



**SENATOR THE HON JOE LUDWIG**

Cabinet Secretary  
Special Minister of State  
Manager of Government Business in the Senate  
Senator for Queensland

Reference no: B09/1640

Her Excellency Ms Quentin Bryce AC  
Governor-General of the Commonwealth of Australia  
Government House  
CANBERRA ACT 2600

Your Excellency

I seek your approval of an amendment to the *Humanitarian Overseas Service Medal (2004 Indian Ocean Tsunami and Other Natural Disasters Relief) Determination 2007* ('the Indian Ocean determination').

The *Humanitarian Overseas Service Medal* (HOSM) was created in 1999 to recognise Australians rendering humanitarian aid overseas in hazardous circumstances. In 2005, new regulations extended eligibility for the HOSM so that humanitarian operations following the 2004 Indian Ocean tsunami and other natural disasters could be recognised. The Indian Ocean determination establishes the organisations with which eligible service may be given to qualify for the HOSM in respect of post-tsunami humanitarian operations.

The proposed amendment to the Indian Ocean determination would add the "Australian contingent to the humanitarian operation of GE Infrastructure, Water & Process Technologies" to the schedule of eligible organisations. I have been briefed on the details of this group's disaster relief operation in Sumatra and confirm that it meets the purpose of the HOSM as well as the place and time requirements for the Indian Ocean operation.

I recommend that you approve the enclosed instrument.

Yours sincerely

**JOE LUDWIG**

November 2009



## **Humanitarian Overseas Service Medal (2004 Indian Ocean Tsunami and Other Natural Disasters Relief) Amendment Determination 2009 (No. 1)**

*Humanitarian Overseas Service Medal (2004 Indian Ocean  
Tsunami and Other Natural Disasters Relief) Regulations 2005*

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I, QUENTIN BRYCE, Governor-General of the Commonwealth of Australia, acting on the recommendation of the Cabinet Secretary, make this Determination under subregulation 3 (2) of the *Humanitarian Overseas Service Medal (2004 Indian Ocean Tsunami and Other Natural Disasters Relief) Regulations 2005*.

Dated 2009

Governor-General

By Her Excellency's Command

JOSEPH LUDWIG  
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## Section 1

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### 2 Amendment of *Humanitarian Overseas Service Medal (2004 Indian Ocean Tsunami and Other Natural Disasters Relief) Determination 2007*

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## Schedule 1 Amendment

(section 2)

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