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Submission to Inquiry - Mr. Neil Geoffrey Carlisle

Part 1 – Name of Inquiry

Name of Inquiry *

Recognition Of Recognition Warlike Service Of Rifle Company Butterworth

Part 2 – About the Submitter

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Is the Submission on behalf of an organisation? If yes, please provide details:

Part 3 – Desired outcome

Provide a summary of your submission:

1st Tour of Butterworth Neil Carlisle Regimental no. 212475 Rank Private 8/9 RAR D Company Rifleman SLR Dates of tours are as best as I can recall. NOV 1979 - FEB 1978 The company did predeployment training and administration requirements. Predeployment briefings regarding the political, tactical and local situation in Malaysia. The company carried out DP 1 checks to ensure everyone had the correct equipment and that it was serviceable. We went to the rangeto group and zero our weapons prior to deployment, and we practiced section, platoon and company drills for various situations that could possibly occur. Medical and dental checks were carried out. The Company landed in Alor Star Kedah State Malaysia by C130. The company trained with the Malaysian Army in this area prior to being deployed to Butterworth Airbase. Whilst we were training with the MAF on the Malay/Thai border riflemen carried 20 rounds of live ammunition and the Machine guns carried 100 live rounds. We also carried blank rounds for the Haringaroo 1. exercise. I forgot who I asked, but I enquired as to why were we carrying live ammo on an exercise. I was told that it was for us get ourselves out of a situation if required. Prior to departing Alor Star, I spoke to a Malaysian soldier who was on crutches and only had 1 foot. I asked what had happened to him, he said that he was on patrol on the border and he stood on a mine on a track. The company deployed to Butterworth by truck where we took up our duties. The company provided protection of the perimeter and local assets. This duty was filled by the quick reaction force which was called out

at least twice during the night, plus check the perimeter fence throughout the night. There was a bedford truck with a large searchlight and an infantry section would travel on the back of the truck with section weapons and live ammunition and a radio. The weapons carried on the truck were 2x M16 1X M203 1X GPMG M60 6X SLR. Rules of Engagement. ROE verbal command to an intruder we had to learn in Malay. "Berhenti Atu Saya Tembah". Means "Stop or I will Shoot" this was to be repeated 3 times before firing. An Arms Coat was manned 24hrs 7 days by a soldier. He had an M16 with 20 live rounds to protect the weapons within the building. Also held a number of 84mm weapons 2nd Tour Rank Private 8/9 RAR B Coy Rifleman SLR DEC 1979 - FEB 1980 Same duties at Butterworth as stated previously 3rd Tour Rank Corporal 2/4 RAR D Coy Section Commander M 16 Same duties at Butterworth but as a section commander. I believe my RCB service met the warlike service criteria as outlined above. We want qualifying for VEA entitlements. BAB declared the defence Act an active service area. We want the AASM with Clasp "Malaysia". Returned from active service badge (RASB).

Part 4 - Your submission and Supporting Documentation

File Attached:

Part 5 – Consent and declaration

✓ I consent to the Defence Honours and Awards Appeals Tribunal making my submission publicly available.

✓ I also consent to the Defence Honours and Awards Appeals Tribunal:

- using information contained in my submission to conduct research;
- providing a copy of my submission to a person or organisation considered by the Tribunal to be appropriate; and
- providing a copy of my submission to a person or organisation the subject of adverse comment in the submission;
- using content in my submission in its report to Government.

The Tribunal will decide which person or organisation is appropriate, and this may include:

1. persons or organisations required to assist with the inquiry; and
2. persons or organisations with an interest in the inquiry.

✓ I declare that the information I have provided is correct.

Name

Neil Carlisle

Date

29/06/2022 /

Mr. Neil Geoffrey Carlisle

Signed by Mr. Neil Geoffrey Carlisle

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