Cdr Andy Jackman Awarded Meritorious Service Medal for:

"Through his proactive interest in the wider responsibilities for the HQ, Cdr Jackman has delivered a performance well beyond the requirements of his job description. In his two deployments as LNO to CMF he worked tirelessly to promote and facilitate the close cohesion between the two operational headquarters and their forces at sea. By his professionalism, tact and candour he was able to gain the trust of the respective Command Group principals, enabling him to offer highly insightful observations and recommendations that formed a key element in the smooth coordination of multi-national counter-piracy efforts at sea. During his most recent deployment, throughout which there was significant political unrest in Manama, he continued to provide excellent support and outstanding situational awareness as well as leading the NATO team in a calm and effective manner. In the wider staff role Cdr Jackman led a team to review the internal structure of the HQ to optimise the structure in meeting the challenge of running a 24/7 operation alongside maintaining framework outputs. Cdr Jackman has applied his professional knowledge, intellect and diplomacy exceptionally well in successfully progressing the goals of NATO, MC Northwood and Op OCEAN SHIELD - Cdr Jackman is eminently deserving of the award of the NATO MSM."