



Defence Force (Home Loans Assistance) (Warlike Service) Declaration 2025

I, MATT KEOGH, Minister for Defence Personnel, make the following Declaration under section 3C of the *Defence Force (Home Loans Assistance) Act 1990*.

Dated 27 March 2025

The Hon Matt Keogh MP
Minister for Defence Personnel

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1 Name

This instrument is the *Defence Force (Home Loans Assistance) (Warlike Service) Declaration 2025*.

2 Commencement

1. Each provision of this instrument specified in column 1 of the table commences, or is taken to have commenced, in accordance with column 2 of the table. Any other statement in column 2 has effect according to its terms.

Commencement information		
Column 1	Column 2	Column 3
Provisions	Commencement	Date/Details
1. The whole of this Instrument.	The day after the instrument is registered.	

Note: this table relates only to the provisions of this instrument as originally made. It will not be amended to deal with any later amendments of this instrument.

2. Any information in column 3 of the table is not part of this instrument. Information may be inserted in this column, or information in it may be edited, in any published version of this instrument.

3 Authority

This instrument is made under section 3C of the *Defence Force (Home Loans Assistance) Act 1990*.

4 Definitions

In this instrument:

Act means the *Defence Force (Home Loans Assistance) Act 1990*.

ADF means the Australian Defence Force (within the meaning of the *Defence Act 1903*).

5 Schedules

Each instrument that is specified in a Schedule to this instrument is amended or repealed as set out in the applicable items in the Schedule concerned, and any other item in a Schedule to this instrument has effect according to its terms.

6 Warlike service

For the purposes of section 3B of the Act, duty on an operation in an item in column A of the following table is warlike service if the duty is performed as a member of the ADF allotted for duty in an area of operation in column B and performed during the period in column C of the same item.

Warlike service			
Item	Column A Name of operation	Column B Area of operation	Column C Period
1	Augury	Afghanistan and its superjacent airspace	On and after 28 April 2016
2	Highroad	Afghanistan and its superjacent airspace	1 January 2015 to 8 October 2021
3	Okra	The land area, territorial waters and superjacent airspace of Iraq	9 August 2014 to 8 September 2015
4	Okra	The land area, territorial waters and superjacent airspace of Iraq and Syria	9 September 2015 to 31 December 2024
5	Slipper	(a) The area bounded by the following coordinates: (i) 48°00'N 81°00'E; (ii) 48°00'N 35°00'E; (iii) 12°00'N 35°00'E; (iv) 12°00'N 81°00'E (b) The Diego Garcia land mass and territorial waters and the superjacent airspace out to 250nm radius (from Reference Point 07 18.6S 072 24.6E)	11 October 2001 to 30 July 2009
6	Slipper	The area bounded by the following geographical coordinates: (a) 39°00'N 78°00'E; (b) 39°00'N 32°00'E; (c) 05°00'S 32°00'E; (d) 05°00'S 78°00'E	31 July 2009 to 19 February 2012

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Item	Column A Name of operation	Column B Area of operation	Column C Period
7	Slipper	The area bounded by the following geographical coordinates: (a) 39°00'N 32°00'E; (b) 39°00'N 78°00'E; (c) 23°00'N 78°00'E; (d) 23°00'N 68°00'E; (e) 11°00'S 68°00'E; (f) 11°00'S 38°00'E; (g) 17°00'N 38°00'E; (h) 17°00'N 32°00'E	20 February 2012 to 30 June 2014
8	Slipper	The area bounded by the land mass and superjacent airspace of Afghanistan	1 July 2014 to 31 December 2014

Schedule 1—Repeals

1 *Defence Force (Home Loans Assistance) (Warlike Service—Operation Highroad) Declaration 2014*

Repeal the whole of the instrument.

2 *Defence Force (Home Loans Assistance) (Warlike Service—Operation Slipper) Declaration 2014*

Repeal the whole of the instrument.

3 *Defence Force (Home Loans Assistance) (Warlike Service—Operation Okra) Declaration 2016*

Repeal the whole of the instrument.

4 *Defence Force (Home Loans Assistance) (Warlike Service—Operation Augury) Declaration 2017*

Repeal the whole of the instrument.