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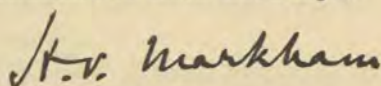
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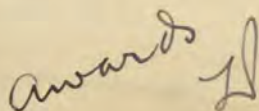
16th August 1945.

The following Orders having been approved by My Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty are hereby promulgated for information and guidance and necessary action.

By Command of Their Lordships,



To Commanders-in-Chief, Flag Officers, Senior Naval Officers, Captains and Commanding Officers of H.M. Ships, Vessels and C.O. Craft (see A.F.O. 1628/45), Superintendents or Officers in Charge of H.M. Naval Establishments, and Admiralty Overseers concerned.



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The scale of distribution is shown in the Admiralty Fleet Order Volume, 1941, Instructions, paragraph 10.

***4542.—Manpower—Re-allocation—Block Release in Class B—Bricks, Pipes, Tiles, Fireclay Goods Making**

(C.W. 36653/45.—16 Aug. 1945.)

The ratings shown below have been nominated for Block release in accordance with B.R. 1281 (1), Release Instructions.

Industry Group MA Bricks, Pipes, Tiles, Fireclay Goods making.

Domicile England, Scotland or Wales.

SECTION I

Occupational Classification 257.1 Foreman, Chargehand.

Ackerman, R.	...	D/JX.313708	...	A.B....	...	H.M.S. "President III"
Edlin, C. M.	...	C/JX.278550	...	A.B....	...	H.M.S. "Canopus"
Fell, C.	...	P/JX.334316	...	A.B....	...	H.M.S. "Chiddingfold"
Gittoes, H. W.	...	P/JX.313677	...	A.B....	...	H.M.S. "Victory"

SECTION II

Occupational Classification 257.12 Mould maker.

Seaman Branch—

Harvey, L.	...	D/JX.305820	...	A.B....	...	H.M.S. "Drake"
Lamb, J. J.	...	C/JX.337561	...	A.B....	...	H.M.S. "President III"

Communications Branch—

Dunn, C. B. N.	...	P/JX.674266	...	Sig.	...	H.M.S. "Collingwood"
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Naval Air Branch

Wilson, J.	...	FAA/FX.518617	Air Fitter		H.M.S. "Hornbill"
			(NA)		

SECTION III

Occupational Classification 257.18 Sorter, Examiner.

Franklin, S.	...	D/JX.266047	...	A.B....	...	H.M.S. "Drake"
Glover, P. R.	...	P/JX.381126	...	A.B....	...	H.M.S. "Victory"
Jones, J.	...	LT/JX.213977	Sea.	...	...	H.M.S. "Blackwater"
Nuttall, E. E.	...	LT/JX.261741	Sea.	...	...	B.Y.M.S. "2057"

***4543.—Manpower—Re-allocation—Block Releases in Class B—Civil Engineering**

(C.W. 36653/45.—16 Aug. 1945.)

The ratings shown below have been nominated for Block release in Class B in accordance with B.R. 1281 (1), Release Instructions.

Industry Group Not applicable.

Domicile England, Scotland or Wales.

SECTION I

Occupational Classification 052.7 Crane driver.

Jackson, J.	...	P/JX.696479	...	A.B....	...	H.M.S. "Curlew"
Nash, E.	...	LT/JX.284903	Sea.	...	...	H.M.S. "Europa"

SECTION II

Occupational Classification 052.15 Navvy driver.

Seaman Branch—

Braxton, F. F.	...	P/JX.274174	...	A.B....	...	H.M.S. "Romney"
Speck, T. A.	...	C/JX.218444	...	A.B....	...	H.M.S. "Pembroke"

Engine Room Branch—

Guymer, S. W.	...	LT/KX.139567	Engineman...		H.M.S. "Europa"
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Naval Air Branch

Pearce, E. H.	...	FAA/JX.274297	Air Fitter	...	H.M.S. "Romney"
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SECTION III

Occupational Classification 052.16 Caterpillar tractor, grader, scraper, dumper, bulldozer driver.

Seaman Branch—

Dumont, W.	...	LT/JX.205519	L/Sea.	...	H.M.S. "Europa"
True, E.	...	C/JX.277984	A.B....	...	H.M.S. "Wildfire"

Engine Room Branch—

Bollen, F.	...	P/MX.98101	E.R.A. 4th Cl.	H.M.S. "Warren"
Payne, D. H.	...	LT/KX.139456	Engineman...	M.L. "1292"

Supply and Secretariat Branch—

Davies, W. J.	...	D/LX.25128	Steward	...	H.M.S. "Speaker"
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SECTION IV

Occupational Classification 052.32 Engineering Rigger.

Dodgshon, R. C.	...	D/X.9501B	P.O....	...	H.M.S. "Bligh"
George, D. E.	...	D/X.10656B	A.B....	...	H.M.S. "Empress"
Graham, T. H.	...	D/X.7937C	P.O....	...	H.M.S. "Kenya"
Reid, F. E.	...	LT/JX.202322	L/Sea.	...	H.M.S. "Aeolus"
White, G. J.	...	C/SSX.13308	P.O....	...	H.M.S. "Queen of Thanet"
Williams, J.	...	D/MDX.1047	L/Sea.	...	H.M.S. "Wilton"

SECTION V

Occupational Classification 052.36 Slinger, crane slinger.

Drury, W. J.	...	P/JX.201302	A.B....	...	H.M.S. "Porcupine"
Gauld, D.	...	P/CDX.1306	L/Sea.	...	H.M.S. "Stork"
Guyver, W. F.	...	C/X.18211A	A.B....	...	H.M.S. "Nigeria"
Stuttard, G.	...	P/JX.171228	A.B....	...	H.M.S. "Montclare"

***4544.—Manpower—Re-allocation—Block Releases in Class B—Pottery, Earthenware, China, Porcelain, Glazed Tiles**

(C.W. 36653/45.—16 Aug. 1945.)

The ratings shown below have been nominated for Block release in Class B in accordance with B.R. 1281 (1), Release Instructions.

Industry Group MB Pottery, Earthenware, China, Porcelain, Glazed Tiles.

Domicile England, Scotland or Wales.

SECTION I

Occupational Classification 243.6 Slip maker.

Cotton, G. V.	...	LT/JX.255707	L/Sea.	...	H.M.S. "Europa"
Fairlamb, R. H.	...	P/JX.392777	A.B....	...	H.M.S. "President III"
Hill, J. W.	...	R/JX.436936	A.B....	...	H.M.S. "Rooke"
Robertson, F. J.	...	D/JX.418149	A.B....	...	H.M.S. "St. Christopher"

SECTION II

Occupational Classification 244.2 Pottery Modeller.

Adams, T.	...	P/JX.236390	A.B....	...	H.M.S. "Lanka"
Cooke, F. P.	...	P/JX.176448	A.B....	...	H.M.S. "Mayina"
Marshall, H.	...	P/JX.212195	A.B....	...	H.M.S. "Emperor"
Parsons, F. G.	...	C/JX.277133	A.B....	...	H.M.S. "Indomitable"
Paskin, P....	...	LT/JX.186500	Sea.	...	M.M.S. "275"
Rushton, A.	...	D/JX.256692	A.B....	...	H.M.S. "Bherunda"
Williams, H.	...	LT/JX.232486	Sea.	...	H.M.S. "Europa"

SECTION III

Occupational Classification 246.20 Sanitary Caster.

Seaman Branch—

Boden, B. ...	P/JX.182761 ...	A.B....	...	H.M.S. "Copra"
Ellis, G. R. ...	P/SSX.17550 ...	P.O....	...	H.M.S. "Dartmouth"
Jones, E. ...	LT/JX.253498	Sea. ...	...	H.M.S. "Europa"
Marshall, J. ...	P/JX.237151 ...	A.B....	...	H.M.S. "Victory"
Quinn, C. ...	C/JX.205756 ...	A.B....	...	H.M.S. "Sheba"
Twigg, L. ...	D/JX.269538 ...	A.B....	...	H.M.S. "Venus"
Walbridge, J. ...	P/JX.228532 ...	Wireman	...	H.M.S. "Flora"

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Communications Branch—

Dutton, S. ... P/JX.233593 ... Sig. ... L.S.T. "2"

***4545.—Manpower—Re-Allocation—Block Releases in Class B—Police**

(C.W. 27035/45.—16 Aug. 1945.)

The following amendments are to be made to A.F.O. 4237/45.

Engine Room Branch—

Ludlam, V., and Overy, J. G. For "E.A. 4th Cl." read "E.R.A. 4th Cl."

(A.F.O. 4237/45.)

***4546.—Manpower—Re-Allocation—Block Releases in Class B—Police**

(C.W. 27035/45.—16 Aug. 1945.)

The following amendments are to be made to A.F.O. 4395/45 :—

Seaman Branch—

Delete Young, S. E.

Naval Air Branch—

Against Hogg, J. G. ... Insert R.M. H.Q., Eastney

Against Hore, C. A. ... Insert H.M.S. "Nabberley"

(A.F.O. 4395/45.)

***4547.—Manpower—Re-Allocation—Release of Men Holding Non-Substantive Rates**

(C.W. 44728/45.—16 Aug. 1945.)

There appears to be some apprehension amongst ratings in the Seaman Branch and in the Royal Marines that men holding higher non-substantive rates, particularly Gunnery and RC/RP rates, will be at a disadvantage in regard to release in comparison with those men holding either lower non-substantive rates or none at all. *This is not so.* It was made quite clear in paragraph 3 of A.F.O. 504/45 that the division into rating groups in most cases ignores non-substantive rate and, therefore, men in each rating group will be released in order of age and service groups irrespective of the non-substantive rating held. Reference to A.F.O. 3995/45 will show the very few non-substantive qualifications that have been taken into account and it is pointed out that all *seamen* holding R.C. and R.P. rates are included with other seamen in rating groups 1, 2 and 3 and that rating groups 50, 51 and 52 are composed of the obsolescent substantive Radar ratings who have not yet transferred to the seaman branch.

2. A particular enquiry concerns the position of rating groups 50, 51 and 52. The intention is that these rating groups should be released in step with their substantive counterparts in rating groups 1, 2 and 3.

3. It has always been realized that under the re-allocation plan severe losses may occur in the higher non-substantive rates. These losses must be made good by training lower non-substantive rates, and, where shortages exist in the non-substantive branch as a whole, by qualifying more 3rd class rates. These shortages are most acute amongst seamen holding RC/RP and Aircraft Handler rates.

4. Commodores and Commandants of manning depots and the Commanding Officers of other ships and establishments concerned are to take all possible steps to encourage men to qualify for higher non-substantive rate and to recruit more men for the 3rd class non-substantive rates where overall shortages will exist. In doing so preference is to be given to Continuous Service ratings, and also to ratings in age and service group 30 and later.

5. If these shortages are not made good in sufficient time, men in lower non-substantive rates and those without non-substantive qualifications will be drafted without a course to fill billets. The ratings concerned will be at a disadvantage through having missed their training and the efficiency of the Fleet will suffer.

(A.F.Os. 504/45 and 3995/45.)

4548.—Manpower—Re-allocation—Married W.R.N.S. Officers and Ratings—Release of

(C.W. 58643/44.—16 Aug. 1945.)

Since the dispersal of married W.R.N.S. officers and ratings who wish to be released will be completed by 31st August, 1945, no further questionnaires are to be forwarded and A.F.O. 892/45 is cancelled.

2. W.R.N.S. officers and ratings are eligible for release on marriage or must sign the undertaking in accordance with B.R. 1281 (1) Release Instructions, paragraph 21.

3. Should a W.R.N.S. officer or rating cease to be married within the definition given in B.R. 1281 (1), paragraph 18, action is to be taken in accordance with B.R. 1081 (2) Instructions for Classification in Age and Service Groups, paragraph 35 (d).

4. In the case of married W.R.N.S. officers or ratings who have completed B.R. 1281 (1), Appendix A, whose family responsibilities change, the completed Appendix A is to be destroyed, D.W.R.N.S. is to be notified in writing and the woman becomes eligible for release.

(B.R. 1081 (2), B.R. 1281 (1).)

(Admiralty General Message 196A, 4 Aug. is cancelled.)

(A.F.Os. 892/45 and 1966/45 are cancelled.)

4549.—Manpower—Re-allocation—Instructions for Release and Dispersal—Dispersals from H.M.S. "Victory X"

(C.W. 35807/45.—16 Aug. 1945.)

A separate division of H.M.S. "Victory" to be known as H.M.S. "Victory X" has been set up for the purpose of dispersing officers and ratings to be released from the Naval Barracks at Portsmouth under B.R.1281(1), paragraph 77.

2. Accounts transferred from H.M.S. "Victory" from sea-going ships in accordance with B.R.1281(1), paragraph 184 (ii), are to be transferred to H.M.S. "Victory X."

3. Accounts of officers and ratings of the Portsmouth Port Division who are discharged to H.M.S. "Victory" from ships abroad under B.R.1281(1), paragraph 79 (i), (iii) and (viii) and paragraph 82, are to be transferred to the appropriate pay division as follows, and are *not* to be transferred to H.M.S. "Victory X" :—

"Victory I"—Seamen.

"Victory II"—Engine-room and Miscellaneous Ratings.

"Victory IV"—Officers and W.R.N.S. Ratings.

4. The Postal Address of the Captains (S), H.M.S. "Victory I," "II" and "IV," is Commercial Chambers, Commercial Road, Portsmouth, and that of the Captain (S), H.M.S. "Victory X," R.N. Camp, Stamshaw, Portsmouth.

(A.F.O. 4228/45 is cancelled.)

4550.—Manpower—Re-allocation—Forms S.161R (Revised)

(C.W. 41005/45, C.W. 42739/45.—16 Aug. 1945.)

Form S.161R, Report of Releases, etc., under the Re-allocation of Manpower Plan, has been revised (May, 1945).

2. On receipt of the revised forms stocks of the old Form S.161R are no longer to be used.

3. The instructions on the cover of the new form are to be amended as follows:—
Paragraph 5. *Insert* new clause (iii)—

“(iii) To the Commanding Officer, H.M.S. “Osprey” for all Submarine Detector ratings. The Commanding Officer, H.M.S. “Osprey” will send the forms, after notation, to the appropriate depot as in (i).”

Remember remaining clauses of this paragraph.

4. When forwarding Forms S.161W and S.161R in respect of W.R.N.S. ratings it is essential to insert in full their categories, e.g. Cook (O), Air Mechanic (A).

5. Attention is drawn to the necessity of rendering Forms S.161R on the day of dispersal in accordance with B.R. 1281 (1), Release Instructions, paragraphs 154 and 164.

(B.R. 1281 (1))

(A.F.O. 3981/45 is cancelled.)

(Admiralty General Message (Home 283 AZ of 3rd August is cancelled.)