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Schedule No. Unit Calgary Highlanders (CIC)

Army No. and Rank 105247 Sergeant

Name Carol Edwin ANDERSON
 (Christian names must be stated)

Action for which commended
 (Date and place of action must be stated)

Recommended by Honour or Reward (To be left blank)

During the initial stages of the attack on 8 February 1945 in which the Calgary Highlanders were to capture the town of WYLER, GERMANY, "A" Company was given the task of clearing the village of VOSSENDAHL and sealing off the main WYLER - KRANNENBERG road.

(R.L. Ellis)
 Lt-Col - Calg Highrs

Advancing on the village, the leading platoon, commanded by Sergeant Anderson found itself in an un-marked, heavily Schu-mined area and under heavy mortar fire, and suffered severe casualties. Unable to advance further until our own artillery barrage lifted, Sgt Anderson made his way through the minefield giving first aid to the wounded. He reported the location of the minefield to his Company Commander who changed the line of advance making it possible for the remainder of the company to avoid this mined area.

W. Mitchell
 COMD, 5 CDN. INF BDE.

Maj Gen
 Comd 2 Cdn Inf Div
 (G.G. Simonds) Lt Gen
 Comd 2 Cdn Corps
 7 Mar 45
 Sgd (H.D. Greer) Gen
 GOC in-C
 First Cdn Army

Sergeant Anderson then returned to his platoon

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and successfully led them through the remainder of the minefield, re-organizing and clearing the VOSSENDAHL area which was vital to the advance of his company on its next objective.

When his platoon came under machine gun fire soon after leaving VOSSENDAHL, Sergeant Anderson, under covering fire from a Bren gun, circled the post alone and rushed it, killing the crew of four with his Sten gun and grenades. They advanced again only to come under fire from another machine gun post after a short distance. Once again, with complete disregard for himself, this NCO crept forward alone, silenced the post and led his depleted platoon forward to its final objective.

Throughout the entire action, Sergeant Anderson displayed exemplary courage and initiative, worthy of the highest praise.

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B. H. Don
FIELD MARSHAL
COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF
11 ARMY GROUP

If a casualty as under, fill in date

Nature of Casualty	Date
Killed in action	
Died of Wounds	
Died	
Missing	
Prisoner of War	