

LIST OF CITATIONS FOR IRISH ARMY GALLANTRY AWARDS

Military Medal for Gallantry (an Bonn Míleata Calmachta)

Awarded in recognition of the performance of any act of exceptional bravery or gallantry arising out of, or associated with, Military Service and involving risk to life and limb.

- Military Medal for Gallantry with Honour (previously 1st Class)*
- Military Medal for Gallantry with Distinction (previously 2nd Class)*
- Military Medal for Gallantry with Merit (previously 3rd Class)*

Distinguished Service Medal (An Bonn Seirbhíse Dearschna)

Awarded in recognition of individual, or associated acts of bravery, courage, leadership, resource or devotion to duty arising out of, or associated with, service in the defence forces and not meriting the award of an Bonn Míleata Calmachta.

- Distinguished Service Medal with Honour (previously 1st Class)*
- Distinguished Service Medal with Distinction (previously 2nd Class)*
- Distinguished Service Medal with Merit (previously 3rd Class)*

The Distinguished Service Medal With Merit

86649 Sergeant Daniel Ahern

For distinguished service with the United Nations Force in the Republic of the Congo, for resourcefulness and devotion to duty. As fitter at Kolwezi in November 1963, faced with unserviceable and irreplaceable transport, he improvised tools and equipment. His technical ability, allied with his leadership and his devotion to duty, was to a large extent responsible for keeping his unit mobile.



The Military Medal For Gallantry With Distinction

0.8639 Captain Adrian Ainsworth

For displaying exceptional bravery and compassion of a high order when at At Tiri, South Lebanon on the 7th of April 1980, at grave danger to his own life from direct and sustained hostile fire, he without hesitation crawled a distance of two hundred metres to aid a grievously wounded comrade, and still under fire on the return journey, brought him to a place of safety.



The Distinguished Service Medal With Distinction

81154 Corporal William Allen

For distinguished service with the United Nations Force in the Republic of Congo, for leadership and courage. The heavy mortar troop with the Irish unit in Katanga in December 1962 and January 1963, took part in numerous engagements supporting Indian and Ethiopian troops as well as their own. On all occasions the troop performed in a most efficient manner and Corporal Allen was by his personal example, leadership and courage, largely responsible for the action of his detachment.



The Distinguished Service Medal With Honour

0.9682 Captain Michael Baker (Posthumous)

For displaying outstanding qualities of bravery and devotion. on the night of July 1st 1999, while remaining on Station over a stricken vessel off the Waterford coast, in hazardous conditions, Capt. Baker, aware of the risk to his own life, guided the stricken vessel, its occupants and a lifeboat to safety reflecting the highest Standards of courage and loyalty in the best tradition of the Defence Forces.



The Distinguished Service Medal With Distinction

0.4938 Lieutenant Colonel Patrick Barry

For distinguished service with the United Nations Force in the Republic of Congo, in displaying courage and leadership in September 1960, as a Commandant, whilst in command at Manono. Despite continuous threats of attack from a large body of Balubas, he so disposed his company that he succeeded in protecting the lives of 250 refugees and evacuating them to safety.



The Distinguished Service Medal With Merit

845105 Private K. Benson

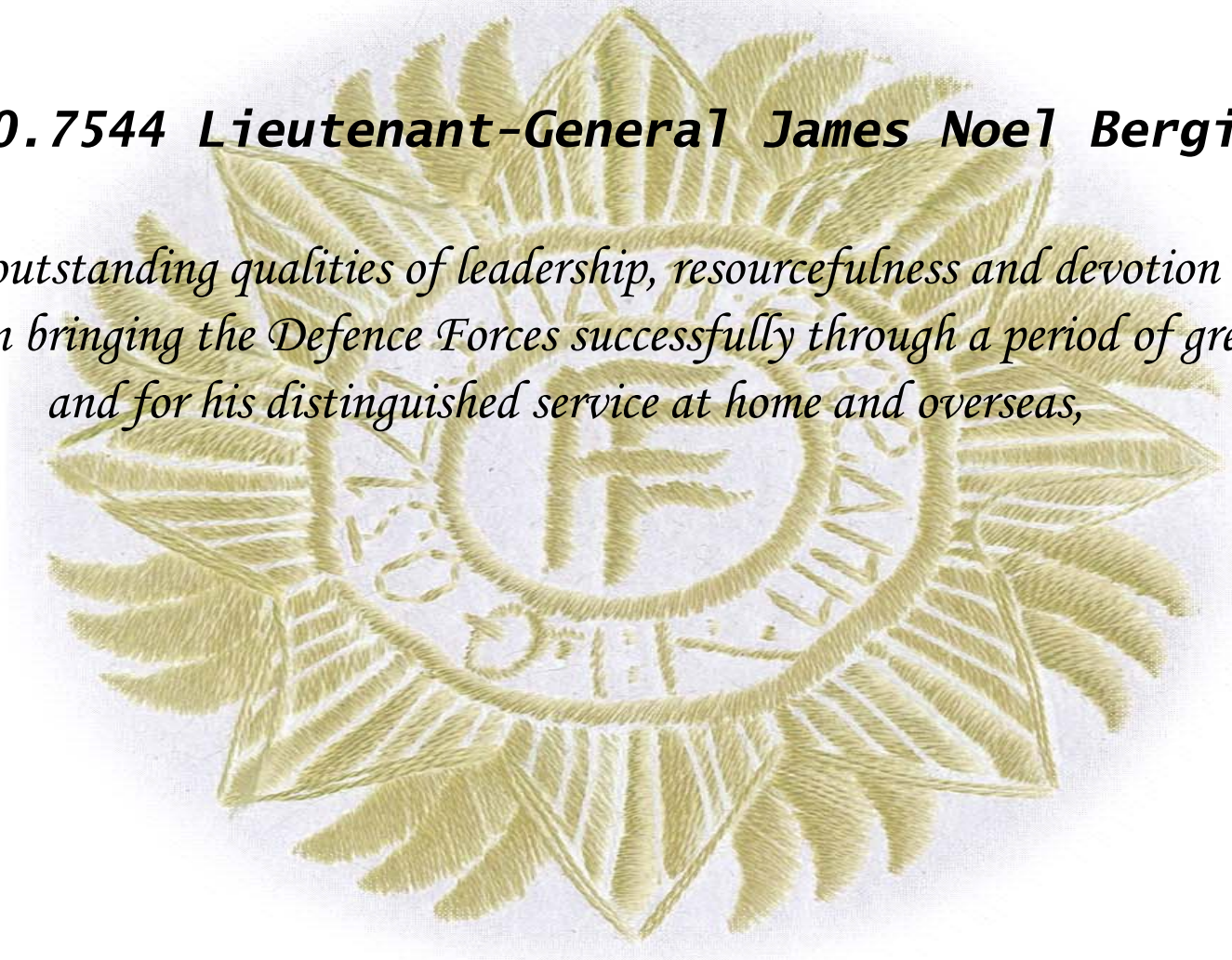
For displaying courage of a high order in the aftermath of a mine explosion in the UNIFIL area of Operations on the 21st of June 1997. Pte Benson, while being aware of the presence of further unexploded devices at the scene, went to the assistance of an injured colleague in a minefield. Pte Benson rendered on the spot treatment and assisted the evacuation of this wounded soldier to a place of safety.



The Distinguished Service Medal With Honour

0.7544 Lieutenant-General James Noel Bergin

For displaying outstanding qualities of leadership, resourcefulness and devotion to duty as Chief of Staff in bringing the Defence Forces successfully through a period of great change and for his distinguished service at home and overseas,



The Distinguished Service Medal With Distinction

0.7107 Commandant James Flynn

For distinguished service with the United Nations Force in the Republic of Congo, for leadership. The Heavy Mortar Troop commanded by Captain Boyle took part in numerous engagements in Katanga in December 1962 and in January 1963, supporting Indian and Ethiopian troops as well as their own. all occasions the troop performed in a most efficient and praiseworthy manner, due to the example, leadership and devotion to duty of Captain Boyle.



The Military Medal For Gallantry With Distinction

0.8956 Lieutenant Anthony Bracken

For displaying outstanding initiative and exceptional bravery, under heavy fire on the 8th of April 1980, at the village of At Tiri, South Lebanon, he, voluntarily leaving his position, regardless for the safety of his own life, went to the aid of two injured comrades, and whilst still under heavy sustained fire, assisted them over a distance of two hundred metres to safety.



The Distinguished Service Medal With Distinction

817259 Corporal Michael Brady

For displaying a high degree of courage and resource in the rescue of an injured man from the cliff face at Glendalough, Co. Wicklow on 8th March 1970. As a member of a helicopter team he descended from the helicopter under extremely difficult conditions and succeeded in securing the rescue strap on the survivor while the helicopter rotor blades were maintained in a position within four feet of the cliff face in very adverse weather conditions.



The Distinguished Service Medal With Distinction

848162 Able Seaman Terence Brown

For distinguished service as a member of the Gemini crew, which was tasked with the recovery of bodies and wreckage at the site of the Air India Boeing crash on the 23rd of June 1985, off the South-West coast of Ireland. His seamanship and skill in controlling the Gemini craft in hazardous seas over a long period gave support and inspiration to his fellow crewmen.



The Military Medal For Gallantry With Distinction

806115 Trooper Anthony Browne

He endeavoured to create an opportunity to allow an injured comrade to escape by firing his Gustaf thereby drawing attention to his own position which he must have been aware would endanger his life. He had a reasonable opportunity to escape because he was not wounded but chose to remain with an injured comrade.



The Distinguished Service Medal With Distinction

0.6580 Commandant Gníomhach Colúmba Browne

For distinguished service with the United Nations Force in the Republic of Congo, for leadership and devotion to duty. Commandant Browne, then a Captain, volunteered to take a team of three non-commissioned officers into the port of Matadi to clear essential UN supplies, although UN personnel had been driven from the port some time before and other nationalities had declined to undertake the task. Commandant Browne and his team, by tact and patience, carried out the extremely dangerous operation successfully despite numerous difficulties and hazards.



The Distinguished Service Medal With Distinction

805714 Private Michael Burke

For displaying courage, initiative and compassion of a high order when, voluntarily and under fire, and at considerable personal risk, Private Burke abandoned a position of safety to go to the aid of wounded civilians, in the open, in the village of Brachit, Lebanon on the 17th of April 1979.



The Distinguished Service Medal With Distinction

827033 Airman David Byrne

Airman David Byrne displayed a high degree of courage and resource in the rescue of two men at Glendalough, Co. Wicklow on the 13th of May 1977. As a member of a helicopter crew, he descended from the helicopter under extremely difficult conditions, necessitating going through an overhanging tree, and effected the rescue of the two men while the helicopter maintained position within feet of the cliff face.



The Distinguished Service Medal With Merit

0.9533 Commandant Ian Byrne

For displaying a high degree of professionalism and courage on two occasions in Camp Clara, Monrovia, Liberia on the night of the 24th of October 2004, when, without regard to his personal safety, Comdt Ian Byrne rendered assistance to a colleague in a treacherous and polluted sea during the hours of darkness, his decisive action in dangerous and life-threatening circumstances resulted in the successful rescue of a colleague.



The Distinguished Service Medal With Honour

818926 Sergeant William Byrne

Sgt. William Byrne, while acting as a helicopter winch operator in the rescue of two persons at Muckish Mountain, Co Donegal, on the 1st of August 1977 in hazardous conditions, displayed a high degree of courage and resource. The success of the operation and the rescue of the persons involved was due to the efforts of the helicopter crew of which Sgt. Byrne was a member.



The Distinguished Service Medal With Honour

855746 Corporal Niall Byrne (Posthumous)

For displaying outstanding qualities of bravery and devotion, on the night of the 1st of July 1999, while remaining on Station over a stricken vessel off the Waterford Coast, in hazardous conditions, Cpl Byrne, aware of the risk to his own life, guided the stricken vessel, its occupants and a lifeboat to safety reflecting the highest standards of courage and loyalty in the best tradition of the Defence Forces.



The Distinguished Service Medal With Honour

0.5167 Lieutenant-General William Callaghan

For distinguished service as Commander of the United Nations Force in Lebanon where he has displayed outstanding qualities of leadership, resource and devotion to duty. His successful handling of a very delicate and difficult situation has enhanced the reputation of the Irish Defence Forces and has made a significant contribution to establishing stability in the area, thus contributing generally to world peace.



The Distinguished Service Medal With Distinction

848515 Corporal David Carolan

For displaying a high degree of professionalism, initiative and resource, in assisted in the rescue of four trawlermen from the fishing vessel 'Locative' off the Donegal Coast on the 9th of March 1990. Cpl Carolan descended from the helicopter under extremely hazardous conditions and organised all four survivors for lifting.



The Distinguished Service Medal With Distinction

415646 Company Sergeant Daniel Carroll

For distinguished service with the United Nations Force in the Republic of Congo, for courage and devotion to duty over several periods of service. He performed all his duties with energy, ability, enthusiasm and impartiality and showed personal courage and coolness under fire.



The Distinguished Service Medal With Merit

86572 Sergeant Joseph Cashman

For distinguished service with the United Nations Force in the Republic of the Congo, for resourcefulness and devotion to duty. As Company Sergeant of Military Police, he displayed outstanding diligence and devotion to duty in all police and liaison duties assigned to him over long periods and often at personal risk in potentially dangerous situations.



The Distinguished Service Medal With Merit

90811 Private John Clarke

For distinguished service with the United Nations Force in the Republic of the Congo, in displaying devotion to duty during the period December 1961 to May 1962. Private Clarke worked long hours and displayed skill above the normal as a motor fitter and as a manufacturer of furniture, showers and ovens. He contributed in no small fashion to the wellbeing of his comrades by his devotion to duty, and was an inspiration to all ranks.



The Distinguished Service Medal With Honour

81244 Corporal Charles Connelly

For distinguished service with the United Nations Force in the Republic of Congo, by acts of bravery and devotion to duty under fire as a medical orderly, during December 1961, in the Elizabethville area. Regardless of his own safety, he attended casualties under heavy mortar and small arms fire during which a non-commissioned officer was seriously wounded and later died. On another occasion, on his own initiative, he crossed open country swept by fire to render first aid. In this action an officer and a soldier died, but despite the danger involved, Corporal Connelly continued to bring medical aid to others who were wounded.



The Distinguished Service Medal With Merit

92680 Sergeant Richard Connolly

For distinguished service with the United Nations Force in the Republic of the Congo, for devotion to duty on several periods of service. Sergeant Connolly was tireless at whatever task he was allotted and was outstanding in the performance of all duties given to him.



The Distinguished Service Medal With Distinction

801763 Private Anthony Connolly

For distinguished service with the United Nations Force in the Republic of Congo on the 14th of September 1960, at Manona. He chose to remain in an exposed position isolated from his unit in order to maintain wireless contact with Battalion Headquarters. Fighting was in progress between Katangese forces and Baluba tribesmen around his position, but Private Connolly remained at his post and provided communications for approximately 24 hours until the situation eased. His conduct was most meritorious and beyond that required by the call of duty.



The Distinguished Service Medal With Distinction

0.9033 Acting Commandant James Corby

For displaying a high degree of professionalism, initiative and resource, A/Comdt James Corby assisted in the rescue of four trawlermen from the fishing vessel 'Locative' off the Donegal coast on the 9th of March 1990. As Co-Pilot he supported the aircraft Captain for almost three hours by continually monitoring and advising him of the aircraft state, thereby ensuring that the rescue was a success.



The Distinguished Service Medal With Distinction

802236 Company Quartermaster Sergeant James Cotter

For distinguished service with the United Nations Force in the Republic of Congo, for courage and devotion to duty. During the period 17th to 20th of March 1963, the then Corporal Cotter, spent all the hours of daylight in a partially cleared minefield in an effort to find the remaining live mines. The successful completion of this task, which resulted in the location of the mines, was due to his sustained courage and devotion to duty.



The Military Medal For Gallantry With Merit

853478 Private Paul Coventry

For displaying exceptional bravery and compassion of a higher order, while serving with the United Nations Interim Force In Lebanon, when during a serious confrontation with armed elements at Checkpoint 6-10 AI Jurn, on the 29th of September 1992, he, with little regard for his own safety, voluntarily and without hesitation, left his position of relative safety and moved, exposing himself to hostile fire, to a position that was under effective fire, to render assistance to a wounded comrade.



The Distinguished Service Medal With Distinction

0.8205 Captain Thomas Croke

For exceptional leadership and a high degree of courage. Captain Croke as a helicopter pilot, effected the rescue of a trapped boy from a ledge on the waterfall face at Powerscourt, Co. Wicklow, under very adverse weather conditions on 05 August 1972. The rescue operation necessitated bringing the helicopter rotor blades within feet of the waterfall, and in doing so Captain Croke displayed exceptional flying skill and disregard for personal safety.



The Distinguished Service Medal With Merit

75481 Sergeant John Daly

For distinguished service with the United Nations Force in the Republic of the Congo, for devotion to duty. Sergeant Daly volunteered for a team of three non-commissioned officers who had to enter the port of Matadi to clear essential UN supplies, although UN personnel had been driven from the port some time before and other nationalities had declined to undertake the task. The team, by tact and patience, carried out the extremely dangerous operation successfully, despite numerous difficulties and hazards.



The Military Medal For Gallantry With Distinction

844653 Private Michael John Daly

For displaying exceptional bravery and compassion of a high order when at At Tiri, South Lebanon on the 7th of April 1980, at grave danger to his own life from direct and sustained hostile fire, he without hesitation crawled a distance of two hundred metres to aid a grievously wounded comrade, and still under fire on the return journey, brought him to a place of safety.



The Distinguished Service Medal With Merit

829426 Sergeant Joseph Darcy

For showing coolness, presence of mind and for taking instant and decisive action while on an aid to the civil power operation at Batief Crossroads, Co, Kilkenny on the 27th of November 1987. His actions gave support, reassurance and strength of purpose to the members of the Garda Síochána whom he was tasked to protect and represented in essence the basis of joint Army/Garda Síochána operations.



The Distinguished Service Medal With Distinction

826187 Private Michael Dillon

For displaying courage, initiative and compassion of a high order when, voluntarily and under fire, and at considerable personal risk, Private Dillon abandoned a position of safety to go to the aid of wounded civilians, in the open, in the village of Brachit, Lebanon on the 17th of April 1979.



The Distinguished Service Medal With Honour

836168 Corporal James Doohan

For displaying outstanding qualities of leadership, initiative, courage and loyalty during a night attack by hostile forces on the Headquarters of the United Nation Interim Force in Lebanon (UNIFIL) at Naqoura on the 19th of April 1979 when, under fire and unaccompanied, Corporal Doohan voluntarily left a position of safety at the risk of his own life to lead comrade soldiers to cover and security: and for his subsequent actions in organising the welfare of his men and security of his post on the same occasion, thereby inspiring confidence, improving morale and setting a high standard of soldierly behaviour.



The Distinguished Service Medal With Merit

78361 Private Christopher Doolan

For distinguished service with the United Nations Force in the Republic of the Congo during the period 13th to 22nd September 1961. As a rifleman he was untiring. He took over the duties of cook when his platoon was cut off from Company Headquarters. In this capacity he worked long hours under adverse conditions to provide for his comrades. His devotion to duty over the period resulted in his health breaking down.



The Distinguished Service Medal With Merit

855222 Able Seaman Gerard Dore

For displaying superior seamanship, as coxswain of a Naval Service Rigid Inflatable Boat tasked with supporting An Garda Siochana to board and arrest the yacht 'Nickoletta' on the 9th of July 1994, when his skillful handling of his craft, in the face of storm force winds, high seas and a very heavy swell, led to the successful boarding and detention of the yacht.



The Distinguished Service Medal With Distinction

836357 Private Colin Douglas

For displaying marked qualities of courage, leadership and coolness under fire during a night attack by hostile forces on the Headquarters of the United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon (UNIFIL) at Naqoura on the 19th of April 1979, and for loyalty to a wounded comrade on the same occasion when at considerable risk to himself Private Douglas remained with him, succoured and comforted him and eventually assisted him to a place of safety.



The Distinguished Service Medal With Distinction

828692 Private Edward Doyle

For displaying courage and determination of a high order, when on the 7th of December 1981, while near Brachit, South Lebanon, he came under intense automatic small arms fire from close range and, maintaining control of the vehicle, despite severe injuries, he drove it with great skill and courage, out of range of the ambushers, to a place of safety.



The Distinguished Service Medal With Merit

806492 Corporal Aiden Doyle

For meritorious service with the United Nations Force in the Republic of the Congo in 1961, while serving as a cook. Throughout the entire period of his service, he worked over and beyond the call of duty. His energy, enthusiasm, devotion to duty and general efficiency were an example to all. His tirelessness eventually endangered his health, but heedless of medical advice, he continued to the end of his service to do trojan work.



The Distinguished Service Medal With Merit

Chaplain Edward Dunne

For dedication to duty above the ordinary and for displaying courage under fire in bringing spiritual succour to a wounded comrade during a night attack by hostile forces on the Headquarters of the United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon (UNIFIL) at Naqoura on the 19th of April 1979.



The Distinguished Service Medal With Distinction

812087 Sergeant Thomas Dunne

Sergeant Thomas Dunne while acting as a helicopter winch operator in the rescue of an injured man from the cliff face at Glendalough, Co. Wicklow on the 8th March 1970, in very hazardous conditions, displayed a high degree of courage and resource. The success of the operation and saving of the injured man's life was due to the efforts of the helicopter crew as a team of which Sergeant Dunne was a member.



The Distinguished Service Medal With Merit

808427 Corporal James Fallon

For distinguished service with the United Nations Force in the Republic of the Congo, in displaying devotion to duty to a high degree. The then Private Fallon insisted in remaining with his platoon although his brother had been killed in action. He displayed character, leadership and initiative to such an extent that he was promoted during his period of service overseas.



The Distinguished Service Medal With Distinction

0.7959 Commandant Joseph Fallon

For distinguished service with the United Nations Truce Supervisory Organisation (UNTSO) in Palestine and with the United Nations Emergency Force (UNEF) during the period April 1973 to December 1975. As an observer with UNTSO and subsequently as 'Force Commander's Personal Assistant' and Military Assistant to Chief Co-ordinator of United Nations Peacekeeping Missions in the Middle East, Commandant, then Captain Fallon displayed dedication, initiative, leadership and resourcefulness well above the ordinary. Overall, his contribution to United Nations Peacekeeping Operations in the Middle East was outstanding.



The Distinguished Service Medal With Distinction

0.7887 Lieutenant Peter Feely

For distinguished service with the United Nations Force in the Republic of Congo, in displaying courage and leadership. From the time of his arrival in the Congo, Lieutenant Feely was engaged in action and he displayed coolness and control at all times. When his platoon was ordered to clear snipers from railway carriages in Elizabethville, he personally handled the task, dashing in close to the carriages, lobbing grenades through the windows before entering the carriages to clear them.



The Distinguished Service Medal With Merit

809084 Corporal James Feery

For distinguished service with the United Nations Force in the Republic of the Congo, for courage and devotion to duty during the period of the 5th to the 19th of December 1961. He showed great courage by taking up an exposed position to get fire effect with his 84mm anti-tank gun, destroying one armoured car and driving off other attacks. In addition, he worked to the verge of collapse in preparing and improving gun-posts. His courage and determination were an inspiration to the remainder of the unit.



The Distinguished Service Medal With Distinction

0.6378 Commandant Joseph Fitzpatrick

For distinguished service with the United Nations Force in the Republic of Congo, in displaying courage and leadership when securing an important position in Elizabethville on the 16th of December 1961. The leading platoon suffered casualties, but Commandant Fitzpatrick exposed himself repeatedly to fire and, by his personal courage, energy and leadership, maintained the impetus of the advance until the objective was attained.



The Distinguished Service Medal With Distinction

821158 Sergeant Michael Fleming

For distinguished service with the United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon, for courage, leadership and devotion to duty, while acting as NCO i/c post 624 - Brachit when the post was subjected to sustained and intense shelling and air attack, resulting in repeated firings close and directed hits, during the period 25th July 1993 until relieve on 29th July 1993. He commanded his post with exceptional dedication and resourcefulness, maintaining the post security and operational effectiveness throughout.



The Distinguished Service Medal With Distinction

0.7107 Commandant James Flynn

For distinguished service with the United Nations Force in the Republic of Congo, for outstanding leadership of a patrol over a distance of approximately 1,000 miles of unknown territory. During the period of the 7th to the 13th of October 1961, he was in command of a patrol with the task of following a Baluba war party. The patrol encountered numerous difficulties - armed and threatening Balubas, broken and burned bridges, impassable roads and rivers. Because of these obstacles, Commandant Flynn was forced to make a very long detour frequently threatened by hostile tribesmen. By his leadership, resourcefulness, courage and prudence, he brought the patrol safely back to base.



The Distinguished Service Medal With Distinction

0.7627 Commandant James Flynn

Commandant James J. Flynn while serving with the United Nations in Cyprus as Liaison Officer to the Headquarters of the National Guard, during an anti-Government coup and subsequent Turkish intervention in 1974, made an outstanding contribution to the United Nations peacekeeping mission. He displayed, to a high degree, the qualities of resourcefulness, initiative, devotion to duty and physical courage in circumstances of great personal danger and sustained pressure.



The Distinguished Service Medal With Distinction

810957 Corporal Gerald Francis

For distinguished service with the United Nations Force in the Republic of Congo, in displaying leadership and courage under fire. During the period of hostilities in December 1961, when his platoon commander had been killed and he himself had been wounded, Corporal Francis remained with his section and successfully completed his tasks.



The Distinguished Service Medal With Merit

851245 Signalman Michael Geoghegan

For displaying bravery, courage and resourcefulness in that he remained with his out-of-control vehicle, ensuring that his passenger had escaped to safety, the pedestrians in its path had been avoided and that the vehicle had been directed to a safe resting place before jumping clear, thus eliminating immediate danger to life at Jwayya, South Lebanon on the 1st of October 1990.



The Distinguished Service Medal With Merit

80322 Company-Sergeant Felix Grant

For distinguished service with the United Nations Force in the Republic of the Congo, for devotion to duty and zeal of a high order. He continued to discharge his duties in an exemplary and devoted manner although suffering from an illness which eventually caused his death



The Distinguished Service Medal With Distinction

808720 Corporal Patrick Gregan

For distinguished service with the United Nations Force in the Republic of Congo, for courage and devotion to duty. On the 16th of December 1961, he deliberately exposed himself to heavy automatic fire on a number of occasions in order to use his own 84mm anti-tank rifle more effectively. His courageous action and accurate fire were of great assistance to his platoon and helped it to complete its mission without heavy casualties. Later in the action, although wounded, he continued until ordered back for treatment.



The Distinguished Service Medal With Distinction

0.9358 Lieutenant Denis Harrington

For leadership and control which he exhibited during an aid to the civil power operation at Balief Crossroads. Co. Kilkenny on the 27th of November 1987. His courage throughout the incident was a source of inspiration to his men, and contributed significantly to the success of the mission.



The Distinguished Service Medal With Merit

75746 Sergeant William Hartley

For meritorious service with the United Nations Force in the Republic of the Congo, for resourcefulness and devotion to duty. Sergeant Hartley supervised and worked on the repair of two wrecked armoured cars. With limited workshop facilities and by working long hours and by improvisation, he succeeded in returning both cars to service. He worked over and beyond the normal call of duty and displayed skill, resourcefulness and devotion to duty.



The Distinguished Service Medal With Merit

415968 Sergeant Patrick Hayes

For distinguished service with the United Nations Force in the Republic of Congo, for devotion to duty on several periods of service. He was thorough and conscientious in the performance of all tasks assigned to him and often worked long and late hours to complete such tasks. His discipline, bearing and devotion to duty were exemplary.



The Distinguished Service Medal With Distinction

801545 Company Sergeant Walter Hegarty

For distinguished service with the United Nations Force in the Republic of Congo, during two service periods in 1960 and 1961. He displayed outstanding leadership, resourcefulness and courage on numerous occasions. His personal example and efficiency were an inspiration to others and a boost to the morale of his men.



The Distinguished Service Medal With Distinction

838791 Sergeant Bernard Heron

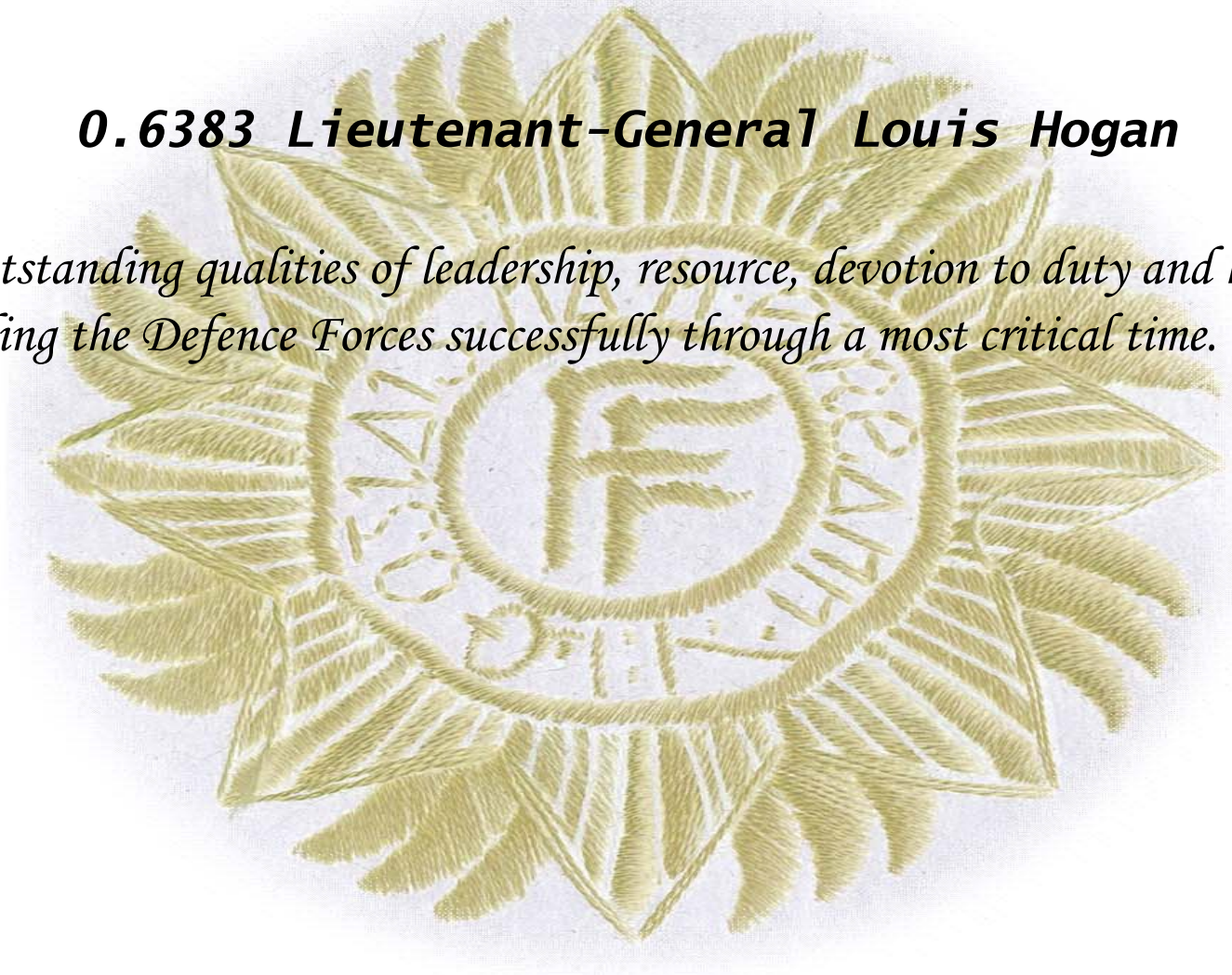
For displaying a high degree of professionalism, initiative and resource, in assisting in the rescue of four trawlermen from the fishing vessel 'Locative' off the Donegal coast on the 9th of March 1990. As winch operator, Sgt Heron succeeded in lifting all survivors off the trawler in hazardous conditions thereby rendering the mission a success.



The Distinguished Service Medal With Honour

0.6383 Lieutenant-General Louis Hogan

For displaying outstanding qualities of leadership, resource, devotion to duty and humanity in guiding the Defence Forces successfully through a most critical time.



The Distinguished Service Medal With Distinction

0.4484 Lieutenant Colonel Michael Hogan

For distinguished service with the United Nations Force in the Republic of Congo, in displaying courage and leadership of a high degree. Although in ill-health at the time, Lieutenant Colonel Hogan did not spare himself in working for the welfare and morale of all ranks. By his disregard for his own personal safety and his constant presence in the area of hostilities, he contributed greatly to the success of his battalion in its difficult mission.



The Distinguished Service Medal With Distinction

804718 Sergeant Alfred Johnston

For distinguished service with the United Nations Force in the Republic of Congo, in acting courageously on the 29th of September 1960 while on sentry duty at Kisenyi Post in Goma.

Then a Private, he displayed courage and alertness when a comrade soldier approached his post, firing a rifle dangerously. At the risk of his own life, Sergeant Johnston grappled with the man and succeeded in gaining possession of the rifle and ammunition.



The Military Medal For Gallantry With Distinction

830092 Corporal Michael Jones

For displaying outstanding initiative and exceptional bravery, under heavy fire on the 8th of April 1980, at the village of Al Tiri, South Lebanon, he, voluntarily leaving his position, regardless for the safety of his own life, went to the aid of two injured comrades, and whilst still under heavy sustained fire, assisted them over a distance of two hundred metres to safety.



The Distinguished Service Medal With Distinction

805463 Corporal John Kavanagh

For distinguished service with the United Nations Force in the Republic of Congo, in displaying courage to a high degree at Lufira Bridge on the 16th of September 1961. Corporal Kavanagh left the protection of an armoured car and brought back a shocked member of his section pinned down by fire. He also brought the man's arms and equipment to safety.



The Distinguished Service Medal With Merit

808612 Corporal John Kealy

For distinguished service with the United Nations Force in the Republic of the Congo, for courage and devotion to duty. On several occasions over a number of periods of service, he showed courage, initiative and disregard for his own personal safety. On one occasion he volunteered to accompany an officer on a highly dangerous mission across the River Luvua and into the unfriendly town of Kiambi to investigate the whereabouts of a missing family.



The Distinguished Service Medal With Merit

803838 Corporal John Keenan

For distinguished service with the United Nations Force in the Republic of the Congo, as a Private soldier, in displaying leadership and courage. On several occasions he endangered his own life by his courage and at all time he was alert and energetic. He led a party of Swedish soldiers under fire and placed them in fire positions. His bravery and devotion to duty were an example to his comrades.



The Distinguished Service Medal With Merit

852911 Able Seaman Paul Kellett

For displaying courage, devotion to duty and resourcefulness in that he undertook a hazardous mission under adverse conditions to locate and reconnoitre a stricken vessel in order that a rescue could be effected on the crew of the F. V Gardotza, and, his craft having capsized, he attempted to rescue his comrade before finally making his way ashore in the vicinity of Roan Carrigbeg Rocks, Co. Cork on the night of the 30th of January 1990, and proceeding to raise the alarm.



The Distinguished Service Medal With Distinction

816558 Corporal Terence Kelly

Corporal Terence Kelly, while acting as a helicopter winch operator in the rescue of a trapped boy from a ledge on the waterfall face at Powerscourt, Co. Wicklow on the 5th of August 1972, in very hazardous conditions, displayed a high degree of courage and resource. The success of the operation and the rescuing of the trapped boy were due to the efforts of the helicopter crew as a team of which Corporal Kelly was a member.



The Distinguished Service Medal With Merit

854172 Able Seaman Patrick Kennedy

For distinguished service as coxswain of the Naval Service crew tasked with supporting the Garda Síochána to board and arrest the ketch 'Brime' on the 13th of July 1993. Able Seaman Patrick Kennedy conducted himself in the highest traditions of the Naval Service in controlling and manoeuvring his craft in rough seas despite the numerous attempts of the 'Brime' to ram and overrun the boarding party. His quick action resulting in the successful boarding and consequent arrest of the 'Brime' and the capture of its cargo of drugs.



The Distinguished Service Medal With Merit

835409 Private P. Kennedy

For displaying courage of a high order in the aftermath of a mine explosion in the UNIFIL area of Operations on the 21st of June 1997. Pte Kennedy, while being aware of further unexploded devices at the scene, voluntarily went to the assistance of an injured colleague in a minefield. With little regard to his personal safety, he aided in the evacuation of the soldier to a place of safety.



The Distinguished Service Medal With Honour

848833 Sergeant Gerard Lanigan

For displaying outstanding courage, devotion to duty and compassion of a high order on the occasion of a protracted exchange of fire between hostile forces at Nepbatt position 5-15, Southern Lebanon on the 20th of February 1992 Sergeant Gerard Lanigan, a medical orderly with the Force Mobile Reserve, regardless of his own safety, rendered medical assistance to a seriously wounded Fijian soldier whilst caught in the open during crossfire.



The Distinguished Service Medal With Distinction

0.7168 Captain James Lavery

For distinguished service with the United Nations Force in the Republic of Congo, for leadership and courage. During the operations of December 1962, Captain Lavery led the advance of the Irish troops on Kipushi and displayed courage and leadership in the handling of his armoured cars, disregarding his own safety to direct and control their fire. His handling of a team charged with attending to the problem of 15,000 refugees, solved the problem in a matter of days, mainly through his efficient leadership.



The Distinguished Service Medal With Merit

851508 Private Edward Long

For displaying marked qualities of courage and initiative, and with little regard to his own safety, Private Edward Long entered the sea at Fenit Pier, Co. Kerry, on the night of the 23rd of December 1989 and rescued a German seaman, The rescue was effected in adverse and stormy weather conditions. Without this prompt action by Private Long, the German seaman who was unconscious in the water would have lost his life. By his action, Private Long brought great credit on himself and on the Defence Forces.



The Distinguished Service Medal With Distinction

837366 Sergeant Maurice Lordan

For displaying marked qualities of courage and initiative when, under fire and with little regard for his own safety, Sergeant Lordan guided a Chaplain to administer spiritual succour to a wounded comrade during a night attack by hostile forces on the Headquarters of the United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon (UNIFIL) at Naqoura on 19 April 1979; and for showing high qualities of leadership and dedication to duty, later on the same night, in organising rescue and stretcher parties.



The Distinguished Service Medal With Distinction

0.8408 Captain Donal Loughnane

For exceptional leadership, initiative and resource. As a helicopter pilot, Captain Loughnane assisted in the rescue from Muckish Mountain, Co. Donegal, on the 1st of August 1977. Initially, he located the stranded people as darkness fell, and subsequently, having guided the rescue helicopter to the area, he positioned his helicopter and focused his landing light on the stranded people thereby enabling the rescue helicopter to effect the rescue. In the course of this manoeuvre, he displayed courage and flying skill of a high order, and without his efforts the rescue would not have been possible.



The Distinguished Service Medal With Merit

855199 Able Seaman David Lynch

For displaying superior seamanship, as coxswain of a Naval Service Rigid Inflatable Boat. tasked with supporting An Garda Síochána to board and arrest the yacht 'Nickoletta' on the 9th of July 1994, when his skillful handling of his craft, in the face of storm force winds, high seas and a very heavy swell, led to the successful boarding and detention of the yacht.



The Military Medal For Gallantry With Distinction

0.7977 Commandant Michael Lynch

For showing exemplary loyalty to his fallen United Nations Military Observers, and with disregard for his own safety, displaying the highest degree of courage and initiative in undertaking and successfully following through a difficult and dangerous mission, behind Syrian lines, in the mountains east of Beirut on the night of the 25th of September 1982, and for reflecting through his actions during the mission, outstanding credit on himself and his country.



The Distinguished Service Medal With Merit

78854 Private Peter Madigan

For distinguished service with the United Nations Force in the Republic of the Congo, for outstanding devotion to duty over several periods of service. Private Madigan's loyalty, steadiness and general trustworthiness made him a very valuable man wherever he served, and these attributes, together with his devotion to duty, proved to be a steadying and beneficial influence all his fellow soldiers.



The Distinguished Service Medal With Honour

0.6510 Captain Arthur Magennis

For distinguished service with the United Nations Force in the Republic of the Congo, by showing outstanding courage in going through hostile territory to negotiate for the lives of captured comrades whose execution had been threatened. While fighting between United Nations and Katangese forces was in progress in the Elizabethville area, he agreed to being blindfolded and travelled on the 15th to the 16th September 1961, unarmed with hostile troops whose respect for the rules of war he could not trust. He accomplished his mission at great personal risk, ensuring that the lives of his comrades would be spared.



The Distinguished Service Medal With Distinction

836619 Petty Officer Muiris Mahon

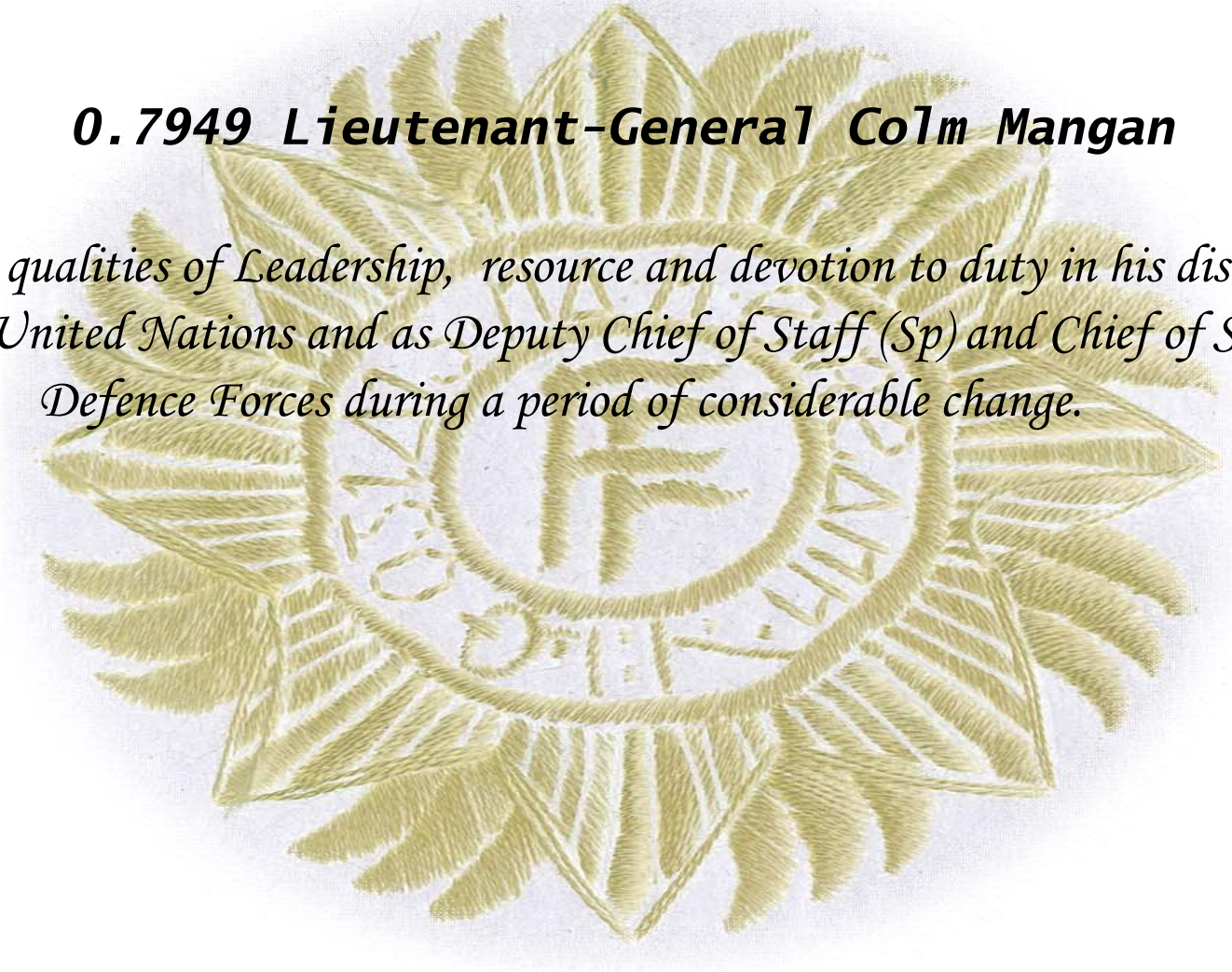
For distinguished service as a member of the Gemini crew, which was tasked with the recovery of bodies and wreckage at the site of the Air India Boeing crash on 23 June 1985, off the South-West coast of Ireland. He conducted himself in the highest traditions of the Naval Service when he dived into hazardous seas over a prolonged period to recover bodies. By his example, he inspired and gave confidence to his comrades. His conduct was in the highest traditions of the Naval Service.



The Distinguished Service Medal With Honour

0.7949 Lieutenant-General Colm Mangan

For outstanding qualities of Leadership, resource and devotion to duty in his distinguished service with the United Nations and as Deputy Chief of Staff (Sp) and Chief of Staff of the Defence Forces during a period of considerable change.



The Distinguished Service Medal With Merit

809418 Sergeant Daniel Mannix

For distinguished service with the United Nations Force in the Republic of the Congo, in displaying devotion to duty on several periods of service. Sergeant Mannix, then a Corporal, distinguished himself by the care and time which he devoted to his men. During active operations, his leadership and control were of a high order.



The Distinguished Service Medal With Merit

804643 Sergeant James McCafferty

For distinguished service with the United Nations Force in the Republic of the Congo, for resourcefulness and devotion to duty. As a Corporal, his work in the unaccustomed and responsible role of unofficial interpreter was invaluable to his Officer Commanding. In performing his duties he worked long hours, often beyond the call of duty, but his work was always excellent and his conduct and discipline exemplary.



The Distinguished Service Medal With Merit

847205 Corporal Timothy McCarthy

For distinguished service with the United Nations interim Force in Lebanon, for his calmness, courage and devotion to duty at Post 642, Brachit, in reaching and manning his assigned defensive position when the Scheme of Defence for his post was put into effect on the 25th of July 1993, although he was subjected to sustained and direct hostile fire, and for displaying marked qualities of leadership as an Acting Corporal, 2 i/c of his post, during a period of sustained and intense shelling and air attack between 25 and 29 July 1993. His good humour, care and compassion for his comrades were an inspiration to others and contributed greatly to the maintenance of morale and the operational efficiency of the post.



The Distinguished Service Medal With Distinction

0.4530 Colonel Justin McCarthy

For distinguished service with the United Nations Force in the Republic of Congo, as Chief Operations Officer/Deputy Chief of Staff from August to October 1960, Colonel McCarthy was instrumental in getting the first Amorphous Force Staff working and his boundless devotion to duty brought it through many a crisis. He gave of his utmost beyond the call of duty. The exhausting burden of his duties contributed to his untimely death.



The Distinguished Service Medal With Distinction

0.7422 Captain Roger McCorley

For distinguished service with the United Nations Force in the Republic of Congo, in performing his duty with courage and initiative during the period 13th to the 17th of September 1961, in the Elizabethville area. To get better observation for mortar fire he frequently exposed himself to danger with complete disregard for his own safety.



The Distinguished Service Medal With Distinction

93854 Sergeant Patrick McCormack

For meritorious service with the United Nations Force in the republic of the Congo, in displaying leadership and resourcefulness at Kabalo from the 6th to the 11th of October, 1960. He was in charge of a train guard of four men which was isolated in the railway station in Kabalo. The town was under attack by Balubas but Sergeant McCormack organised the station house for defence and gave protection to a large number of refugees. He also organised an emergency hospital to treat Katangese casualties injured in a battle nearby.



The Distinguished Service Medal With Distinction

843580 Leading Seaman John McGrath

For distinguished service as a member of the Gemini crew, which was tasked with the recovery of bodies and wreckage at the site of the Air India Boeing crash on the 23rd of June 1985, off the southwest coast of Ireland. During that long and arduous operation, without regard for his personal safety, he dived into hazardous seas over a prolonged period to recover bodies. By his example, he inspired and gave confidence to his comrades. His conduct was in the highest traditions of the Naval Service.



The Distinguished Service Medal With Distinction

424442 Sergeant Thomas McGuire

For meritorious service with the United Nations Force in the Republic of the Congo, for devotion to duty over several period of service. He performed all his duties with determination, initiative and ingenuity and showed great professional and military skill in all his work as a mechanical transport fitter



The Distinguished Service Medal With Distinction

836696 Petty Officer Michael McIntyre

For dedication to duty above the ordinary and for displaying courage and initiative of a high degree in dealing with an outbreak of fire, single handed in the engine room of the L.E. Aisling, in close proximity to where a cargo of ammunition was stored on the 19th of November 1981, during a voyage from Barry, Wales to Haulbowline, Co. Cork.



The Distinguished Service Medal With Honour

0.4427 Lieutenant-General John McKeown

For distinguished service as Commander, United Nations Force in the Republic of the Congo, from January 1961 to March 1962. Lieutenant-General McKeown commanded some 20,000 troops in the cause of peace. In an operation over a vast area with limited communications and varied circumstances, his task demanded leadership and moral and physical courage of a high order. By displaying these qualities in an outstanding manner throughout his term of office, he, in the words of the Secretary General, United Nations 'discharged his responsibilities with eminence'.



The Distinguished Service Medal With Distinction

82684 Company Sergeant William McLoughlin

For distinguished service with the United Nations Force in the Republic of Congo in 1961. As an engineer non-commissioned officer, Company Sergeant, Sergeant McLoughlin served his unit in many technical capacities with skill and ingenuity. Above all, his devotion to duty and energy were an inspiration to those around him.



The Distinguished Service Medal With Distinction

0.7452 Commandant Brian McMahon

For exceptional leadership and a high degree of courage. Commandant McMahon, as a helicopter pilot, effected the rescue of an injured man from the cliff face at Glendalough, Co.

Wicklow under very adverse weather conditions on the 8th of March 1970. The rescue operation necessitated bringing the helicopter rotor blades within four feet of the cliff face and in doing so Commandant McMahon displayed exceptional flying skill and disregard for personal safety.



The Distinguished Service Medal With Honour

0.7722 Lieutenant-General Gerard McMahon

For outstanding qualities of leadership, resource and devotion to duty in his distinguished service with the United Nations, and as Quartermaster-General and Chief of Staff of the Defence Forces in successfully guiding the Defence Forces during a period of considerable change



The Distinguished Service Medal With Distinction

0.9047 Lieutenant Commander Mark Mellett

For distinguished service as captain of confidence and leadership while coordinating a complex operation at sea leading to the arrest of the ketch 'Brime' off the southwest coast on the 13th July 1993. His professional skill, dedication and devotion to duty in a difficult operation reflected great credit on the Naval Service and the Defence Forces



The Military Medal For Gallantry With Merit

843982 Private Thomas Metcalfe

For an act of exceptional bravery and with little regard for his own safety, on the 25th of July 1981, in Portlaoise Prison during an outbreak of fire, he voluntarily scaled a forty foot high drainpipe in darkness, and succeeded in rescuing a comrade soldier trapped on a blazing rooftop.



The Distinguished Service Medal With Honour

848582 Sergeant Patrick Mooney (Posthumous)

For displaying outstanding qualities of bravery and devotion, on the night of July 1st 1999, while remaining on station over a stricken vessel off the Waterford coast, in hazardous conditions, Sgt. Mooney, aware of the risk to his own life, guided the stricken vessel, its occupants and a lifeboat to safety reflecting the highest standards of courage and loyalty in the best tradition of the Defence Forces.



The Distinguished Service Medal With Merit

87410 Sergeant Patrick Mulcahy

For distinguished service with the United Nations Force in the Republic of the Congo, in displaying leadership and devotion to duty to a high degree. Although painfully wounded during hostilities in December 1961, he refused to leave his platoon and subsequently, whilst looking after his men, he received the wound from which he died.



The Distinguished Service Medal With Merit

837296 Corporal Noel Mullins

For displaying calmness, courage and dedication to duty above the average, when unarmed and isolated from his parent unit and under severe physical and psychological duress, Corporal Mullins gave first aid to a wounded comrade and continued to function effectively as an observer at an isolated observation post in South Lebanon on the night of the 25th of October 1978.



The Distinguished Service Medal With Merit

845528 A/Company Sergeant David Murphy

For displaying a high degree of professionalism and courage on two occasions in Camp Clara, Monrovia, Liberia on the night of the 24th of October 2004, when without regard to his personal safety A/Coy Sgt .David Murphy rendered assistance to a colleague in a treacherous and polluted sea during the hours of darkness. His decisive and immediate action in dangerous and life threatening circumstances resulted in the successful rescue of a colleague.



The Distinguished Service Medal With Distinction

0.7857 Lieutenant Anthony Murphy

For distinguished service with the United Nations Force in the Republic of Congo, in displaying initiative and aggressiveness at Kamina Base on the 16th of September 1961. Lieutenant Murphy was called on to take up a defensive position, but found it occupied and immediately attacked. His successful aggressive action prevented the opposing forces from obtaining a foothold in Kamina Base, with its important UN installations and quarters.



The Distinguished Service Medal With Merit

806014 Private James Murray

For distinguished service with the United Nations Force in the Republic of the Congo, in displaying devotion to duty and courage. During a period of hostilities in December 1961, Private Murray, a cook, repeatedly endangered himself in bringing food to the troops under fire. On one occasion, a container of food was blown out of his hands by a mortar bomb, yet he returned immediately with a fresh supply.



The Distinguished Service Medal With Merit

811638 Private John Murray

For distinguished service with the United Nations Force in the Republic of the Congo, for his resourcefulness and devotion to duty over several periods of service. Private Murray worked many extra hours at a variety of tasks and at all of them showed diligence, conscientiousness and ability far above normal.



The Distinguished Service Medal With Distinction

820659 Sergeant Richard Murray

Sergeant Richard Murray, while acting as a helicopter winch operator in the rescue of two trapped men from a cliff face at Glendalough, Co. Wicklow, on the 13th of May 1977 in very difficult conditions, displayed a high degree of courage and resource. The success of the operation and the rescue of the two men was due to the efforts of the helicopter crew as a team of which Sergeant Murray was a member,



The Distinguished Service Medal With Honour

0.8172 Lieutenant-General Patrick Nash

For distinguished service as Operational Commander of the United Nations mandated EUFOR TCHAD/RCA Mission, which he led, from initiation to successful conclusion, displaying throughout outstanding qualities of leadership, resourcefulness, resolve and devotion to duty. His leadership, coupled with his diplomatic, communication and negotiation skills, was central to the success of his mission, and earned him widespread praise internationally thereby greatly enhancing the reputation of the Defence Forces in Peace Support operations.



The Distinguished Service Medal With Merit

804396 Corporal Edward Nolan

For distinguished service with the United Nations Force in the Republic of the Congo, for devotion to duty. Corporal Nolan volunteered for a team of three non-commissioned officers who had to enter the port of Matadi to clear essential UN supplies, although UN personnel had been driven from the port some time before and other nationalities had declined to undertake the task. The team, by tact and patience, carried out the extremely dangerous operation successfully, despite numerous difficulties and hazards.



The Distinguished Service Medal With Distinction

87182 Sergeant-Major Patrick Norris

For distinguished service with the United Nations Force in the Republic of Congo, by his courageous behaviour under fire. On the 8th of December 1961, Sergeant-Major Norris, then Sergeant Norris was anti-tank gunner on a patrol against snipers in Elizabethville. On a number of occasions when the patrol was fired upon, Sergeant Norris exposed himself to fire in order to use his weapon effectively and he was eventually wounded in doing so. His behaviour was extremely courageous and the fact that the remainder of the patrol returned unharmed was due in large measure to his actions.



The Distinguished Service Medal With Distinction

0.7806 Captain John Norton

For distinguished service with the United Nations Force in the Republic of Congo. for leadership and courage. From the 8th to the 16th of December 1961, immediately, on its arrival in Elizabethville, Captain Norton's platoon was involved in active operations. The platoon displayed efficiency, aggressiveness and high morale under heavy fire, and this was due to Captain Norton's leadership and courage. His disregard for his personal safety and his tireless energy were an inspiration to his men.



The Distinguished Service Medal With Honour

0.5165 Commandant Kevin Nunan

For distinguished service with the United Nations Force in the Republic of the Congo, for bravery in rescuing Trooper Nolan from drowning in the Mulangwoshi river. Whilst on a patrol in a jeep, with Commandant Nunan and two others, toppled off a demolished bridge in darkness into the flooded river. Commandant Nunan was swept downstream for about 75 yards before getting to the bank and then, although a poor swimmer, he went back into the centre of the river to rescue Trooper Nolan who was a non-swimmer and in grave danger.



The Distinguished Service Medal With Honour

0.9634 Captain David O'Flaherty (Posthumous)

For displaying outstanding qualities of bravery and devotion, on the night of July 1st 1999, while remaining on Station over a stricken vessel off the Waterford coast, in hazardous conditions, Capt. O'Flaherty, aware of the risk to his own life, guided the stricken vessel, its occupants and a lifeboat to safety reflecting the highest standards of courage and loyalty in the best tradition of the Defence Forces.



The Distinguished Service Medal With Merit

848173 Corporal Aidan O'Halloran

For distinguished service while on duty on board the Department of Defence vessel 'David F' en route from Cobh to Haulbowline on the night of the 28th of September 1994, where he demonstrated initiative and bravery, when, with little regard for his own safety, he, despite the coldness of the night and in the face of a considerable tide, voluntarily jumped into the sea and attempted to rescue Able Steward Darran Martyn who was overboard.



The Distinguished Service Medal With Merit

78324 Corporal Francis O'Neill

For distinguished service with the United Nations Force in the Republic of the Congo. For devotion to duty. Corporal O'Neill worked day and night and was at all times available to arrange transport for patrols and other details at short notice. His devotion to duty was outstanding.



The Distinguished Service Medal With Distinction

86692 Sergeant John O'Reilly

For meritorious service with the United Nations Force in the republic of the Congo during the period October to December, 1960 in displaying resourcefulness and devotion to duty while on many patrols and train guards as an Engineer Corporal his personal energy and leadership and willingness to undertake any task were a source of inspiration to his comrades.



The Distinguished Service Medal With Distinction

0.8136 Commandant Patrick O'Shea

For exceptional leadership and a high degree of courage. Commandant O'Shea, as a helicopter pilot, effected the rescue of two trapped men from a cliff face at Glendalough, Co. Wicklow, on the 13th of May 1977. In doing so he displayed exceptional flying skill and courage by manoeuvring the helicopter to within a few feet of the cliff face and overhanging trees.



The Distinguished Service Medal With Honour

0.8136 Commandant Patrick O'Shea

For exceptional leadership and outstanding courage Comdt. O'Shea, as helicopter pilot, effected the rescue of two people from Muckish Mountain, Co. Donegal, on the 1st of August 1977. The rescue was effected during the hours of darkness and with the cooperation of a second helicopter, using the landing lights of both craft. The rescue operation necessitated maintaining his helicopter in a hazardous position within feet of the mountain side and in doing so Comdt. O'Shea displayed exceptional flying skill and courage.



The Distinguished Service Medal With Merit

833036 Sergeant Richard O'Shea

For displaying courage, judgement and decisiveness on the 15th of December 1988 at Tibnin, South Lebanon when, under armed threat from hostile elements, in that he challenged them and while containing the situation, manoeuvred them to a location where the threat posed to the lives of UNIFIL troops was eliminated.



The Distinguished Service Medal With Merit

830425 Airman Richard O'Sullivan

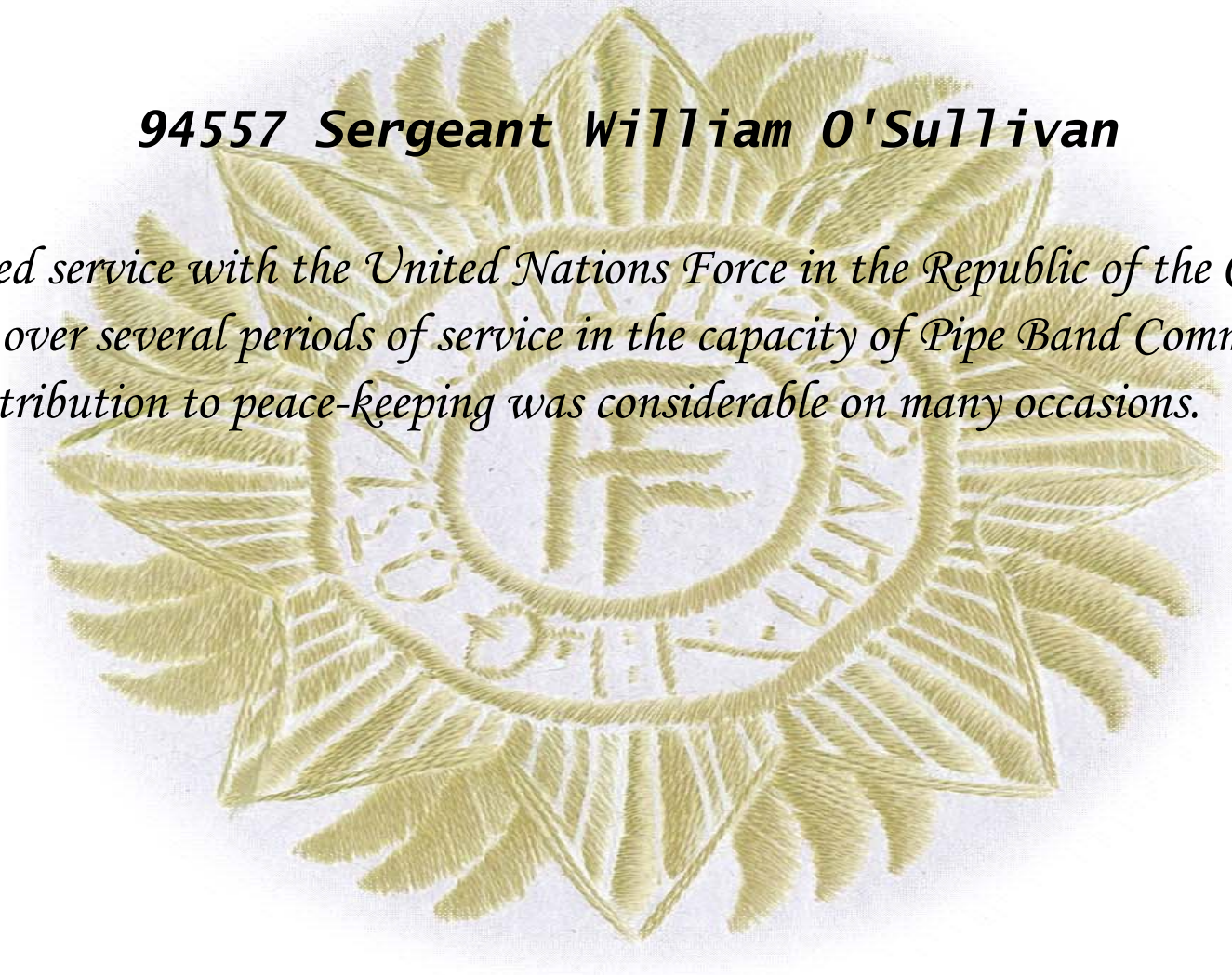
Airman Richard O'Sullivan displayed a high degree of courage and resource in assisting in the rescue of two persons at Muckish Mountain, Co. Donegal on the 1st of August 1977. As a member of a helicopter crew, he assisted his pilot in all stages of the rescue effort culminating in the hazardous positioning of the helicopter in close proximity to the rescue helicopter, which was a major factor in the successful completion of the mission.



The Distinguished Service Medal With Merit

94557 Sergeant William O'Sullivan

For distinguished service with the United Nations Force in the Republic of the Congo, for devotion to duty over several periods of service in the capacity of Pipe Band Commander. His contribution to peace-keeping was considerable on many occasions.



The Distinguished Service Medal With Honour

0.4980 Lieutenant-General Carl O'Sullivan

For displaying outstanding qualities of leadership, resource, devotion to duty and humanity in guiding the Defence Forces successfully through a most critical time.



The Distinguished Service Medal With Distinction

807531 Corporal Michael O'Sullivan

For distinguished service with the United Nations Force in the Republic of Congo, in displaying courage and devotion to duty. In September 1961, during the evacuation of the garrison at Kilubi, Corporal O'Sullivan volunteered to remain alone at his wireless set throughout the night and maintained vital contact with headquarters. The balance of his unit was 5 miles away and an attack on his position was imminent.



The Distinguished Service Medal With Distinction

0.6868 Lieutenant Colonel Gerald O'Sullivan

For distinguished service with the United Nations Force in Cyprus (UNFICYP). As Chief Economics Officer of UNFICYP from August 1974 to July 1976, Lieutenant Colonel O'Sullivan gave an impressive performance in this very demanding assignment. Through his untiring energy and devotion to duty he made an exceptional contribution in pursuing the solutions to the humanitarian and economic problems in Cyprus. His service to both communities on the island, to the International Agencies concerned and to UNFICYP reflects great credit on the Defence Forces and on the officer personally.



The Distinguished Service Medal With Honour

0.7406 Lieutenant-General James Parker

For displaying outstanding qualities of leadership, resource, devotion to duty in his distinguished service as the United Nations Chief Military Observer in India and Pakistan from 1987 to 1989, as Chief of Staff of the Defence Forces in bringing the Defence Forces successfully through a period of great change.



The Distinguished Service Medal With Merit

852387 Private Richard Penny

In assisting in the rescue of a German seaman at Fenit Pier on the night of the 23rd of December 1989, Private Richard Penny displayed great courage and initiative by climbing down the side of the pier in adverse and stormy sea conditions and at great personal risk to himself His actions were instrumental in saving the life of the seaman.



The Distinguished Service Medal With Distinction

820217 Sergeant John Power

For his devotion to duty, for displaying outstanding qualities of courage and leadership, while under threat, provocation, harassment, and frequent daily heavy fire, in an isolated position with meagre supplies of food and water, he commanded his post at OP RAS, South Lebanon from the 6th of April 1980 to the 18th of April 1980 with exceptional efficiency, steadfastly refusing to surrender, until relief was arranged.



The Distinguished Service Medal With Distinction

0.7280 Captain Michael Purfield

For distinguished service with the United Nations Force in the Republic of Congo, in displaying courage and leadership of a high degree on several occasions. During a period in September 1961, he was prominent in his disregard for his own personal safety in volunteering for dangerous missions and by his efficient execution of such missions.



The Distinguished Service Medal With Distinction

0.7668 Captain Thomas Quinlan

For distinguished service with the United Nations Force in the Republic of Congo, for leadership during the period September to December 1961 in Katanga. Then a Lieutenant, his platoon engaged in action on a number of occasions and displayed aggressiveness and spirit of a high degree, which was due to his excellent qualities of leadership and courage.



The Distinguished Service Medal With Honour

0.4985 Major-General James Joseph Quinn

For distinguished service as Commander of the United Nations Force in Cyprus from December, 1976 to February 1981 in carrying out the difficult responsibilities entrusted to him with commendable skill, courage, resourcefulness and dedication; for gaining the trust, confidence and respect of all parties interested or involved in the Cyprus problem, thereby permitting the effective fulfilment of the mandate of his Force and contributing generally to world peace.



The Distinguished Service Medal With Merit

843641 Leading Seaman Michael Quinn (Posthumous)

For displaying Leadership, devotion to duty and courage to the extent of losing his own life, in that he volunteered for and undertook a hazardous mission under adverse conditions to locate and reconnoitre a stricken vessel in order that a rescue could be effected on the crew of the F. V. Gardotza, grounded on the Roan Carrigbeg Rocks, Co. Cork on the night of the 30th of January 1990.



The Distinguished Service Medal With Distinction

76595 Sergeant John Quirke

For distinguished service with the United Nations Force in the Republic of Congo, for leadership and courage. The heavy mortar troop with the Irish unit in Katanga in December 1962 and January 1963, took part in numerous engagements supporting Indian and Ethiopian troops as well as their own. On all occasions the troop performed in a most efficient manner. Sergeant Quirke, as a non-commissioned officer in charge of ammunition, by his initiative and disregard for his own safety, succeeded in maintaining the supply of ammunition to the guns. despite tremendous difficulties. His actions contributed largely to the success of the unit.



The Distinguished Service Medal With Distinction

818185 Corporal John Ring

For displaying a high degree of courage and resource in the rescue of a trapped boy from a ledge on the waterfall face at Powerscourt, Co. Wicklow on the 5th of August 1972. Corporal John Ring, a member of a helicopter team, descended from the helicopter under extremely difficult conditions and having climbed down ten feet of the waterfall face, succeeded in securing the rescue strap on the trapped boy while the helicopter maintained its position within a few feet of the waterfall face .



The Distinguished Service Medal With Distinction

0.7776 Lieutenant Patrick Riordan

For distinguished service with the United Nations Force in the Republic of Congo, in displaying courage and leadership during the period of hostilities in December 1961.

Lieutenant Riordan was tireless in his task in insuring the efficiency and welfare of his platoon under very trying circumstances, and it was while actually leading his platoon in an attack that he met his death.



The Distinguished Service Medal With Distinction

0.8539 Lieutenant Commander James Robinson

For distinguished service as Captain of L.E. Aisling in showing courage, confidence and authority when he co-ordinated a complex air and sea recovery operation at the site of the Air India Boeing crash on the 23rd of June 1985, off the south west coast of Ireland. His skill, control, dedication and organisational ability, in a difficult operation, reflected great credit on the Naval Service and the Defence Forces.



The Distinguished Service Medal With Distinction

801232 Sergeant Michael Rowland

For distinguished service with the United Nations Force in the Republic of Congo, for bravery and leadership. On the 13th of September 1961, he was in charge of a light armoured car conveying a civilian technician to Elizabethville Post Office. Confronted with superior forces and armour and finding all roads blocked, he fought his way through and accomplished his mission. Sergeant Rowland showed bravery, initiative and leadership of a high quality during this action.



The Distinguished Service Medal With Merit

809456 Sergeant John Ryan

For distinguished service with the United Nations Force in the Republic of the Congo, in displaying devotion to duty while serving as a wireless operator during a period of hostilities. Sergeant Ryan, then a Corporal, succeeded in maintaining communications despite difficult and hazardous conditions and by his skill, composure and devotion to duty, played a major part in the success of his battalion's operations.



The Distinguished Service Medal With Distinction

92754 Sergeant George Shaughnessy

For distinguished service with the United Nations Force in the Republic of Congo, for leadership and courage. On the 13th of September 1961, he was noncommissioned officer in charge of a transport escort which was destroyed by armoured cars in Elizabethville. The escort was forced to leave its transport and move across open country to the protection of a friendly outpost. During this move, Sergeant Shaughnessy, on several occasions, deliberately exposed himself to fire in order to get his men to safety. He displayed qualities of leadership and courage in a difficult and dangerous situation.



The Distinguished Service Medal With Honour

829506 Airman Owen Sherry

Airman Owen Sherry while acting as a helicopter winch operator in the rescue of two persons at Muckish Mountain, Co Donegal, on the 1st of August 1977. As a member of the helicopter crew he descended from the helicopter twice under extremely difficult and dangerous conditions, aided only by the landing lights of the supporting helicopter, and effected the rescue showing complete disregard for his own personal safety.



The Distinguished Service Medal With Merit

819339 Sergeant Michael Smith

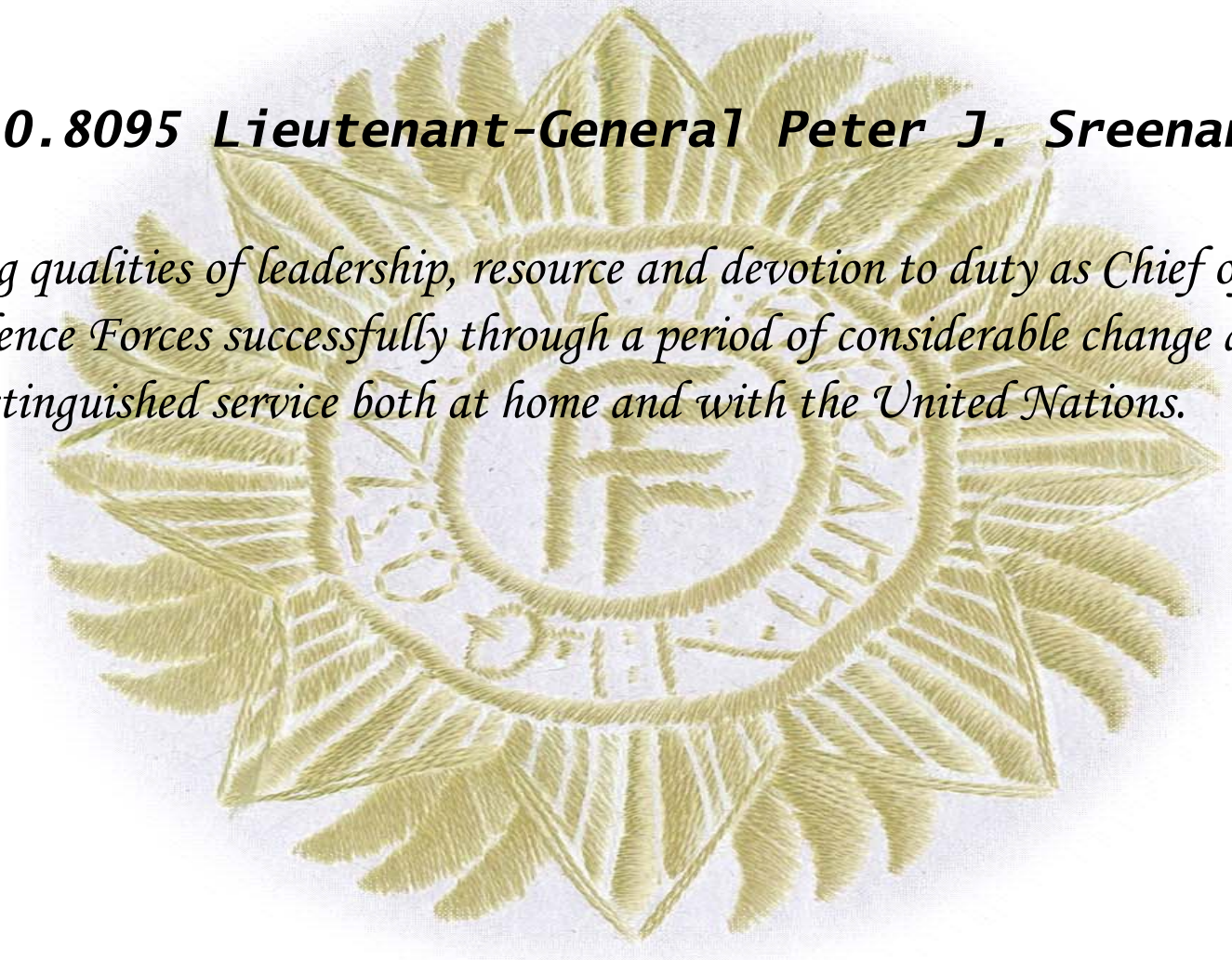
For displaying outstanding qualities of leadership during a night attack by hostile forces on an isolated observation post in South Lebanon on the 28th of September 1979 and, on the same occasion, for his courage and devotion to duty when under fire and at considerable risk to his own life, Sergeant Smith left a position of safety to join a comrade in an exposed sentry box to assist in the transmission of situation reports during the attack,



The Distinguished Service Medal With Honour

0.8095 Lieutenant-General Peter J. Sreenan

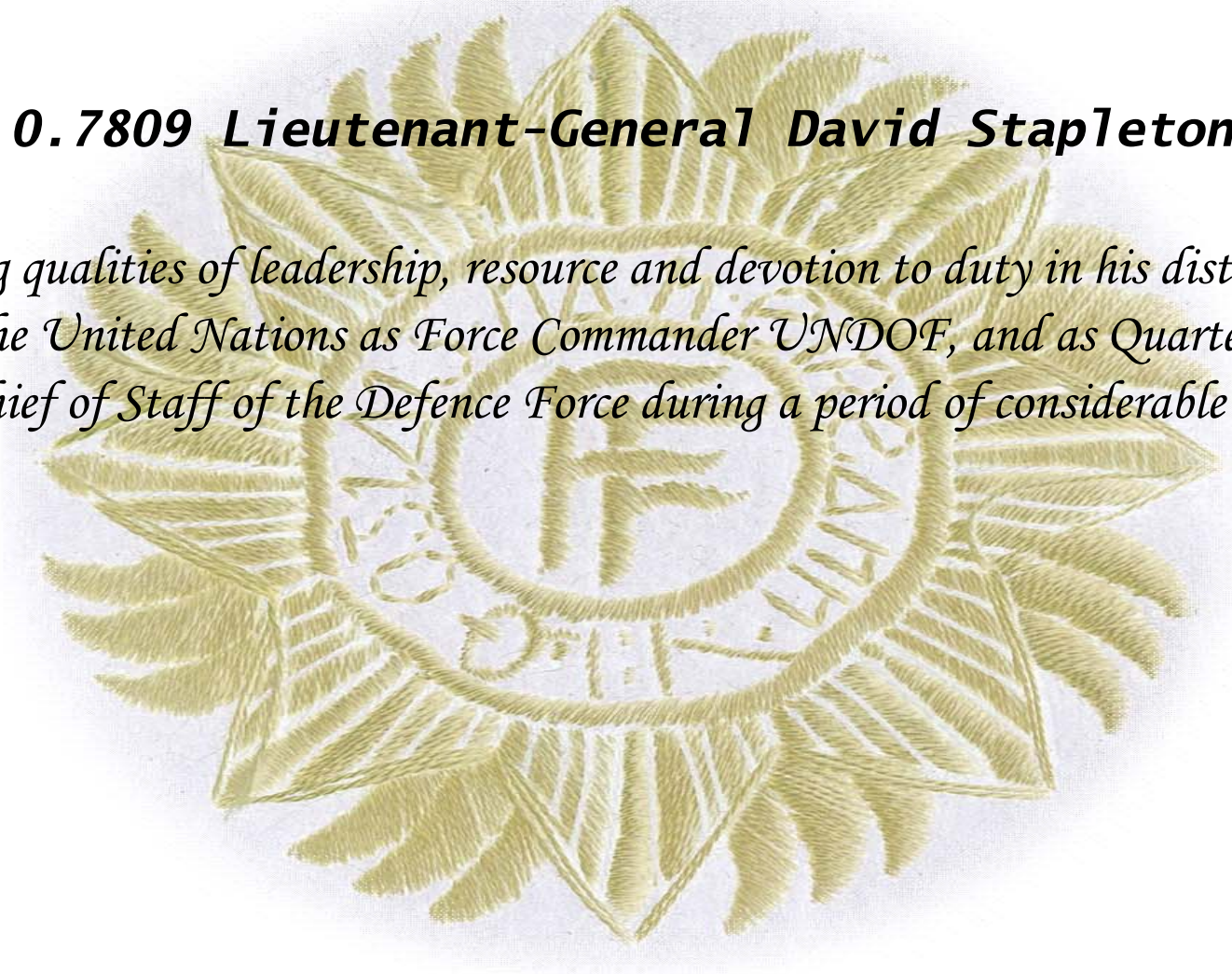
For outstanding qualities of leadership, resource and devotion to duty as Chief of Staff in bringing the defence Forces successfully through a period of considerable change and for his distinguished service both at home and with the United Nations.



The Distinguished Service Medal With Honour

0.7809 Lieutenant-General David Stapleton

For outstanding qualities of leadership, resource and devotion to duty in his distinguished service with the United Nations as Force Commander UNDOF, and as Quartermaster-General and Chief of Staff of the Defence Force during a period of considerable challenge



The Distinguished Service Medal With Merit

815364 Chief Petty Officer Patrick Tumulty

For displaying marked qualities of courage and dedication to duty, for his cool, calm methodical reactions in assisting to extinguish a serious outbreak of fire in the Engine Room of the L'E Aisling, in close proximity to where a cargo of ammunition was stored, on the 19th of November 1981, while the vessel was on a passage from Barry, Wales to Haulbowline, Co, Cork



The Distinguished Service Medal With Merit

96057 Private Patrick Wall

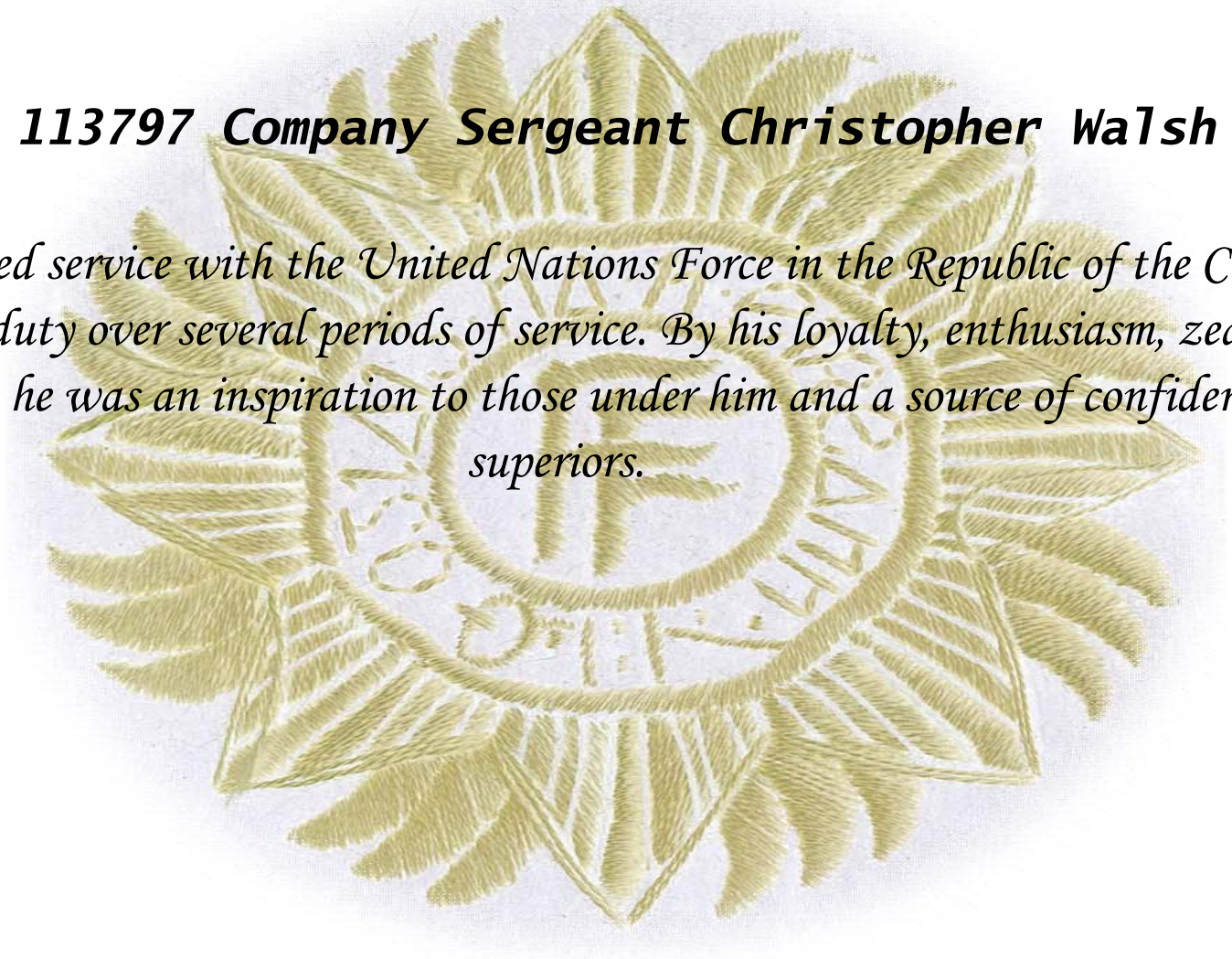
For meritorious service with the United Nations Force in the Republic of the Congo, in displaying resourcefulness and devotion to duty. In 1961, Private, Acting Corporal Wall was assigned as driver to the U.N. Representative in Katanga. He carried out his duties most satisfactorily in difficult circumstances. On one occasion, by his calmness, he succeeded in getting his passenger to safety when they were assaulted by unfriendly soldiers.



The Distinguished Service Medal With Merit

113797 Company Sergeant Christopher Walsh

For distinguished service with the United Nations Force in the Republic of the Congo, for devotion to duty over several periods of service. By his loyalty, enthusiasm, zeal and resourcefulness, he was an inspiration to those under him and a source of confidence to his superiors.



The Distinguished Service Medal With Merit

805446 Sergeant William Whelan

For distinguished service with the United Nations Force in the Republic of Congo, for devotion to duty. Sergeant Whelan volunteered for a team of three non-commissioned officers who had to enter the port of Matadi to clear essential UN supplies, although UN personnel had been driven from the port some time before and other nationalities had declined to undertake the task. The team, by tact and patience, carried out the extremely dangerous operation successfully, despite numerous difficulties and hazards.



The Distinguished Service Medal With Distinction

0.9035 Acting Commandant Jurgen Whyte

For exceptional leadership and a high degree of courage A/Comdt Jurgen Whyte effected the rescue of four trawlermen from the fishing vessel 'Locative' off the Donegal Coast on the 9th of March 1990. In so doing he displayed great skill in manoeuvring the helicopter over the trawler for one hour and twenty minutes in hazardous conditions whilst the rescue was in progress.



The Distinguished Service Medal With Merit

806540 Corporal Anthony Woodcock

For distinguished service with the United Nations Force in the Republic of the Congo, in displaying leadership and devotion to duty during the period December 1961 to May 1962, Corporal Woodcock, then a Private soldier, was an example to his comrade soldiers by his calmness and initiative. Although painfully wounded at one stage, he insisted that another wounded soldier receive treatment before himself and displayed calmness and fortitude which had a considerable effect on the remainder of the platoon.

