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DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY  
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**STATE OF VIET-NAM PRESIDENTIAL CITATION.**—Pursuant to a citation dated 7 October 1954 signed by the President of the Council of Ministers, State of Vietnam, Mr. Ngo Dinh Diem, the Ribbon of Friendship was awarded to the following unit.

The device which accompanies this award is authorized for wear by personnel assigned to the unit during August and September 1954 and while serving in Indo-China. It will be removed from the uniform by all personnel prior to departure from that area.

The device is to be worn on the flap of the left breast pocket and will be worn to the wearer's left of the Philippine or Republic of Korea Presidential Unit Citation Badges when either or both of these badges are authorized to be worn.

Military Assistance Advisory Group  
of the United States in Indo-China

During the months of August and September 1954, the members of the Military Assistance Advisory Group assisted to freedom from the terrors of Communist rule in their home territory of North and Central Viet-Nam, hundreds of thousands of men, women, and children. Thanks to the efficient and humanitarian assistance of the members of the Military Assistance Advisory Group these refugees have been given an opportunity to start their lives anew in the free territories of Viet-Nam.

The free people of Viet-Nam express their heartfelt gratitude for this unselfish manifestation of friendship and support.

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY:

M. B. RIDGWAY,  
General, United States Army,  
Chief of Staff.

OFFICIAL:

JOHN A. KLEIN,  
Major General, United States Army,  
The Adjutant General.

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To be distributed on a need-to-know basis to all units and headquarters down to and including companies and batteries and to units and headquarters of comparable size and responsibility.

*NG and USAR:* B.

To be distributed on a need-to-know basis to all units and headquarters down to and including separate battalions (administrative) and to units and headquarters of comparable size and responsibility.