexandra's Royal Naval Nursing Service.

**CENTRAL CHANCERY OF
THE ORDERS OF KNIGHTHOOD**

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14th February 1992

The QUEEN has been graciously pleased to approve the award of the British Empire Medal (Military Division) to the undermentioned in recognition of service within the operations in Northern Iraq and Southern Turkey:

British Empire Medal
(Military Division)

B.E.M.

MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (NAVY DEPARTMENT)

Acting Colour Sergeant Hugh GALLAGHER, Royal Marines, P031139N.

Corporal Alexander LYONS, Royal Marines, P033611E.

Acting Petty Officer Wren Dental Hygienist Mary Ann NORRIS, W134710H.

MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (ARMY DEPARTMENT)

B.E.M.

24392281 Staff Sergeant (now Warrant Officer Class 2) Alan Stuart TREADWELL, Royal Corps of Transport.

**CENTRAL CHANCERY OF
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14th February 1992

The QUEEN has been graciously pleased to approve the award of the British Empire Medal (Civil Division) to the undermentioned in

recognition of service within the operations in Northern Iraq and Southern Turkey.

British Empire Medal
(Civil Division)

B.E.M.

Michael Anthony DOHERTY, Station Officer, Lancashire Fire Brigade.

MINISTRY OF DEFENCE
WHITEHALL, LONDON S.W.1

14th February 1992

The QUEEN has been graciously pleased to approve the undermentioned to be Mentioned in Despatches in recognition of service within the operations in Northern Iraq and Southern Turkey:

Mention in Despatches

MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (NAVY DEPARTMENT)

Lieutenant Stuart Martin BIRRELL, Royal Marines.
Sergeant Wayne William CRAWFORD, Royal Marines, P037567Y.
Surgeon Lieutenant Peter Richard DAVIS, Royal Navy.

Lieutenant Commander Philip Simon DOYNE-DITMAS, Royal Navy.

Marine Andrew Douglas GRANT, Royal Marines, P048305Q.

Corporal Patrick Neil GREEN, Royal Marines, P046998S.

Sergeant Damian Francis IRVING, Royal Marines, P036523U.

Captain Damian Graydon Dennis MCKINNEY, M.B.E., Royal Marines.

Major Vivian Noel ROWE, Royal Marines.

Lieutenant Colonel Michael John SAMUELSON, Royal Marines.

Acting Colonel (now Colonel) Adrian David WRAY, Royal Marines.

MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (ARMY DEPARTMENT)

Captain (Acting Major) Alan SANFORD (517700), Royal Army Medical Corps.

MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (AIR FORCE DEPARTMENT)

Wing Commander Richard Allan FORSYTHE, O.B.E. (0609498), Royal Air Force.

Flight Lieutenant Roderick Stewart Elliot YOUNG (2626948), Royal Air Force.

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