

# Australian Government



## Department of Defence

### STATEMENT OF SERVICE

**Full Name:** *Henry John COATES AC MBE*

**Service Number:** *17023*

**Category of Service:** *Australian Regular Army*

**Date of Enlistment:** *11 February 1952*

**Date of Discharge:** *30 April 1992*

**Rank on Discharge:** *Lieutenant General*

**Postings/Attachments:**

<i>Royal Military College</i>	<i>11 February 1952</i>
<i>Australian Staff Corps</i>	<i>14 December 1955</i>
<i>1 Armoured Regiment</i>	<i>8 January 1956</i>
<i>10 Light Horse Regiment</i>	<i>6 March 1958</i>
<i>1 Armoured Regiment</i>	<i>17 February 1961</i>
<i>Royal Military College (Staff)</i>	<i>6 December 1962</i>
<i>Long Term Studies</i>	<i>11 February 1966</i>
<i>B Squadron, 3 Cavalry Regiment</i>	<i>13 December 1968</i>
<i>A Squadron, 3 Cavalry Regiment</i>	<i>13 May 1969</i>
<i>B Squadron, 3 Cavalry Regiment</i>	<i>29 April 1970</i>
<i>A Squadron, 3 Cavalry Regiment</i>	<i>7 January 1971</i>
<i>Royal Military College (Staff)</i>	<i>12 May 1971</i>
<i>Long Term Studies</i>	<i>29 January 1974</i>
<i>Headquarters, Field Force Command</i>	<i>17 January 1977</i>
<i>Army Office</i>	<i>4 June 1979</i>
<i>Operations Branch</i>	<i>18 August 1980</i>
<i>Long Term Studies</i>	<i>6 January 1981</i>
<i>Operations Branch</i>	<i>8 February 1982</i>
<i>Royal Military College (Commandant)</i>	<i>7 February 1983</i>
<i>Australian Defence Staff (Washington)</i>	<i>13 February 1984</i>
<i>Headquarters, Australian Defence Force</i>	<i>4 May 1987</i>
<i>Office of the Chief of General Staff</i>	<i>16 April 1990</i>

## **Overseas Service:**

<i>Singapore</i>	<i>15 May 1965 to 14 June 1965</i>
<i>Malaysia</i>	<i>19 August 1965 to 30 August 1965</i>
<i>United Kingdom</i>	<i>31 August 1965 to 6 October 1965</i>
<i>United Kingdom</i>	<i>11 February 1966 to 5 January 1968</i>
<i>Vietnam</i>	<i>29 April 1970 to 12 May 1971</i>
<i>United States</i>	<i>14 March 1975 to 23 January 1977</i>
<i>Irian Jaya</i>	<i>25 July 1978 to 30 July 1978</i>
<i>United States</i>	<i>10 February 1984 to 15 March 1987</i>
<i>Singapore and Thailand</i>	<i>4 July 1990 to 21 July 1990</i>
<i>Singapore and Tonga</i>	<i>8 September 1990 to 22 September 1990</i>
<i>New Zealand</i>	<i>3 December 1990 to 8 December 1990</i>
<i>United States</i>	<i>16 December 1990 to 25 December 1990</i>
<i>West Germany and United Kingdom</i>	<i>18 May 1991 to 27 May 1991</i>
<i>United States and United Kingdom</i>	<i>30 June 1991 to 30 July 1991</i>
<i>Japan and Hong Kong</i>	<i>6 October 1991 to 19 October 1991</i>

## **Honours and Awards:**

*Companion of the Order of Australia*  
*Member of the Order of the British Empire*  
*Australian Active Service Medal 1945-75 with Clasp Vietnam*  
*Defence Force Service Medal with First, Second and Third Clasps*  
*National Medal with First Clasp*  
*Australian Defence Medal*  
*Vietnamese Campaign Medal*  
*Returned from Active Service Badge*

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