

APPROVED TITLES FOR TAVR UNITS

OFFICIAL approval has been given to new titles for the following TAVR units:—

Provisional Title

Northern Command

1. Northumbrian Volunteers

Southern Command

2. Wessex Yeomanry

Western Command

3. Mercian Yeomanry
4. The Light Infantry and Mercian Volunteers

Approved Title

The Northumbrian Volunteers

The Wessex Yeomanry

The Mercian Yeomanry

The Light Infantry and Mercian Volunteers

New titles for the following units have still to be approved:

- (a) The Nottinghamshire and Derbyshire Regiment (Volunteer).
- (b) 1st Battalion Wessex Volunteers.
- (c) 2nd Battalion Wessex Volunteers.
- (d) The Duke of Lancaster's Own Yeomanry (Royal Tank Regiment).

Efficiency Awards

WE have recently had letters asking whether there was to be any relaxation in the qualifications for the awards of the Efficiency Decoration or Medal to those who through no fault of their own were unable to complete their service because of the recent expansion of Cadres into sub-units.

MOD says that:—

- a. The number of officers and men who cannot be found vacancies in the new units to be formed in the TAVR is likely to be very few and there is, of course, no reason why they should not apply for service in other TAVR units for which they may be suitable.
- b. Officers who are no longer able to serve in TAVR are normally transferred to RARO which does not break continuity of service.
- c. Providing other ranks apply to serve in a TAVR unit within six months of serving in another unit then the continuity of their service for an award is not broken.
- d. However, the position will be closely watched and every case treated on its merits.
- e. MOD will be issuing an instruction on this later.

As far as can be seen this is a very satisfactory reply which will cover all possible cases.

UNIFORM ALLOWANCE

Following a general review of officers' Outfit Allowances for the Army, it is announced that the Uniform Upkeep Allowances for TAVR Officers and Cadets is as follows:

TAVR Male Officers and Cadets:	£5.50
TAVR Women Officers:	£4.00

Senior Appointments

THE Ministry of Defence announce the following appointments:—

General Sir Basil Eugster, KCB, KCVO, CBE, DSO, MC, MA, GOC-in-C Southern Command, to be Commander-in-Chief UK Land Forces on formation of the command on April 1st, 1972.

Lt.-Gen. Sir Mervyn Butler, KCB, CBE, DSO, MC, GOC-in-C Army Strategic Command, to be Commandant, Royal College of Defence Studies, in the rank of General, January 1972.

Maj.-Gen. F. D. King, CB, MBE, Commandant, Royal Military College of Science, to be GOC-in-C Army Strategic Command, in the rank of Lieutenant-General, in November this year, in succession to Lt.-Gen. Sir Mervyn Butler. On April 1st, 1972, when HQ UK Land Forces takes over Army home commands, Maj.-Gen. King will become deputy C-in-C UKLF.

TAVR Honorary Colonels

THE following appointments as Hon. Colonels to TAVR units are announced.

Col. Sir Connydd Traherne is appointed Hon. Colonel 37th (Wessex and Welsh) Sig. Regt. R Signals (V).

Col. D. A. H. Sime is appointed Hon. Colonel 6th (V) Colonel Bn. Queen's Regt.

TAVR Colonel

THE following appointment as TAVR Colonel has recently been announced.

Lt.-Col. B. G. Jones RTC, is appointed Colonel Vols. RTC.