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The KING has been graciously pleased to approve the following awards in recognition of gallantry displayed in flying operations against the enemy:—

Distinguished Flying Cross.

Acting Squadron Leader Edward Patrick Gordon MOYNA (64317), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve.

This officer has participated in a large number of sorties against a wide variety of important and well defended targets. He has displayed exceptional skill and great gallantry and his efforts to make every sortie a success have set an example of the highest order.

Acting Flight Lieutenant Gordon Grant SUTHERLAND, D.F.M. (Can/J.16044), Royal Canadian Air Force, No. 428 (R.C.A.F.) Squadron.

This officer has completed a very large number of sorties, many of them against targets in the Middle East. He has proved himself to be a resourceful and skilful pilot, whose determination in pressing home his attacks has set a fine example.

Flying Officer Harold Cherberd BRYANT (143598), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 514 Squadron.

This officer was the mid-upper gunner of an aircraft detailed to attack Frankfurt one night in March, 1944. Whilst on the bombing run the windscreen on the starboard side of his turret was shattered. An article of stores was seen to be on fire close to an ammunition tank. The danger was averted by Flying Officer Bryant, however, who acted with great promptitude and ejected the burning article through the broken windscreen. Although his turret could not be rotated mechanically, while the windscreen was shattered, Flying Officer Bryant insisted on manning the position and remained alert to the possibility of fighter interference. His oxygen tube had been severed by flying splinters but he resourcefully maintained his supply by holding the severed ends together. This officer displayed great courage, fortitude and devotion to duty.

Flying Officer Cyril Frederick RIDGERS (Can/J.14577), Royal Canadian Air Force, No. 408 (R.C.A.F.) Squadron.

Flying Officer Ridgers has participated in very many sorties, including 14 attacks on Berlin. Throughout, he has displayed a high standard of navigational ability which has been reflected in the many successes achieved. His example of keenness and devotion to duty has been highly commendable.

Flying Officer Douglas Jackson TURNER (124818), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 248 Squadron.

In attacks on enemy shipping this officer has displayed leadership, skill and courage of a high order. In March, 1944, he led a formation of aircraft which attacked a convoy of 4 ships. Four days later he flew the leading aircraft of a formation which attacked an escorted U-boat and two days afterwards he participated in an attack on a convoy consisting of two U-boats and several ships. In all these attacks, Flying Officer Turner displayed outstanding determination, setting a splendid example.

Pilot Officer Donald Albert BERRY (Can/J.18864), Royal Canadian Air Force, No. 426 (R.C.A.F.) Squadron.

This officer has participated in many attacks on distant and heavily defended targets, including 8 on the capital of the German Reich. He has invariably displayed commendable courage and determination and his example has greatly inspired his crew. On one occasion, following an attack on Berlin, his aircraft sustained much damage but he flew it back to base.

Pilot Officer Frank GRIFFITHS (168661), Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, No. 619 Squadron.

This officer was the pilot of an aircraft detailed to attack Berlin one night in March, 1944. When nearing the target the aircraft was attacked by a fighter. One engine was put out of action and damage was sustained to the ailerons and the elevators. In spite of this, Pilot Officer Griffiths cleverly manoeuvred to a position from which his rear gunner was enabled to engage the attacker to good effect. Pilot Officer Griffiths then continued to the target which he successfully bombed and afterwards flew the damaged aircraft back to this country. This officer has completed many sorties and has invariably displayed great skill, courage and devotion to duty.

Pilot Officer James Robert MORRISON (Can/J.18937), Royal Canadian Air Force, No. 419 (R.C.A.F.) Squadron.

This officer is a most efficient and determined captain of aircraft whose example has been reflected in the fine fighting qualities of his crew. On several occasions his aircraft has been attacked by fighters and sustained damage. Nevertheless, he has flown back to base each time. He has set an example of a high order.

Pilot Officer Reginald Norman MULLINS (Aus.410691), Royal Australian Air Force, No. 460 (R.A.A.F.) Squadron.

One night in March, 1944, this officer piloted an aircraft detailed to attack Frankfurt. When