

*Revocation of General Court-martial Warrant Given Under Section 6 of the Visiting Forces Act 1939*

BERNARD FERGUSSON, Governor-General

To: The General Officer Commanding, 17 Gurkha Division/Malaya Area.

WHEREAS I am empowered by the New Zealand Army Act 1950 to authorise and empower you from time to time and as occasion may require to convene general Courts Martial for the trial of any person subject to military law who is charged with an offence for which such person may be tried by general Court Martial and to confirm the findings and sentences of such Courts Martial, and also to authorise and empower you to delegate such of these powers as you may think fit to any officer under your command or jurisdiction not below the rank of field officer:

And whereas by Warrant dated the 19th day of August 1957 the power and authority as aforesaid was granted to you:

And whereas owing to a change in the designation of your command it is necessary to execute a further Court Martial Warrant in substitution thereof:

Now therefore I, Brigadier Sir Bernard Edward Fergusson, the Governor-General of New Zealand, do hereby cancel and revoke the said Warrant dated the 19th day of August 1957 and all Warrants issued thereunder.

As witness the hand of His Excellency the Governor-General this 31st day of May 1963.

DEAN J. EYRE, Minister of Defence.

(Army 222/8/4)

*General Court-martial Warrant Under Section 6 of the Visiting Forces Act 1939*

BERNARD FERGUSSON, Governor-General

To: The General Officer Commanding, 17 Gurkha Division/Malaya Area, for the time being, and his successors.

WHEREAS by section 6 (4) (b) of the Visiting Forces Act 1939 (New Zealand) it is provided that when a home force and another force are acting in combination any officer of the other force duly appointed to command the combined force, or any part thereof, shall be treated and shall have over members of the home force the like powers of command, arrest, and punishment, and may be invested with the like authority to convene and confirm the findings and sentences of Courts Martial as if he were an officer of the home force of relative rank and holding the same command:

And whereas by the New Zealand Army Regular Force (Visiting Forces) Order 1955, issued pursuant to section 6 (5) of the aforesaid Act, it was declared that the portion of the New Zealand Army Regular Force that is for the time being serving as part of the Far East Land Forces, is serving together and acting in combination with the portions of the military forces of Her Majesty, other than those raised in New Zealand, to which section 6 of the Visiting Forces Act 1939 applies, and with which the said portion of the New Zealand Army Regular Force is for the time being serving as part of the Far East Land Forces:

And whereas the aforesaid order remains in full force and effect:

And whereas you have been for the time being appointed to command that part of the Far East Land Forces being the 17 Gurkha Division/Malaya Area:

Now, therefore, pursuant to the New Zealand Army Act 1950 and the Visiting Forces Act 1939, I, Brigadier Sir Bernard Edward Fergusson, the Governor-General of New Zealand, hereby authorise and empower you from time to time and as occasion may require to convene general Courts Martial for the trial of such persons subject to military law as members of the aforesaid portion of the New Zealand Army Regular Force as are for the time being under or within the territorial limits of your command who shall be charged with any offence against the New Zealand Army Act for which they may be tried by Court Martial whether such offences shall have been committed before or after the date of this Warrant or the date you shall have taken upon yourself the command, and I do hereby authorise and empower you to confirm the findings and sentences of such general Courts Martial, but not to confirm in the case of officers any sentences of dismissal from Her Majesty's service or any greater punishment and in the case of soldiers any sentence of discharge with ignominy from Her Majesty's service, and imprisonment or detention exceeding 12 months or any greater punishment, and to cause any sentence thereof to be put into execution so far as you may lawfully so do under New Zealand military law:

And I do hereby further authorise and empower you to delegate to any officer under your command not below the rank of field officer a general authority to convene general Courts Martial for the trial of such persons subject to military law as members of the aforesaid portion of the New Zealand Army Regular Force as are for the time being under or within the territorial limits of his command, whether the offences shall have been committed before or after such officer shall have taken upon him his command, but not the power to confirm the findings and sentences of such Courts Martial:

I direct that the proceedings of every general Court Martial or of every district Court Martial convened by that last-mentioned officer shall be reserved for confirmation by you in accordance with this Warrant; and that in all cases where your power to confirm is restricted by the terms of this Warrant the proceedings shall be reserved for confirmation by the Adjutant-General of the New Zealand Army:

And lastly I authorise and empower you to appoint and to delegate to any qualified officer as aforesaid the power of appointing a fit and proper person from time to time for executing the office of Judge Advocate at any such Court Martial for the more orderly proceedings of the same:

And for executing the several powers, matters, and things herein expressed, this Warrant shall be to you, and to others whom it may concern, a sufficient Warrant and authority:

And I declare that this Warrant shall without ratification extend to and invest with the aforesaid authorities and powers your successors and any officer for the time being appointed as Acting General Officer Commanding, 17 Gurkha Division/Malaya Area.

As witness the hand of His Excellency the Governor-General this 31st day of May 1963.

DEAN J. EYRE, Minister of Defence.

(Army 222/8/4)

*Appointment of Member of the New Zealand Naval Board*

His Excellency the Governor-General has, pursuant to the Navy Act 1954, approved the appointment of Rear-Admiral Richard Everley Washbourn, C.B., D.S.O., O.B.E. (RN, Retired List), as First Naval Member of the New Zealand Naval Board and Chief of the Naval Staff in succession to Rear-Admiral P. Phipps, C.B.E., D.S.C. AND BAR, V.R.D., with effect from 1 July 1963, and also approved the appointment of Rear-Admiral Washbourn to the Supplementary List of Officers of the Royal New Zealand Navy for a period of three years from 26 June 1963.

Dated at Wellington this 7th day of June 1963.

DEAN J. EYRE, Minister of Defence.

*Appointments, Extensions of Commissions, Transfers, and Terminations of Commissions of Officers of the Royal New Zealand Air Force*

PURSUANT to section 15 of the Royal New Zealand Air Force Act 1950, His Excellency the Governor-General has been pleased to approve the following appointments, extensions of commissions, transfers, and terminations of commissions of officers of the Royal New Zealand Air Force.

REGULAR AIR FORCE

GENERAL DUTIES BRANCH

*Appointment*

Trevor Thomas Bland (133912) is granted a short-service commission in the General Duties Branch, Regular Air Force, for a period ending 27 May 1968 to be followed by four years in the Reserve of Air Force Officers. He is appointed in the rank of Flying Officer with seniority from 28 May 1961, with effect from 28 May 1963.

*Extension of Commission*

Flight Lieutenant Kenneth Leslie Thorn (76080) is granted an extension of his commission until 31 January 1967.

ADMINISTRATIVE AND SUPPLY BRANCH

*Appointment*

Equipment Division

Kenneth Vaughan Ormsby is granted an Honorary commission in the rank of Squadron Leader, with effect from 21 May 1963.

*Transfer to Retired List*

Flight Lieutenant Cecil Frederick Sweet (70527) is transferred to the Retired List "A", with effect from 12 August 1963.

*Termination of Commission*

The Honorary commission of Squadron Leader Reginald Vernon Free, M.C., is terminated, with effect from 1 May 1963.

TERRITORIAL AIR FORCE

ADMINISTRATIVE AND SUPPLY BRANCH

*Transfer*

Special Duties Division

Flight Lieutenant John Desmond Ford (775088) is transferred from the General Duties Branch, Reserve of Air Force Officers, to the Administrative and Supply Branch (Special Duties Division), Territorial Air Force, for a period ending 29 February 1968 to be followed by four years in the Reserve of Air Force Officers, with effect from 1 March 1963.