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ROYAL WARRANT

The Air Efficiency Award

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GEORGE THE SIXTH, by the Grace of God, of Great Britain, Ireland and the British Dominions beyond the Seas, King, Defender of the Faith, to all to whom these presents shall come, Greeting!

WHEREAS by a Warrant under Our Sign Manual dated the 17th day of August, 1942, we did institute and create a medal to be available for officers and airmen and to be designated the "Air Efficiency Award", and whereas by a Warrant under Our Sign Manual dated the 27th day of December, 1946, we did revise the first-mentioned Warrant:

AND WHEREAS We were pleased to approve regulations governing the said award, reserving to Us, Our Heirs and Successors full power of annulling, altering, abrogating, augmenting, interpreting, or dispensing with these regulations or any part thereof by a notification under Our Sign Manual:

OUR WILL AND PLEASURE is to direct that the aforesaid regulations be annulled and that the following regulations should henceforth govern the said award:

1. Description.—The Air Efficiency Award shall be in silver and oval shaped bearing on the obverse the Effigy of the Sovereign and on the reverse the words "Air Efficiency Award".

2. Clasp.—The clasp shall be in silver, bearing on the obverse an Eagle with outstretched wings surmounted by a Crown.

3. Ribbon.—The award shall be worn on the left breast pendent from a ribbon of one inch and a half in width which shall be in colour green with two central stripes of pale blue, one eighth of an inch in width.

4. *Miniatures.*—Reproductions in miniature, which may be worn on certain occasions by those on whom this award is conferred, shall be approximately half the size of the award and a sealed pattern of the miniature award shall be kept in the Central Chancery of Our Orders of Knighthood.

5. Eligibility (Royalty).—The award may be worn by Us, Our Heirs and Successors, Kings and Queens Regnant of Great Britain, Ireland and the British Dominions beyond the Seas, and it shall be competent for Us, Our Heirs and Successors, to confer at Our Pleasure the award upon any Princes or Princesses of the blood Royal. 6. Eligibility (General).—The award and clasp may be conferred on officers, airmen and airwomen of any Auxiliary or Volunteer Air Force raised in Our United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, any of Our Colonies or a territory under Our protection, or within any other part of Our Dominions Our Government whereof shall so desire or within any territory under Our protection administered by Us in such Government.

7. Service Required.—The period of service requisite for the award or clasp shall be ten years' qualifying service (as defined in the regulations hereinafter mentioned) and shall include not less than five years' actual service (as defined in the regulations hereinafter mentioned) in an Auxiliary or Volunteer Air Force.

8. Publication and Registration.—The names of those upon whom the award is conferred shall be published and a register of those names shall be kept in the manner prescribed in the regulations hereinafter mentioned.

9. Forfeiture and Restoration.—It shall be competent for our Air Council in regard to Our Royal Auxiliary Air Force and Our Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, or for the Governors or Officers administering the Government, as the case may be, in regard to the Auxiliary or Volunteer Air Forces of Our respective Colonies or territories under Our protection, or the appropriate Minister of State in regard to the Auxiliary or Volunteer Air Forces in any of Our Dominions, Our Government whereof shall so desire, or within any territory under Our protection administered by Us in such Government, to cancel and annul the conferment of the award or clasp on any person and also to restore a forfeited award or clasp under the conditions laid down in the regulations hereinafter mentioned.

10. Further Regulations.—The award and clasp shall be conferred under such regulations as to grant, forfeiture, restoration and other matters, in amplification of these Our regulations as may, with Our approval be issued from time to time by Our Air Council in regard to Our Royal Auxiliary Air Force and Our Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, or by the Governors or Officers administering the Government, as the case may be, in regard to the Auxiliary or Volunteer Air Forces of Our respective Colonies or territories under Our protection, or the appropriate Minister of State in regard to the Auxiliary or Volunteer Air Forces in any of Our Dominions, Our Government whereof shall so desire, or within any territory under Our protection administered by Us in such Government.

11. Annulment, etc. of Regulations.—We reserve to Ourself, Our Heirs and Successors, full power of annulling, altering, abrogating, augmenting, interpreting, or dispensing with these regulations or any part thereof by a notification under Our Sign Manual.

Given at Our Court of St. James's this 12th day of April, 1951 in the 15th year of Our Reign.

By His Majesty's Command, A. HENDERSON.

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