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## THE OFFICIAL GAZETTE 5<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER, 2019 LEGAL SUPPLEMENT — B

**GUYANA** No. 6 of 2019

#### REGULATIONS

Made Under

# THE DEFENCE ACT (Cap. 15:01)

IN EXERCISE OF THE POWERS CONFERRED UPON THE DEFENCE BOARD BY SECTION 212(C) OF THE DEFENCE ACT, THE BOARD MAKES THE FOLLOWING REGULATIONS: -

Citation and commencement.

- 1. (1) These Regulations, which amend the Guyana Defence Force (Pensions and Gratuities) Regulations\*, may be cited as the Guyana Defence Force (Pensions and Gratuities) (Amendment) Regulations 2019.
  - (2) (a) Regulation 2 shall be deemed to have come into operation on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of January, 2015.
    - (b) Regulation 3 shall be deemed to have come into operation on the 10<sup>th</sup> day of October, 1989.

Insertion of regulation 13B in the Principal Regulations.

- 2. The Principal Regulations are amended by the insertion immediately after regulation 13A of the following regulation –
- "Pensions for officers and soldiers with service beyond prescribed limit.

13B. Where an officer or soldier retires on or after attaining the compulsory age for retirement in his rank and has a qualifying service which exceeds the prescribed maximum period of service, the entire period of service rendered by that officer or soldier, notwithstanding anything in the Regulations, shall be taken into account in computing his pension whether or not the pension so computed exceeds the limits prescribed in regulation 13(2):

Provided that the pension granted to him under

this regulation shall not exceed the highest annual rate of salary payable to him at any time in a pensionable office in Guyana.".

Amendment of regulation 15 of the Principal Regulations.

3. Regulation 15 of the Principal Regulations is amended by the substitution for regulation 15 of the following –

"Early retirement at request of an officer or a soldier.

- 15. An officer or a soldier permitted to retire from the Force at his own request before he has attained the age at which he is required by regulation 12 to retire may, at the discretion of the Defence Board, be granted a pension as specified in regulation 13(2) where the officer or soldier
  - (a) is within two years of the required retirement age and has completed the minimum period of service qualifying for a pension; or
  - (b) has completed a minimum of twenty continuous years of service.".

Made this 5 day of Olom, 2019

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PRESIDENT
CHAIRMAN OF THE DEFENCE BOARD