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The QUEEN has been graciously pleased to approve the following awards of The George Medal, The Queen's Gallantry Medal and for the 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

Ng Hung-shek (deceased), lately Immigration Assistant, Immigration Department, Hong Kong.

On Tuesday, 20th March 1990, at approximately 6 p.m. four men each armed with a pistol robbed a jewellery shop. The police were alerted and four officers arrived just before the four robbers left.

Upon seeing the police, the robbers opened fire at the officers who returned fire. During the exchange one of the officers was hit and two pedestrians were hit by ricocheting bullets. The robbers then crossed the road and were fired at by another police officer on that side of the road. By this time thirteen shots had been fired and a considerable degree of panic and confusion had spread amongst passers-by. At this stage Mr Ng Hung-shek, who was out shopping with his fiancée, came across the escaping robbers. The crowd in front of them suddenly dispersed and they saw a robber fire towards the jewellery shop and run off followed by two more of the robbers.

Although unarmed, Mr Ng gave chase and shouted at them to drop their guns and stop running. One of the robbers turned and pointed his gun at Mr Ng who stopped momentarily but then resumed the chase. Whilst he was pursuing the robbers, four off duty policemen joined in the chase. As two of the robbers turned into another road, one of them turned to see if he was still being chased. Seizing this opportunity, Mr. Ng and one of the policemen, a police sergeant, tackled him and wrestled him to the ground. The police sergeant knocked the pistol from the robber's hand and subdued him. A police constable arrived at the scene and was instructed to guard the arrested man whilst the sergeant covered the area from possible attack by the other robbers.

At this moment the sergeant saw one of the other robbers on the other side of the road pointing a pistol and advancing towards them. As the police sergeant was confronting this second robber, a third returned, approaching the party from the rear and pointing a pistol. Neither Mr Ng nor the sergeant saw this third man but the constable guarding the first robber did, and he pushed the sergeant to the ground and took cover in a nearby building entrance. Almost simultaneously there were two shots, from the third robber, and Mr Ng fell to the ground wounded. Mr Ng did not regain consciousness and died shortly afterwards in hospital. The four robbers were arrested subsequently.

Mr Ng displayed conspicuous gallantry when, without regard for his own safety, he pursued armed robbers whilst unarmed and continued the chase after being threatened with a pistol. He still persisted after being joined by police, and helped in the capture of one of the robbers, before he was killed by the third robber.