*2431.—Light Director Layer—Eligibility of Royal Marines, ex-R.M.A.

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Consequent on the amalgamation of the two branches of the Royal Marines, the recommendation from sea for the non-substantive rating of Light Director Layer will be waived for Royal Marines, ex-Royal Marine Artillery, Gunlayers, 2nd Class, at present serving on shore, who qualified as Secondary Director Layers under A.F.O. 4019/18, provided they satisfy the sea sickness clause and other requirements.

- 2. The recommendation from sea will still be required for candidates for Light Director Layer from Royal Marines, ex-Royal Marine Artillery, Gunlayers, 2nd Class, serving at sea, and ships in which these men are now serving should recommend suitable men.
- 3. In any case of particular hardship ensuing to Royal Marines, ex-Royal Marine Artillery, Gunlayers, 2nd Class, as a result of the above rulings, there should be little difficulty in obtaining a recommendation from a man's last ship, provided he deserved it.

(A.F.O.s 4019/18 and 1539/19.)

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