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22 Armd Brigade 7 Armd Division 30 Corps

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Schedule No. (To be left blank) Unit 5 RHA

Brigade 20.6.44
Division 27.44 3.7.44
Corps 8 JUL 1944 12 JUL 1944
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Rank and Army or Personal No. 34436 Major (T/Lt Col)

Name Guy Patrick GREGSON DSO M.C.
(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)

This officer was commanding 5 RHA with 22 Armd Bde on 14 & 15 Jun when the Bde occupied battle positions just WEST of VILLERS BOGAGE, map ref 817578. It was his responsibility to coordinate the fire of his own regt, AGRA and American Artillery in support of the Bde. On the evening of Jun 14 the Bde was heavily attacked by a strong force of enemy infantry and tanks and it was due in the main to the magnificent arty support and the speed and accuracy with which it was brought down that the attack was beaten off with heavy loss to the enemy. Col GREGSON was indefatigable in his efforts and although frequently exposed to enemy shelling and sniping, his tireless energy and sure judgement constituted a major factor in the successful outcome of the battle and the maintenance of the L of C to the rest of the Division. Col Gregson's personal example under shell-fire in visiting his Batteries within a few hundred yards of the enemy was deserving of the highest praise and had an admirable effect on all ranks. I strongly recommend him for the immediate award of a Bar to the DSO.

Brig WRN HINDE
Cond 22 Armd Bde
Immediate Bar to DSO

WRN, Hinde
Brig.

[Handwritten signatures]

MAJ. GEN. COMD. 7 ARMD. DIV.

COMMANDER LIEUT. GENERAL SECOND ARMY.

Lieutenant General P.T.O.
Commander 30 Corps

Awarded Bar to DSO
LG. 31-8-44

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