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I. VALOROUS UNIT AWARD. By direction of the Secretary of the Army, under the provisions of paragraph 202.1, AR 672-5-1, the Valorous Unit Award is awarded the following named units of the United States Army for extraordinary heroism while engaged in military operations during the periods indicated:

The citations read as follows:

1. THE 3D SQUADRON, 5TH CAVALRY, 9TH INFANTRY DIVISION
and its assigned and attached units:

Headquarters and Headquarters Troop, 3d Squadron, 5th Cavalry
Troop A, 3d Squadron, 5th Cavalry
Troop B, 3d Squadron, 5th Cavalry
Troop C, 3d Squadron, 5th Cavalry
Company D, 1st Battalion, 5th Cavalry
Company D, 1st Squadron, 9th Cavalry
Company C, 2d Battalion, 5th Cavalry

The 3D SQUADRON, 5TH CAVALRY, 9TH INFANTRY DIVISION and its assigned and attached units distinguished themselves by extraordinary heroism while engaged in military operations on 27 and 28 June 1968 in Quang Tri Province in the Republic of Vietnam. Given the extremely hazardous and difficult mission of seeking out and engaging elements of the 812th North Vietnamese Army Regiment, the squadron made contact with a hostile force in the coastal village of Binh An. Two troops reacted immediately, forming a cordon around the trapped enemy. The men of the 3D SQUADRON, 5TH CAVALRY, launched two valiant assaults against the contained communist forces, but the cornered foe fought stubbornly and darkness prevented a rout of the entrenched enemy. When daybreak came, Troops A and B feinted forward, enabling the men of Troop B to sweep into the village. Although the suicidal defenders put up a bitter battle, the squadron's courageous troopers fought tenaciously as a team and cleared the area of the enemy. The heroic efforts of the cavalrymen killed 233 and captured 44 of the 300-man enemy force. The men of the 3D SQUADRON, 5TH CAVALRY displayed extraordinary heroism and devotion to duty which are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service and reflect distinct credit upon themselves and the Armed Forces of the United States.

2. BATTERY B, 1ST BATTALION, 21ST ARTILLERY, 1ST CAVALRY DIVISION (AIRMOBILE)

BATTERY B, 1ST BATTALION, 21ST ARTILLERY, 1ST CAVALRY DIVISION (AIRMOBILE) distinguished itself by extraordinary heroism while engaged in military operations in the Republic of Vietnam on

30 January 1968. During an enemy assault on Landing Zone "Leslie," the men of the artillery battery exhibited profound discipline under fire, exemplary courage and a determination to defend their position regardless of personal risk in repelling a vicious Communist offensive. American positions were initially battered by a continuous barrage of hostile mortar, recoilless rifle, antitank, and small arms fire which enabled the aggressors to penetrate primary defense positions and threaten the annihilation of the entire contingent. Due entirely to an alert and unanimous response, BATTERY B proved instrumental in halting the onslaught through effective close combat artillery shelling. Those not manning the howitzers were courageously resupplying a vital self-illumination gun or pursuing enemy soldiers moving between the primary defense line and the unit's perimeter. During this six-hour engagement, no one sought shelter despite the tremendous dangers inherent in a vicious firefight of this magnitude. Through their outstanding composure under trying circumstances, brilliant technical skill and exceptional display of gallantry, the men of the battery contributed materially to the free world struggle against Communist aggression in the Republic of Vietnam. The men of BATTERY B displayed extraordinary heroism and devotion to duty in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service and reflected distinct credit upon themselves and the Armed Forces of the United States.

3. THE 585TH ENGINEER COMPANY (DUMP TRUCK)

The 585TH ENGINEER COMPANY (DUMP TRUCK) distinguished itself by extraordinary heroism while engaged in military operations during the period 6 March 1968 to 14 March 1968 in the Republic of Vietnam. While supporting the 937th Engineer Group (Combat) in road improvement projects in the Pleiku/Kontum area, the company was ambushed on 6 March 1968 by a company-size enemy force. The Communist aggressors savagely attacked the American convoy with heavy rocket and mortar fire, but, through an immediate deployment of elements and courageous initiation of combat skill, the hostile force was held off until relief arrived. Despite intense sniper fire, the road was cleared and evacuation accomplished in an exemplary manner. Under similar circumstances on 13 March, another convoy was hit by ambushers. This time the enemy split the vehicle formation and overran its forward section, killing all officers. Only quick and heroic fighting by the 585TH ENGINEER COMPANY prevented the entire convoy from extermination. Initially the attack was so fierce that evacuation helicopters could not land near the zone for nearly an hour. The battalion-size ambush was the largest of the war to that date and the ensuing firefight left forty-eight enemy dead. Again a relief convoy was formed and seven hours later the courageous defenders were evacuated. Through their personal display of gallantry, devotion to duty and remarkable perseverance, the unit contributed immeasurably to the free world support effort in the Republic of Vietnam. The men of the 585TH ENGINEER COMPANY displayed extraordinary heroism and devotion to duty in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service and reflected distinct credit upon themselves and the Armed Forces of the United States.

II. MERITORIOUS UNIT COMMENDATION. By direction of the Secretary of the Army, under the provisions of paragraph 203, AR 672-5-1, the Meritorious Unit Commendation is awarded the following named units of the

United States Army for exceptionally meritorious achievement in the performance of outstanding service during the periods indicated:

The citations read as follows:

1. THE DIVISION SUPPORT COMMAND, 1ST CAVALRY DIVISION (AIRMOBILE) and its assigned units:

Headquarters and Headquarters Company and Band, Support Command
 15th Medical Battalion
 15th Supply and Service Battalion
 27th Maintenance Battalion
 382d Aircraft Maintenance Detachment—for the period 1 June 1967 to 29 February 1968
 478th Aviation Company (Heavy Helicopter)—for the period 1 June 1967 to 29 February 1968

The DIVISION SUPPORT COMMAND, 1ST CAVALRY DIVISION (AIRMOBILE) and its assigned units distinguished themselves in support of military operations in the Republic of Vietnam during the period 1 June 1967 to 31 May 1968. The members of the command demonstrated an alert responsiveness and seemingly limitless capacity for work while providing unprecedented support to units located from Phan Thiet to Khe Sanh. Because of their determination while participating in Operations PERSHING, BOLLING, BYRD, MAC ARTHUR, WALLOWA, GREELY, PERSHING II, JEB STUART I and II, PEGASUS, DELAWARE AND JEB STUART III all logistical and support requirements were met in an exemplary manner. With the onset of the enemy TET Offensive, resupply became difficult and required vast amounts of planning and coordination with more complicated methods of maintaining stockage within besieged base camps. Airdrops were made into Camp Evans and the members of the DIVISION SUPPORT COMMAND recovered the supplies and rushed them to units in combat. The heroic actions of the men during this critical period in maintaining the logistical lifeline in the face of constant enemy attacks gained them the respect and admiration of all with whom they served. Through their unrelenting perseverance, consummate knowledge, and devotion to mission accomplishment, they contributed immeasurably to the free world effort in the Republic of Vietnam. The remarkable proficiency and devotion to duty displayed by the members of the DIVISION SUPPORT COMMAND and its assigned units are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service and reflect distinct credit upon themselves and the Armed Forces of the United States.

2. THE 1ST ENGINEER BATTALION, 1ST INFANTRY DIVISION

The 1ST ENGINEER BATTALION, 1ST INFANTRY DIVISION distinguished itself in support of military operations in the Republic of Vietnam during the period 16 May 1967 to 2 June 1968. Exhibiting brilliant technical skill and remarkable determination, the battalion proved instrumental in rendering continuous engineer support to the 1st Infantry Division and its attached units. With personnel and equipment deployed throughout its 5,000-square-mile area of responsibility, the unit demonstrated a unique ability to respond promptly to urgent mission requirements. The organization excelled in an extensive spectrum of missions and greatly contributed to the war effort through its initiation of essential construction projects associated with numer-

ous strategic routes in the divisional area. One of the battalion's most important tasks was close combat assistance to infantry units and, through excellent service under the most trying conditions, the 1ST ENGINEER BATTALION accomplished its assignment in an exemplary manner. The unit's profound dedication, unequalled professional ability and remarkable motivation contributed significantly to the free world struggle against Communist aggression in the Republic of Vietnam. The remarkable proficiency and devotion to duty displayed by the members of the 1ST ENGINEER BATTALION are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service and reflect distinct credit upon themselves and the Armed Forces of the United States.

3. THE 3D FIELD HOSPITAL and its attached units:

51st Field Hospital
62d Medical Detachment
155th Medical Detachment
629th Medical Detachment

The 3D FIELD HOSPITAL and its attached units distinguished themselves in support of military operations in the Republic of Vietnam during the period 1 July 1967 through 30 June 1968. During this period the hospital admitted 8,749 patients with a total number of patient-care days exceeding 70,300. The esprit de corps of the units was evidenced in their willingness to work long and arduous hours to provide optimal medical care and treatment. The skill and determination of all personnel were particularly manifested during a time when over 1,029 direct battle casualties were treated during a three-month period. As the hospital evolved toward a station type, the 3D FIELD HOSPITAL remained high in morale, and the quality of the treatment performed never diminished. The personnel expended a maximum of effort to ensure high standards of medical care. Numerous projects were implemented, including improved powerplants, air conditioning of specialized wards, and isolation cubicles, to improve the working conditions and patient accommodations. Despite the flooding brought on by the monsoon season, the morale of the units remained high with efforts to eliminate possible recurrence. Through their singular initiative, adaptability to all contingencies and total dedication to mission accomplishment the unit's personnel have contributed immeasurably to the free world struggle against Communist aggression in the Republic of Vietnam. The remarkable proficiency and devotion to duty displayed by the members of the 3D FIELD HOSPITAL are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service and reflect distinct credit upon themselves and the Armed Forces of the United States.

4. THE HEADQUARTERS AND HEADQUARTERS DETACHMENT, 58TH MEDICAL BATTALION

The HEADQUARTERS AND HEADQUARTERS DETACHMENT, 58TH MEDICAL BATTALION distinguished itself in support of military operations in the Republic of Vietnam during the period 1 January 1967 through 30 April 1968. Through exceptional dedication and brilliant technical skill, the detachment provided vital medical support to all free world forces in the theater. In addition to rendering excellent professional care to 45,000 Allied troops, the unit also provided medical and surgical assistance to both prisoners of war and detainees. Showing an intense concern for the welfare of the Vietnamese people, members of the HEADQUARTERS AND HEAD-

QUARTERS DETACHMENT, 58TH MEDICAL BATTALION devoted substantial time and effort to establishing a highly beneficial medical civic action program designed to aid local citizens and refugees in large populous areas. The advice given to area health authorities in the use of available resources proved extremely valuable in improving the health of indigenous personnel. Exhibiting remarkable initiative, the detachment fulfilled numerous additional assignments ranging from the operation of a consolidated motor pool to the securing of command inspection teams. Through its exemplary diligence, untiring perseverance and indomitable drive, the detachment materially contributed to the United States' struggle against Communist aggression in the Republic of Vietnam. The remarkable proficiency and devotion to duty displayed by the members of the HEADQUARTERS AND HEADQUARTERS DETACHMENT, 58TH MEDICAL BATTALION are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service and reflect distinct credit upon themselves and the Armed Forces of the United States.

5. THE 61ST MEDICAL BATTALION and its assigned and attached units:

Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment, 61st Medical Battalion

7th Dispensary—for the period 31 August 1966 to 7 June 1968

105th Medical Detachment—for the period 26 November 1966 to 31 October 1967

128th Medical Detachment—for the period 3 November 1966 to 7 June 1968

136th Dispensary—for the period 30 June 1966 to 7 June 1968

221st General Dispensary—for the period 8 August 1966 to 7 June 1968

241st General Dispensary—for the period 30 June 1966 to 7 June 1968

349th General Dispensary—for the period 30 June 1966 to 7 June 1968

418th Medical Company—for the period 29 June 1966 to 7 June 1968

568th Medical Company—for the period 30 June 1966 to 7 June 1968

The 61ST MEDICAL BATTALION and its assigned and attached units distinguished themselves in support of military operations in the Republic of Vietnam during the period 8 June 1966 to 7 June 1968. The officers and men of the battalion displayed consummate knowledge, and a seemingly limitless capacity for work in providing medical support to free world forces throughout the 16,000 square miles of the II Corps Tactical Zone. The medical support provided Operations ADAMS, GERONIMO, FARRAGUT, SUMMERALL, OREGON and ROSE, through the implementation of forward clearing platoons was praised by the commanding general for its efficiency and expedient manner of handling and treating casualties. Realizing the importance of civic action to the pacification program in the theater, the men of the 61ST MEDICAL BATTALION voluntarily organized a medical civic action program and, through the use of modern medicine, much of the populace received treatment superior to any type previously available. The responsiveness of the battalion has played a significant role in preventing numerous outbreaks of the plague through inoculation, and their efforts in personal hygiene have aided in reducing reoccurrences of communicable diseases. To improve the security of one of the more vulnerable hospitals, the members of the battalion organized a self-help group and successfully built complete hospital facilities within conex's underground which were capable of efficiently handling up to eighty patients at once. Through their unrelenting perseverance and infectious enthusiasm, they contributed immeasurably to the free world struggle against Communist ag-

gression in the Republic of Vietnam. The remarkable proficiency and devotion to duty displayed by the members of the 61ST MEDICAL BATTALION and its assigned and attached units are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service and reflect distinct credit upon themselves and the Armed Forces of the United States.

6. THE 64TH QUARTERMASTER BATTALION (PETROLEUM OPERATING) and its assigned and attached units:

Headquarters Detachment, 64th Quartermaster Battalion

Petroleum Platoon, 223d Supply and Service Company—for the period 1 May 1966 to 31 August 1968

Petroleum Laboratory (Mobile), 223d Supply and Service Company—for the period 20 July 1966 to 31 August 1968

Petroleum Platoon, 506th Supply and Service Company—for the period 1 May 1966 to 15 December 1966

512th Quartermaster Company—for the period 20 November 1966 to 31 August 1968

Petroleum Base Laboratory, 525th Quartermaster Company—for the period 2 May 1967 to 31 August 1968

538th Transportation Company—for the period 6 June 1966 to 31 August 1968

556th Transportation Company—for the period 12 May 1966 to 31 August 1968

Petroleum Platoon, 574th Supply and Service Company—for the period 20 July 1966 to 24 August 1966 and 15 May 1967 to 31 August 1968

Petroleum Platoon, 624th Supply and Service Company—for the period 1 May 1966 to 15 December 1966

47th Transportation Company—for the period 13 November 1966 to 31 August 1968

The 64TH QUARTERMASTER BATTALION (PETROLEUM OPERATING) and its assigned and attached units distinguished themselves in support of military operations in the Republic of Vietnam during the period 15 April 1966 to 31 August 1968. The officers and men of the unit exhibited determined resourcefulness and a seemingly limitless capacity for work in providing petroleum support for free world forces throughout the III Corps Tactical Zone. During this period the battalion delivered more than 300,000,000 gallons of bulk fuel in tank vehicles and drove more than 7,000,000 miles under the most adverse and hazardous conditions in support of such major tactical maneuvers as Operations GADSDEN, BIRMINGHAM, EL PASO I and II, YORKTOWN, AURORA I and II, KAHANA I and II, CEDAR FALLS, PADDINGTON, JUNCTION CITY, CORONADO IV, and ENTERPRISE. Because of their resolute courage in the face of the enemy, no operation was delayed because of petroleum unavailability. Further, the Binh Loi-Tan Son Nhut pipeline operated by the 64TH QUARTERMASTER BATTALION supplied more than 190,000,000 gallons of fuel to the Ton Son Nhut areas with remarkable efficiency. Through their unrelenting perseverance, consummate knowledge and devotion to mission accomplishment, the members of the unit contributed immeasurably to the free world struggle against Communist aggression in the Republic of Vietnam. The remarkable proficiency and devotion to duty displayed by the members of the 64TH QUARTERMASTER

BATTALION are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service and reflect distinct credit upon themselves and the Armed Forces of the United States.

7. THE HEADQUARTERS AND HEADQUARTERS DETACHMENT, 68TH MEDICAL GROUP and its attached unit:

667th Medical Company—for the period 16 February 1968 to 30 September 1968

The HEADQUARTERS AND HEADQUARTERS DETACHMENT, 68TH MEDICAL GROUP and its attached unit, distinguished themselves in support of military operations in the Republic of Vietnam during the period 1 March 1967 to 30 September 1968. Demonstrating excellent professional skill and unrelenting perseverance, the detachment provided vital support assistance to all allied forces in the theater. Performing a multitude of assigned responsibilities ranging from actual hospitalization of patients to the rendering of legal advisory assistance, the unit effectively discharged each task with minimum delay. One of its foremost accomplishments was the provision of excellent tributed immeasurably to the free world medical effort in the Republic of combat patients. In addition, the organization assisted in giving comprehensive treatment to nondivisional elements in two corps tactical zones and supplied 2,200 beds for medical, surgical, convalescent and specialized care. Through its excellent air and ground ambulance service, the HEADQUARTERS AND HEADQUARTERS DETACHMENT, 68TH MEDICAL GROUP guaranteed every combat soldier prompt, professional attention. The detachment's display of keen foresight, sound judgment and unrelenting initiative contributed immeasurably to the free world medical effort in the Republic of Vietnam. The remarkable proficiency and devotion to duty displayed by the members of HEADQUARTERS AND HEADQUARTERS DETACHMENT, 68TH MEDICAL GROUP are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service and reflect distinct credit upon themselves and the Armed Forces of the United States.

8. THE 85TH EVACUATION HOSPITAL (SEMIMOBILE) and its attached unit:

14th Medical Detachment—for the period 20 August 1967 to 31 July 1968

The 85TH EVACUATION HOSPITAL (SEMIMOBILE) and its attached unit, distinguished themselves in support of military operations in the Republic of Vietnam during the period 1 May 1967 to 31 July 1968. The units proved instrumental in supplying excellent medical assistance to free world forces throughout the theater. By the untiring and vigorous application of excellent professional skills, the hospital staff was able to administer highly effective treatment to over 16,000 patients during a ten-month period. In addition to the demanding requirements of providing proper care to hospitalized personnel, members of the 85TH EVACUATION HOSPITAL and its attached unit participated in a medical civic action program which provided surgical care and consultation to local Vietnamese health care centers. Through the sincere efforts of all concerned, this program proved beneficial in rendering medical aid to a vast portion of the civilian population. With singular initiative, brilliant technical skill and profound dedication to mission accomplishment, the units contributed immeasurably to the free world effort in the Republic of Vietnam.

The remarkable proficiency and devotion to duty displayed by the members of the 85TH EVACUATION HOSPITAL and its attached unit are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service and reflect distinct credit upon themselves and the Armed Forces of the United States.

9. THE 98TH SUPPLY AND SERVICE BATTALION and its assigned and attached units:

Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 98th Supply and Service Battalion

96th Combat Support Detachment

157th Quartermaster Company

201st Quartermaster Detachment

202d Quartermaster Detachment

204th Quartermaster Detachment

239th Quartermaster Detachment

279th Quartermaster Detachment

300th Transportation Company—for the period 4 January 1967 to 31 July 1967

350th Signal Detachment—for the period 23 March 1967 to 31 December 1967

370th Quartermaster Detachment

371st Quartermaster Detachment

463d Supply Company

523d Signal Detachment

562d General Support Company—for the period 26 January 1967 to 31 December 1967

581st Support Company—for the periods 1 January 1967 to 2 May 1967 and 26 October 1967 to 31 December 1967

629th Supply Company

The 98TH SUPPLY AND SERVICE BATTALION and its assigned and attached units distinguished themselves in support of military operations in the Republic of Vietnam during the period 1 January 1967 to 31 December 1967. The officers and men of this unit demonstrated extraordinary stamina and determined resourcefulness in providing Class I, II, and IV supplies to the United States and free world forces in the II Corps Tactical Zone. Assigned the mission of supervision and control of 4,500,000 square-feet of gross storage area, the unit maintained over 90,000 line items in stock and received a monthly average of 30,000 short-tons of supplies in the operation of the central receiving and shipping activities at the Qui Nhon Depot. The 98TH SUPPLY AND SERVICE BATTALION has directly supported numerous combat operations as well as providing excellent support for several task forces operating in the II Corps Tactical Zone. Due to their infectious enthusiasm and seemingly limitless capacity for work, no major operation was ever delayed because of the unavailability of necessary logistical support. Through their unrelenting perseverance, unique responsiveness and profound devotion to mission accomplishment, the battalion contributed immeasurably to the free world struggle against Communist aggression in the Republic of Vietnam. The remarkable proficiency and devotion to duty displayed by the members of the 98TH SUPPLY AND SERVICE BATTALION are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service and reflect distinct credit upon themselves and the Armed Forces of the United States.

10. THE 303D RADIO RESEARCH BATTALION and its assigned units:

Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment, 303d Radio Research Battalion

175th Radio Research Company

265th Radio Research Company

335th Radio Research Company

337th Radio Research Company

372d Radio Research Company

409th Radio Research Detachment

856th Radio Research Detachment

The 303D RADIO RESEARCH BATTALION and its assigned units distinguished themselves in support of military operations in the Republic of Vietnam during the period 1 August 1967 to 31 July 1968. Throughout this period the members of the battalion consistently demonstrated outstanding analytical ability, physical courage and unparalleled responsiveness in providing the supported commands with timely and accurate information on which to base their intelligence estimates. In numerous instances the information produced by the battalion was the only guide the unit commanders could rely on to meet the enemy in the fluid combat conditions. Operating as a well-trained, highly cohesive team, the battalion constantly revised and adapted its support to meet the requirements of the commands it supported and often worked long and arduous hours beyond the normal duty day to ensure continuity of information to all elements regardless of the situation and environment. The members of the 303D RADIO RESEARCH BATTALION never faltered in the accomplishment of their mission of providing vital intelligence to elements of II Field Force Vietnam and, as a result of their untiring efforts, the Communist aggressors have suffered devastating losses. Through their unrelenting perseverance, determined resourcefulness and devotion to mission accomplishment, the unit has been an invaluable asset in the free world struggle against Communist aggression in the Republic of Vietnam. The remarkable proficiency and devotion to duty displayed by the members of the 303D RADIO RESEARCH BATTALION are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service and reflect distinct credit upon themselves and the Armed Forces of the United States.

11. THE 313TH RADIO RESEARCH BATTALION and its assigned units:

Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 313th Radio Research Battalion

330th Radio Research Company

371st Radio Research Company—for the period 1 June 1967 to 26 February 1968

374th Radio Research Company

404th Radio Research Detachment (Airborne)—for the period 1 December 1967 to 30 June 1968

406th Radio Research Detachment (Airborne)—for the period 1 June 1967 to 1 February 1968

408th Radio Research Detachment—for the period 1 August 1967 to 30 June 1968

415th Radio Research Detachment—for the period 23 December 1967 to 30 June 1968

601st Radio Research Detachment—for the period 22 October 1967 to 30 June 1968

The 313TH RADIO RESEARCH BATTALION and its assigned units distinguished themselves in support of military operations in the Republic of Vietnam during the period 1 June 1967 to 30 June 1968. Throughout this period, the battalion displayed remarkable proficiency and determined resourcefulness in providing excellent communications intelligence, communications security and electronic countermeasures support to I Field Force Vietnam. The battalion participated in all major combat operations within the tactical area of responsibility, providing immediate and accurate information to field commanders in an effort to defeat the Communist aggressors at every encounter. Despite the adverse conditions inherent in the environment of the theater, the 313TH RADIO RESEARCH BATTALION aggressively followed combat operations, from airmobile assaults in the coastal lowlands to intensified counteroffensive operations during the savage enemy attacks of the TET Offensive, in a never-ending search for information to rout the Communists from their havens. Through their unrelenting perseverance, seemingly limitless capacity for work and devotion to mission accomplishment, the units contributed immeasurably to the mission of I Field Force Vietnam in its struggle against Communist aggression in the Republic of Vietnam. The remarkable proficiency and devotion to duty displayed by the members of the 313TH RADIO RESEARCH BATTALION are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service and reflect distinct credit upon themselves and the Armed Forces of the United States.

12. THE 329TH TRANSPORTATION COMPANY (HEAVY BOAT)

The 329TH TRANSPORTATION COMPANY (HEAVY BOAT) distinguished itself in support of military operations in the Republic of Vietnam during the period 1 January 1968 to 31 July 1968. Demonstrating exceptional competence and a thorough knowledge of logistics, the company significantly contributed to the fulfillment of support activities associated with military operations in the I Corps Tactical Zone. After performing superbly with the Vung Tau Sub-Area Command, the heavy boat organization accepted an extremely challenging task of supply maintenance in the Da Nang area. The 329TH TRANSPORTATION COMPANY, through employment of brilliant technical skill and profound determination, exhibited singular initiative in transporting combat-essential goods from Da Nang to the northern cities of Hue and Dong Ha. These resupply elements faced constant dangers and on numerous occasions the group's vessels were subjected to treacherous enemy attacks which inflicted injury and damage to men and material. Despite these hindrances, the unit continued to function as a well-organized team and proceeded in the establishing of exceptional records in low maintenance hours and high tonnage at the port of Da Nang. Through outstanding perseverance, profound dedication and extraordinary stamina, the men contributed immeasurably to the United States' logistical effort in the theater. The remarkable proficiency and devotion to duty displayed by the members of the 329TH TRANSPORTATION COMPANY (HEAVY BOAT) are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service and reflect distinct credit upon themselves and the Armed Forces of the United States.

III--VALOROUS UNIT AWARD. So much of Section I, DA General Orders 12, 1969, pertaining to the award of the Valorous Unit Award to the 11th Armored Cavalry Regiment and its assigned, attached and supporting units, as reads:

“THE 11TH ARMORED CAVALRY REGIMENT and its assigned, attached and supporting units:

3d Squadron, 11th Armored Cavalry Regiment
 Air Cavalry Troop, 11th Armored Cavalry Regiment
 7th Army Postal Unit
 9th Signal Detachment
 11th Tactical Air Control Party
 17th Public Information Detachment
 28th Military History Detachment
 33d Chemical Detachment
 37th Medical Company
 46th Infantry Platoon
 202d Military Intelligence Detachment
 398th Transportation Detachment
 409th Radio Research Detachment
 506th Supply and Service Company
 541st Military Intelligence Detachment
 551st Light Maintenance Company
 919th Engineer Company”

is amended to read:

“THE 11TH ARMORED CAVALRY REGIMENT and its assigned, attached and supporting units:

7th Army Postal Unit
 9th Signal Detachment
 11th Tactical Air Control Party
 17th Public Information Detachment
 28th Military History Detachment
 33d Chemical Detachment
 37th Medical Company
 46th Infantry Platoon
 202d Military Intelligence Detachment
 398th Transportation Detachment
 409th Radio Research Detachment
 506th Supply and Service Company
 541st Military Intelligence Detachment
 551st Light Maintenance Company
 919th Engineer Company”

IV--MERITORIOUS UNIT COMMENDATION. 1. Paragraph 10, Section II, DA General Orders 17, 1968, pertaining to the award of the Meritorious Unit Commendation to the Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 3d Brigade, 1st Infantry Division and attached units, is amended to delete: “3d Support Platoon, 337th Radio Research Company, 303d Radio Research Battalion, 509th Radio Research Group.”

2. So much of paragraph 2, Section IV, DA General Orders 1, 1969, pertaining to the award of the Meritorious Unit Commendation to the 10th Transportation Battalion (Terminal) and assigned units, as reads: "and is further amended to delete the 1097th Transportation Company," is amended to read: "1097th Transportation Company (for the period September 1965 to June 1966)."

V--AIR FORCE OUTSTANDING UNIT AWARD. Section III, DA General Orders 12, 1969, pertaining to the award of the Air Force Outstanding Unit Award, as reads: "Award of the Air Force Outstanding Unit Award to the following United States Army Units for exceptionally meritorious achievement in support of military operations from 1 March 1966 to 29 February 1968 is confirmed in accordance with paragraph 194, AR 672-5-1:

COMMAND SECTION, WHITE SANDS NATIONAL MISSILE RANGE
NATIONAL RANGE OPERATIONS, WHITE SANDS NATIONAL MISSILE RANGE
MISSILE FLIGHT SURVEILLANCE DIRECTORATE, WHITE SANDS NATIONAL MISSILE RANGE
ATMOSPHERIC SCIENCES OFFICE, UNITED STATES ARMY ELECTRONICS RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITY, WHITE SANDS NATIONAL MISSILE RANGE,"

is amended to read:

"The White Sands National Missile Range (United States Army), has been awarded the Air Force Outstanding Unit Award for exceptionally meritorious service in support of military operations from 1 March 1966 to 29 February 1968. This award is confirmed in accordance with paragraph 194, AR 672-5-1: The following units share in the award for the same period:

Command Section, White Sands National Missile Range
National Range Operations, White Sands National Missile Range
Missile Flight Surveillance Directorate, White Sands National Missile Range
Atmospheric Sciences Office, United States Army Electronics Research and Development Activity, White Sands National Missile Range."

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