

Statement of Principles

concerning

MALARIA

ICD CODE: 084

Veterans' Entitlements Act 1986
subsection 196B(2)

1. Being of the view that there is sound medical-scientific evidence that indicates that **malaria** and **death from malaria** can be related to operational service rendered by veterans, peacekeeping service rendered by members of Peacekeeping forces and hazardous service rendered by members of the Forces, the Repatriation Medical Authority determines, under subsection 196B(2) of the *Veterans' Entitlements Act 1986* (the Act), that the factors that must as a minimum exist before it can be said that a reasonable hypothesis has been raised connecting **malaria** or **death from malaria** with the circumstances of that service, are:
 - (a) being in an area described in the Schedule before the clinical onset of malaria; or
 - (b) inability to obtain appropriate clinical management for malaria.
2. Subject to clause 3 (below) at least one of the factors set out in paragraphs **1(a) to 1(b)** must be related to any service rendered by a person.
3. The factor set out in paragraph **1(b)** applies only where:
 - (a) the person's **malaria** was contracted before a period, or part of a period, of service to which the factor is related; and

- (b) the relationship suggested between the **malaria** and the particular service of a person is a relationship set out in paragraph 8(1)(e), 9(1)(e), 70(5)(d) or 70(5A)(d) of the Act.

4. For the purposes of this Statement of Principles:

“being in an area described in the Schedule” means being in an area indicated by the shaded area on a map contained in the Schedule, at a time when the area is specified by the Schedule, such an area being an area in which the transmission of malaria has occurred;

“ICD code” means a number assigned to a particular kind of injury or disease in the tenth edition of the *International Classification of Diseases* 9th Revision, effective date of 1 October 1993, copyrighted by the US Commission on Professional and Hospital Activities, and having the Library of Congress number 77-94472;

“malaria” means infection by a parasite of the genus *Plasmodium*, being *Plasmodium falciparum*, *P. vivax*, *P. malariae* or *P. ovale*, attracting ICD code 084.

Schedule

Table 1— areas of malarial transmission before 1 January 1950

The following States within the United States of America:

- Alabama
- Arkansas
- California
- Delaware
- District of Columbia
- Florida
- Georgia
- Indiana
- Iowa
- Kansas
- Kentucky
- Louisiana
- Michigan
- Mississippi
- Missouri
- North Carolina
- Ohio
- Oklahoma
- Oregon
- Pennsylvania
- South Carolina
- Tennessee
- Texas
- Virginia
- Washington
- West Virginia
- Wisconsin

Mexico

West Indies

Central America

Colombia

Venezuela

Guyana

Suriname

French Guiana

Brazil

Ecuador

Peru

Bolivia

Paraguay

Table 1 (continued)

Continental Europe, excluding Scandinavia

Finland

Sweden

England

Islands within the Mediterranean Sea

All that part of the continent of Asia south of 60 degrees North, excluding Mongolia

The continent of Africa and related islands, excluding Libya and South Africa

Madagascar

Islands in the Indian Ocean north of 24 degrees South

Indonesia

Japan

Taiwan

Philippines

Malaysia

Singapore

Brunei

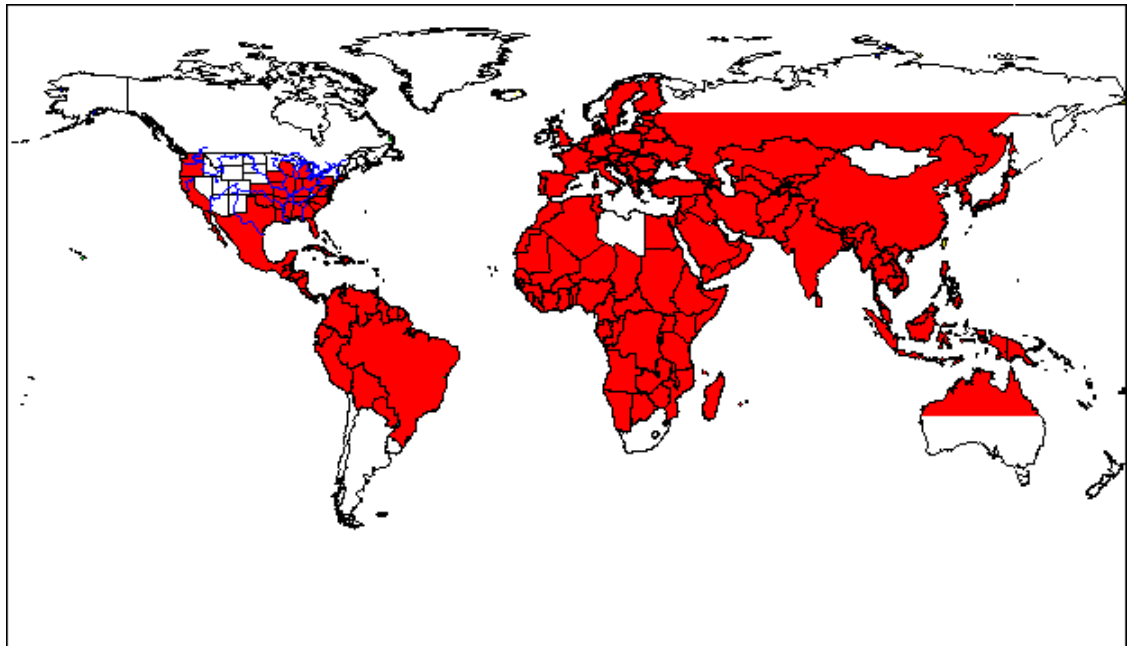
Papua New Guinea

Solomon Islands

New Hebrides

That part of Australia north of 24 degrees South

Note: where an area is identified by the name of a country, the area is the geographic area of the relevant country as at 1995.



Note: the shaded areas shown in the map are indications of the areas described above.

**Table 2— areas of malarial transmission on or after 1 January 1950
but before 1 January 1969**

The following States within the United States of America:

- Alabama
- Arkansas
- Florida
- Georgia
- Illinois
- Indiana
- Kansas
- Louisiana
- Mississippi
- Missouri
- Oklahoma
- South Carolina
- Texas

Mexico

West Indies

Central America

Colombia

Venezuela

Guyana

Suriname

French Guiana

Brazil

Ecuador

Peru

Bolivia

Paraguay

The continent of Africa and related islands, excluding Libya and South Africa

Madagascar

Islands in the Indian Ocean north of 24 degrees South

All that part of the continent of Asia south of 60 degrees North, excluding Europe and Mongolia

Belarus

Ukraine

Greece

Albania

The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia

Bulgaria

Sri Lanka

Malaysia

Indonesia

Taiwan

Philippines

Brunei

Papua New Guinea

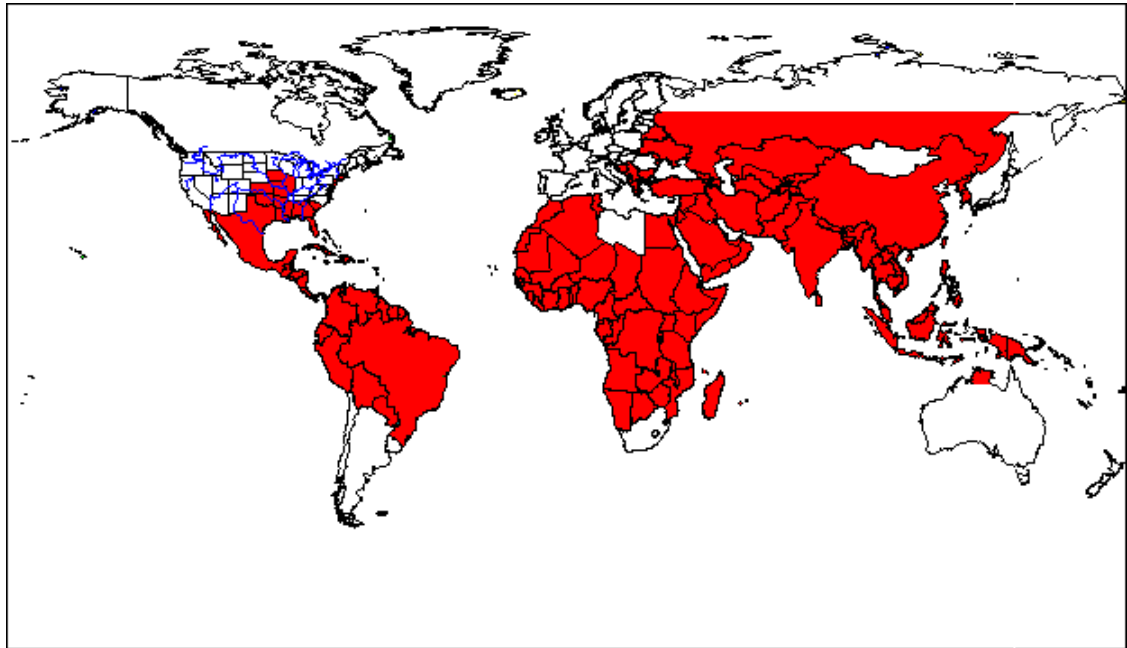
Solomon Islands

New Hebrides

That part of the Northern Territory north of 15 degrees South

Note: where an area is identified by the name of a country, the area is the geographic area of the relevant country as at 1995.

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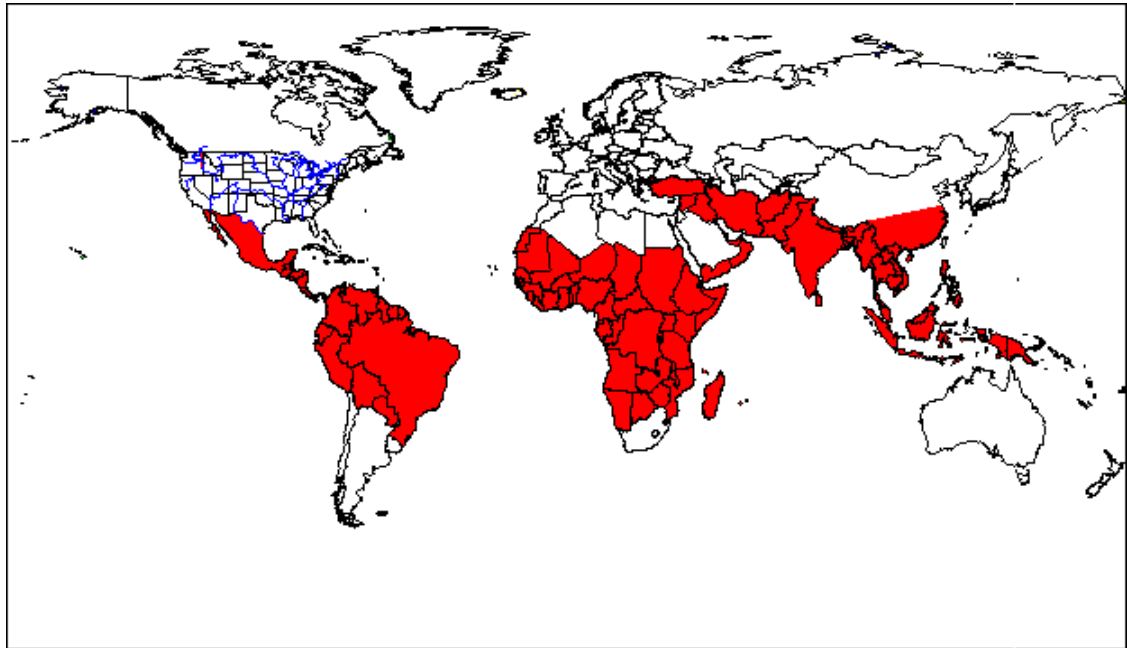


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Table 3—areas of malarial transmission on or after 1 January 1969

Mexico
West Indies
Central America
Colombia
Venezuela
Guyana
Suriname
French Guiana
Brazil
Ecuador
Peru
Bolivia
Paraguay
The continent of Africa and related islands (excluding Libya, Egypt, Algeria, Tunisia, Morocco, South Africa and Lesotho)
Madagascar
Yemen
Turkey
Cyprus
Syria
Iraq
Iran
Jordan
Israel
Lebanon
Afghanistan
Pakistan
India
Bangladesh
Nepal
Bhutan
Sri Lanka
That area of China (excluding Taiwan) south of a line between 30 degrees latitude North, 95 degrees longitude East and 34 degrees latitude North, 120 degrees longitude East.
Myanmar (Burma)
Thailand
Malaysia
Indonesia
Vietnam
Laos
Cambodia
Philippines
Papua New Guinea
Solomon Islands
New Hebrides
Note: where an area is identified by the name of a country, the area is the geographic area of the relevant country as at 1995.

Table 3 (continued)



Note: the shaded areas shown in the map are indications of the areas described above.

Dated this *Twenty-fifth* day of *May* 1995

The Common Seal of the)
Repatriation Medical Authority)
was affixed to this instrument)
in the presence of:)

KEN DONALD
CHAIRMAN