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1. Her Majesty The Queen has graciously approved the award of the General Service Medal 1962 with Clasp 'N.IRAQ and S.TURKEY' in general recognition of service on Operation HAVEN, from 6 Apr to 17 Jul 91.

2. The qualifications for Clasp 'N.IRAQ and S.TURKEY' will be:
   a. Service of 30 days or more continuously; or
   b. Three operational air sorties; in
   c. Northern Iraq West of 44 45E and North of 36 OON and Southern Turkey, including its territorial waters, east of 35 OOE and south of 38 OON between 6 Apr and 17 Jul 91.

3. Eligible personnel are:
   a. Regular or Reserve members of the Armed Forces on the attached or posted strength of any Royal Navy, Royal Marines, Army or Royal Air Force unit or formation committed to; the United States’ Operation PROVIDE COMFORT; and British Operation HAVEN. Both operations for the relief and protection of Kurds in Northern Iraq.
b. Loan Service and Exchange Personnel serving with coalition units committed on Operation PROVIDE COMFORT.

c. Regular and Reserve members of Commonwealth Forces on the attached or posted strength of units of British Forces HAVEN.

d. Multinational Regular and Reserve Service Personnel serving with units of Operation HAVEN, except Dutch personnel who have received a comparable medal from the Netherlands Government.

e. Overseas Development Administration civil advisers.

f. United Kingdom based members of the Civil Service serving with Her Majesty's Armed Forces in the above specified areas.

g. Ministry of Defence accredited artists.

h. Civilian members of the Royal Fleet Auxiliary, and of any such organization as may be hereafter be determined, who served directly with the Armed Forces between the above specified dates and in the specified areas.

4. If qualifying service in para. 2a and 2b above is brought to an end before the completion of 30 days on account of death, or evacuation owing to wounds, or other disability due to service, the reduced period of service will be sufficient qualification for the award.

5. The grant to persons described in para. 3 above, of a British Honour, Decoration or Medal of the status of the Queen's Gallantry Medal or above, or a Queen's Commendation or Mention in Despatches, for gallantry in operations during the qualifying period, not amounting to 30 days, will also qualify the recipient for the General Service Medal, 1962 and/or Clasp.

6. a. The award of the Queen's Commendation or of a Mention in Despatches, for service in the operational area, will be denoted by the wearing of an oak leaf emblem on the ribbon of the medal.

b. The Clasp 'N.IRAQ and S.TURKEY' will not be denoted by the wearing of a rosette on the ribbon of the Medal.

c. Personnel who have already been awarded the General Service Medal 1962 will receive the Clasp only.

7. Consideration may be given to the award of the Medal to personnel who have been engaged in specially hazardous operations of comparatively short duration.

8. Medals and/or Clasps will be issued to qualified personnel under single-Service arrangements. Medals for deceased personnel are to be given over to the next of kin in presentation boxes, they are not to be sent by post.