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133/79. UNIFORM—BADGES—SPECIAL SKILL BADGE FOR COMMANDO
QUALIFIED RN AND RNR RATINGS (U)

[N/STE236/78/DGST(N)83A]

1. A Special Skill badge is being introduced for wear by Commando qualified RN and RNR ratings. The design of the badge is a representation of the Commando fighting knife.
2. The badge will be awarded on successful completion of the Advanced Commando course and will be worn by RN ratings both while serving in Commando Units and on return to General Service thereafter irrespective of the duties on which they are employed. RNR medical ratings (eg those working with Royal Marines' surgical support teams) will also be eligible to wear the badge if Commando qualified.

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3. The badge is to be worn on the right cuff of uniform jackets and tunics in accordance with Articles 0439(2) and 0441 of BR 81 (*The Uniform Regulations*).
4. Eligible ratings already serving, and those qualifying in the future, are to be given, under the arrangements set out in Item 262 of Appendix 16 to BR 96, an initial gratuitous issue of:
 - a. One No gold and one No red badge.
 - b. Two No embroidered blue badges, when required for tropical uniform.
5. Badges are available from PSTO(N), HM Naval Base, Devonport. Accounting details are set out in the ANNEX.
6. BR 81 will be amended.

ANNEX

<i>Vocab</i>	<i>NATO stock number</i>	<i>Description</i>	<i>Acctg classn</i>	<i>Denom of qty</i>	<i>Cat price £</i>
		Commando fighting knife			
31406	8455-99-132-5670	Embroidered gold on blue	CA	No	4.60
32406	8455-99-132-5880	Embroidered red on blue	CA	No	0.12
30406	8455-99-132-5879	Embroidered blue on white	CA	No	0.11

Fleet Issuing Prices are as shown in ANNEX B to DCI RN 185/78.