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**Biographical history:** Hutson, George Chrystal (1908-1967)

George Chrystal Hutson was born on 31 Jan 1908 in Glasgow, Scotland. He was the son of William and Mary Hutson. Educated at the Glasgow Academy from 1917 to 1925, and at the University of Glasgow from 1925 to 1930. Graduated with an MA (Honours) in Modern Languages in 1930, having studied French and Italian. With the outbreak of the Second World War, Hutson was granted a War Substantive Emergency Commission as a 2nd Lieutenant (No.147859) into the Intelligence Corps on 16 Aug 1940. Hutson was then posted as an Intelligence Officer out to the Middle East working in Field Censorship from 16 Aug 1940. On 9 Oct 1940 Hutson was posted to join the Field Censorship Troops in the Sudan, but was eventually posted home on 25 Jul 1944 to the Intelligence Corps Depot. On 11 Feb 1945 he was posted to North West Europe to join the Supreme Headquarters of Allied Forces Europe. Then on 4 Jun 1945 Hutson was posted out to join the Headquarters of Supreme Allied Command South East Asia, but was then posted home to the Intelligence Corps Depot on 1 Aug 1946. With the on-going Jewish Revolt in Palestine, Hutson was granted a Short Service Commission as a Captain on 1 Aug 1945 with seniority backdated to 4 Sept 1945, and he was appointed an Acting Major and then saw service out in Palestine with the Security Intelligence Middle East as an Intelligence Officer from 23 Sept 1946. Posted back home to Depot in the United Kingdom on 23 Apr 1948, he then returned to the Middle East on 9 Aug 1948 on being appointed General Staff Officer 2nd Grade (Intelligence) with the General Staff Intelligence at the General Headquarters of the Middle East Land Forces, and then found himself attached to the Arab Legion. For his Intelligence services to the Arab Legion Hutson was awarded the Jordanian Order of Istiqlal (Companion – 3<sup>rd</sup> Class) as noted in the London Gazette 10 Nov 1953. Hutson was appointed to an Emergency Service Commission on 8 May 1953, and then briefly saw home service from 7 Dec 1953 before being appointed to the Army Headquarters in Melbourne, Australia on 28 Apr 1954. Posted home again from 29 Jun 1956. He was then appointed a General Staff Officer 3rd Grade (Intelligence) with the Headquarters of the British Army of the Rhine in Germany on 12 Sept 1956, but

relinquished his commission on completion of service, 23 May 1961, and was granted the honorary rank of Major. It appears that he retired to live in Australia and died there in 1967 at the age of 59.

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