Text of Citation for award of Mentioned-in-Despatches
to Private Barry C. Arthur

Private Barry Arthur enlisted in the Regular Army Supplement on 28th August, 1967 and was allotted to the Royal Australian Infantry. He was posted to 9th Battalion, The Royal Australian Regiment on 1st March, 1968 and arrived in South Vietnam on 13th November, 1968.
On 8th April, 1969, Private Arthur was a stretcher bearer with 1 Platoon, A Company, which contacted a large enemy force in bunkers. In the initial fire-fight, one soldier of the leading section was very seriously wounded.
Private Arthur quickly moved to the wounded man, dragged him behind some partial cover and in spite of the fire of the enemy, calmly dressed his wound and started to apply mouth-to-mouth resuscitation. He continued this treatment until the arrival of the company medical assistant. After several minutes of further treatment, in which Private Arthur assisted, the medical assistant assessed that the wounded man could be moved and together they commenced the slow and hazardous evacuation of the casualty.
During all this time, Private Arthur remained exposed to the enemy's fire, but this in no way deterred him from his endeavour to save the life of his comrade. His quick thinking and personal bravery in tending to the wounded man were exemplary and an inspiration to all members in his platoon.