



AUSTRALIAN ARMY
C SQUADRON, 1ST ARMOURED REGIMENT
ORDER OF THE DAY

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ORDER

1. C Squadron, 1st Armoured Regiment was formed in 1954 and is steeped in history and traditions. In 1968, C Squadron deployed to Vietnam under the command of Major Peter Badman, where they performed with Courage and Distinction. Over the period of May to June 1968, C Squadron were positioned at Fire Support Base Coral and Fire Support Base Balmoral to provide close support to Delta Company, 3rd Battalion, Royal Australian Regiment and Charlie Company, 1st Battalion, Royal Australian Regiment. Whilst in these locations, they were involved in a number of battles with well-trained North Vietnamese Troops.

2. In April 2018 the Governor General of Australia, General Sir Peter Cosgrove AK MC (Retired) approved the awarding of The Unit Citation for Gallantry to C Squadron, 1st Armoured Regiment, for its involvement in the Battle of Coral-Balmoral.

3. To honour the memory of those who served in Vietnam, C Squadron vehicles will bear the following names that have reverence to the Coral-Balmoral period:

- a. **V3C – CORAL-BALMORAL**
- b. **V3F – CALLIS (TP SGT 31)**
- c. **V31 – CLUGSTON (Driver 31C)**
- d. **V32 – CROWE (Gunner 32A)**
- e. **V33B – CANNIBAL (CPL Mick Rainey's Tank)**
- f. **V33 – CARRA (Gunner 32C).**

4. This order is issued by my command.

A Murgatroyd
Major
Officer Commanding

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