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# Submission to Inquiry - Mr Neil Geoffrey Carlisle

# Part 1 – Name of Inquiry

Name of Inquiry \*

Recognition Of Warlike Service Of Rifle Company Butterworth

#### Part 2 – About the Submitter

Title or Rank \*

<u>Mr</u>

Surname \*

**Carlisle** 

**Given Names \*** 

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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:

Neil Carlisle Regimental no. 212475 Rank Private Unit 89 RAR D Company Rifleman SLR Rifle D Company did pre deployment training and administrative requirements prior to being deployed to Malaysia. Briefings regarding the political, tactical and local situation were given for the tour to Malaysia. The company carried out DP1. The company practiced section, Platoon and company sized tactical drills for various situations that could possibly occur. These things mentioned are all normal procedure prior to deployment to a war zone. 1st Tour D Company 8/9 RAR (I can't find the exact dates, I am using my memory) NOV 78 - FEB 79 Rifleman SLR. D Coy landed at Alor Star in the state of Kedah Malaysia by C130. D Coy trained with the MAF prior to the move to Butterworth. DCoy worked with the Malaysian Army for 4 week in the area and on the Malaysian/Thai border. Whilst on Exercise Harigaroo 1 the company was issued with 20 live rounds each for the rifle and 100 live rounds for the machine guns along with the blank rounds that we were carrying for exercise purposes. Prior to departing Alor Star for Butterworth I spoke to a Malaysian soldier who was on crutches and had only 1 foot. I asked him what had happened to him. He said that he was on patrol on the border and he stepped on a mine and he was being discharged from the Army. RCB provided protection of the perimeter around BAB This duty was filled by a Quick Reaction Force which was called out at least twice per night to attend an emergency call out by the RAAF. The QRF mounted on the back of the QRF truck which had a large searchlight and a fully.

armed section with live rounds. There was 1 soldier in the arms coat 24/7 armed with an M16 and 20 rounds of live ammunition to guard the coy weapons within.Rules of Engagement were given verbally. We learnt the phrase "Berhenti Atu Saya Tembah" meaning "Stop or I will shoot". To be called out 3 times before firing. 2ND Tour 8/9RAR B Coy Private Rifleman SLR DEC 80- FEB 81. As per previous Butterworth Tour. 3RD Tour 2/4 RAR D Coy Corporal Section Commander As above.DEC 87- FEB 89 We want RCB service met warlike service criteria Service for VEA BAB declared an active service area AASM with Clasp MALAYSIA Returned active service badge (RASB)

## Part 4 - Your submission and Supporting Documentation

File Attached:

### Part 5 – Consent and declaration

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- ✓ 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

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Signed by Mr Neil Geoffrey Carlisle Signed on: 30 June, 2022

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