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SUBJ/ANNOUNCEMENT AND AUTHORIZATION FOR ISSUANCE OF THE KOREAN
/DEFENSE SERVICE MEDAL (KDSM) FOR NAVY PERSONNEL//

REF/A/DOC/PUBLIC LAW 107-314/02DEC2002//

REF/B/DOC/SECDEFMEMO/03FEB2004//

REF/C/DOC/SECNAVINST 1650.1G/07JAN2002//

NARR/REF A IS PUBLIC LAW 107-314 OF THE NATIONAL DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION ACT
FOR FISCAL YEAR 2003. REF B AUTHORIZES RELEASE OF THE MEDAL AND POLICY
INSTRUCTION. REF C IS THE NAVY AND MARINE CORPS AWARDS MANUAL.//

RMKS/1. PER REFS A AND B, THE KOREAN DEFENSE SERVICE MEDAL (KDSM) IS
AUTHORIZED FOR IMMEDIATE ISSUE FOR QUALIFIED NAVY PERSONNEL WHO HAVE
SERVED IN SUPPORT OF THE DEFENSE OF THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA FROM 28 JULY
1954 TO A FUTURE DATE TO BE DETERMINED BY THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE. THE
AREA OF ELIGIBILITY (AOE) ENCOMPASSES ALL LAND AREA OF THE REPUBLIC OF
KOREA, THE CONTIGUOUS WATER OUT TO 12 NAUTICAL MILES, AND ALL AIR SPACES
ABOVE THE LAND AND WATER AREAS.

2. KOREAN DEFENSE SERVICE MEDAL BASIC ELIGIBILITY:

A. SERVICE MEMBERS MUST HAVE BEEN ASSIGNED, ATTACHED, OR MOBILIZED TO
UNITS OPERATING IN THE AOE AND HAVE BEEN PHYSICALLY DEPLOYED IN THE AREA
OF ELIGIBILITY FOR 30 CONSECUTIVE DAYS OR 60 NONCONSECUTIVE DAYS OR MEET
ONE OF THE FOLLOWING CRITERIA:

(1) BE ENGAGED IN ACTUAL COMBAT DURING AN ARMED ENGAGEMENT,
REGARDLESS OF TIME IN THE AOE.

(2) BE WOUNDED OR INJURED IN THE LINE OF DUTY AND REQUIRE MEDICAL
EVACUATION FROM THE AOE, REGARDLESS OF TIME IN THE AOE.

B. WHILE PARTICIPATING AS A REGULARLY ASSIGNED AIR CREWMEMBER FLYING
SORTIES INTO, OUT OF, WITHIN, OR OVER THE AREA OF ELIGIBILITY IN SUPPORT OF
MILITARY OPERATIONS. SEE ARTICLE 230.11 OF REF C FOR SORTIE QUALIFICATION
GUIDELINES.

C. DUE TO THE EXTENSIVE TIME PERIOD FOR THE KDSM ELIGIBILITY, THE
NONCONSECUTIVE SERVICE PERIOD FOR ELIGIBILITY REMAINS CUMULATIVE
THROUGHOUT THE ENTIRE PERIOD.

3. AWARDING AUTHORITY RESTS WITH COMMANDING OFFICERS AUTHORIZED TO
AWARD THE NAVY AND MARINE CORPS ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL:

A. ACTIVE DUTY AND RESERVE PERSONNEL. COMMANDING OFFICERS SHALL
ENSURE ACTIVE DUTY AND RESERVE NAVY PERSONNEL WHO ARE QUALIFIED PER
PARAGRAPHS 1 AND 2 ARE PROVIDED THE MEDAL AND PROPER DOCUMENTATION
IS COMPLETED. QUALIFIED PERSONNEL SHALL PROVIDE DOCUMENTATION
SUPPORTING SERVICE IN KOREA.

B. VETERANS, RETIREES, NEXT OF KIN. NAVY PERSONNEL HONORABLY
DISCHARGED WHO MEET THE CRITERIA IN PARAGRAPHS 1 AND 2 AND ARE
REQUESTING THE KDSM SHALL SUBMIT A WRITTEN REQUEST INDICATING UNIT AND
DATES ASSIGNED, CURRENT MAILING ADDRESS, A COPY OF THE UNDELETED DD-214
AND ANY DOCUMENTATION SUPPORTING SERVICE IN KOREA TO ONE OF THE
FOLLOWING ADDRESSES:

(1) FOR NAVY PERSONNEL SEPARATED BEFORE 1 JANUARY 1996: NAVY PERSONNEL COMMAND (PERS-312D2), RM 5409, 9700 PAGE AVE, ST. LOUIS, MO 63132-5100.

(2) FOR NAVY PERSONNEL SEPARATED ON 1 JANUARY 1996 OR LATER: NAVY PERSONNEL COMMAND (PERS-312), 5720 INTEGRITY DR, MILLINGTON TN 38055-3120.

C. IN THE ABSENCE OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION TO ESTABLISH ELIGIBILITY FOR THE KDSM, QUALIFIED NAVY VETERANS MAY COMPLETE THE SELF-CERTIFICATION DOCUMENT AVAILABLE ON LINE AT AWARDS.NAVY.MIL.

4. THE KDSM MAY BE AWARDED POSTHUMOUSLY.

5. ONLY ONE AWARD OF THE KDSM IS AUTHORIZED FOR ANY INDIVIDUAL; THEREFORE, NO SERVICE STARS ARE PRESCRIBED.

6. THE KDSM WILL BE POSITIONED AFTER THE GLOBAL WAR ON TERRORISM SERVICE MEDAL AND BEFORE THE ARMED FORCES SERVICE MEDAL.

7. THE KDSM MAY BE PROCURED FROM THE DEFENSE LOGISTICS AGENCY, DEFENSE SUPPLY CENTER (DSC), PHILADELPHIA AFTER 1 MAY 2004 VIA THE NORMAL SUPPLY CHANNELS. ANY ORDERS PLACED PRIOR TO 1 MAY 2004 WILL BE CANCELLED. THE STOCK NUMBER FOR THE KDSM IS 8455-01-512-7138.

8. REF C WILL BE ANNOTATED TO INCLUDE THIS AMENDMENT. FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION, VISIT THE NEW NAVY AWARDS WEBSITE AT AWARDS.NAVY.MIL.

9. RELEASED BY VADM P. A. TRACEY, DIRECTOR NAVY STAFF.//

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