BIOGRAPHICAL SUMMARY
DIRECTOR GENERAL ARMY MEDICAL SERVICES

Major General H A J Reay, QHP, FRCP (London and Edinburgh), DCH, DTM&H, is to succeed Lieutenant General Sir Richard Bradshaw, KBE, QHP, FRC(Path), FFCM, DTM&H, in May 1981.

Major General Alan Reay was born in 1925 and educated at Lancing College and Edinburgh University where he qualified MB, ChB in 1948. He was commissioned into the RAMC in October 1949 and his first appointment was as RMO to the Devonshire Regiment in Central Pahang, Malaya. In 1950 he was appointed 2IC of 16 Field Ambulance and was mentioned in despatches in 1951. His 3-year tour in the Far East was completed by six months of general practice in charge of the GHQ Medical Centre in Singapore.

On return to UK he went to the Queen Alexandra Military Hospital, Millbank for specialist training in medicine and in 1954 attended the Senior Course at the Royal Army Medical College where he was awarded the Webb Prize in Medicine and later obtained the Diploma in Tropical Medicine and Hygiene. He then proceeded MRCP and subsequently went to BAOR as an OIC Medical Division at BMH Hannover and later BMH Rinteln. In Germany he first encountered the medical impact of the large numbers of military families with young children. His predilection for paediatrics was enhanced by selection as an exchange officer

at the US Army Brook Hospital in Texas, where he received senior residency training. After this, and as one of the three officers who started the Army's Paediatric Service, the next decade was spent alternating between BAOR and Singapore.

After 13 years overseas he returned to UK in 1968 to the Cambridge Military Hospital, Aldershot and in 1973 was appointed Commanding Officer and Paediatrician to the Military Hospital at Colchester. In 1974 he became a Consultant Adviser in Paediatrics with the rank of Brigadier and a year later was appointed as an Honorary Consultant Paediatrician in Outpatients to the Hospital for Sick Children at Great Ormond Street. In 1977 he was posted as Commandant and Postgraduate Dean to the Royal Army Medical College, Millbank and while there he continued his outpatient work at Great Ormond Street. In 1979 he left London on appointment as Director Medical Services, British Army of the Rhine.

Major General Reay was elected to the Fellowship of the Royal College of Physicians of Edinburgh in 1968 and of London in 1972. He is a member of the British Paediatric Association and numerous other learned bodies, and has published many articles on paediatric topics in medical journals. In 1976 he was appointed QHP and in 1979 an Officer of the Order of St John. Major General Reay is married with two sons and two daughters and has a house in Fleet, Hampshire.

New Year Honours 1981

- CB** Maj Gen R N EVANS, QHP, ChB, FFARCS, DTM&H.
- OBE** Lt Col R H HARDIE, MB, ChB, RAMC.
- OBE** Lt Col. P W B SCOTT, MB, BS, MRCPPath, DObstRCOG, DTM&H, RAMC.
- BEM** S/Sgt W J HOUSTON, RAMC.