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Submission to Inquiry - Warrant Officer (Retd) RON MARSH

Part 1 – Name of Inquiry

Name of Inquiry *

Medallic recognition for service with Rifle Company Butterworth

Part 2 – About the Submitter

Title or Rank *

Warrant Officer (Retd)

Given Names *

RON

Surname *

MARSH

Post-nominals (if applicable)

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State *

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Primary Contact Number *

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Secondary Contact Number

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

Part 3 – Desired outcome

Provide a summary of your submission:

As a RAAF radio aircraft technician for the Mirage fighter aircraft I was posted to two tours of duty at Air Base Butterworth from 1979 to 1982 and 1985 to 1987. I have noted that several RCB personnel in their submissions to this enquiry have stated that they were required to remain and sleep in the Base Armoury with live ammunition. I wish to point out that during my first tour of duty RAAF personnel, myself included, were also on a rotating roster, especially weekends, to sleep overnight inside the locked Armoury with live ammunition. We

were not permitted to leave the Armoury under any circumstances while on that duty. Our food was brought to us by the Service police.

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

Ron Marsh

Date

15/05/2023

Warrant Officer (Retd)

RON MARSH

Signed by Warrant Officer (Retd) RON MARSH

Signed on: 15 May, 2023

Signature Certificate

