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I. MEDAL OF HONOR.—By direction of the President, under the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (WD Bul. 43, 1918), the Medal of Honor for conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity at the risk of life above and beyond the call of duty during the period indicated is awarded posthumously by the Department of the Army in the name of Congress to the following-named enlisted man:

Staff Sergeant *Isadore S. Jackman* (Service No.) Infantry, Army of the United States, a member of the 513th Parachute Infantry Regiment, distinguished himself by conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity above and beyond the call of duty at Flamierge, Belgium, on 4 January 1945. When his company was pinned down by enemy artillery, mortar, and small-arms fire, two hostile tanks attacked the unit, inflicting heavy casualties. Sergeant *Jackman*, seeing the desperate plight of his comrades, left his place of cover and, with total disregard for safety, dashed across open ground through a hail of fire. Seizing a bazooka from a fallen comrade, he advanced on the tanks, which concentrated their fire on him. Firing the weapon alone, he damaged one tank and forced both tanks to retire. Sergeant *Jackman's* heroic action, in which he suffered fatal wounds, disrupted the entire enemy attack, and reflects the highest credit on himself and the 513th Parachute Infantry Regiment. (Sec. I, WD General Orders 25, 1947, pertaining to the award of the Distinguished-Service Cross (posthumous) to Staff Sergeant *Jackman*, for extraordinary heroism in action on the same date, is rescinded.)

II. DISTINGUISHED-SERVICE CROSS.—By direction of the President, under the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (WD Bul. 43, 1918), the Distinguished-Service Cross for extraordinary heroism in action against an enemy during the period indicated is awarded posthumously to the following-named enlisted man:

Private First Class *Caliste A. Callahan* (Service No.), United States Marine Corps, distinguished himself by extraordinary heroism in action in the Southwest Pacific area on 28 December 1943. When heavy enemy mortar, machine-gun, and rifle fire from a heavily fortified series of concealed pillboxes and rifle pits held up the advance of a combat patrol of the 1st Marine Parachute Battalion, whose mission was to destroy an enemy outpost $\frac{1}{2}$ mile east of the Borokina River, Bougainville, Solomon Islands, Private *Callahan* and a comrade moved forward in the face of the hostile fire and quickly destroyed two emplacements with grenades and demolition charges. Then, on his own initiative, he charged forward to the remaining positions, where he engaged in fierce hand-to-hand combat and inflicted severe casualties before he was killed. Through his intrepid, voluntary assault without regard for his safety and at the cost of

his life, Private *Callahan* enabled his patrol to overcome the enemy and continue the advance, thereby setting a lasting example of heroism for his comrades-in-arms.

III. SILVER STAR.—By direction of the President, under the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (WD Bul. 43, 1918), the Silver Star for gallantry in action during the periods indicated is awarded posthumously to the following named officers:

First Lieutenant *Cari F. Cooke*, , Cavalry, Army of the United States, a member of Troop C, 87th Cavalry Reconnaissance Squadron, distinguished himself by gallantry in action against the enemy at Melfel, Holland. On 27 October 1944, Lieutenant *Cooke's* squadron received the brunt of a powerful German attack consisting of armor and infantry in at least brigade size aimed at splitting British and American forces. The point of the attack struck his troop and forced the leading platoons to withdraw. Realizing the critical situation, he volunteered to lead his platoon in a counterattack. His unit stalled the attack and forced the enemy to withdraw with heavy casualties. During the action he was killed by an enemy sniper. Lieutenant *Cooke's* courage and leadership were an inspiration to the entire squadron and reflect great credit on himself and his organization.

First Lieutenant *Daniel W. Griswold*, , Infantry, Army of the United States, a member of Company K, 31st Infantry Regiment, distinguished himself by heroic action against the enemy on 21 January 1942 near Abucay Hacienda, Bataan. As company commander, he led his unit forward, contacted the enemy, and wiped out a Japanese force that had penetrated the stabilized line. Lieutenant *Griswold's* heroic actions during this engagement reflect great credit on himself and his company.

IV. SILVER STAR.—1. By direction of the President, under the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (WD Bul. 43, 1918), the Silver Star for gallantry in action during the period indicated is awarded to the following-named enlisted man:

Technical Sergeant *William H. Costello* (Service No.), Infantry, Army of the United States, a member of Company C, 26th Infantry Regiment, distinguished himself by gallantry in action near Ellendorf, Germany. On 28 October 1944, he was directing mortar fire in support of a patrol assaulting an enemy pillbox. Antipersonnel mines and mortar fire stalled the patrol and forced its withdrawal, leaving a wounded man in the mine field. Seeing the man helpless, Sergeant *Costello*, with utter disregard for his safety, dashed to the man's aid and while carrying him to safety was severely wounded. Sergeant *Costello's* daring rescue of a comrade in arms was in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Infantry.

2. By direction of the President, under the act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (WD Bul. 43, 1918), the Silver Star (first Oak-Leaf Cluster) for gallantry in action during the period indicated is awarded to the following-named officer:

Colonel *Floyd E. Dunn*, (then lieutenant colonel), Infantry, United States Army, a member of the 182d Infantry Regiment, displayed gallantry in action against the enemy on Bougainville, British Solomon Islands, from 21 to 27 March 1944. Upon taking command of the regiment, then engaged in close contact with the enemy, he immediately made a personal reconnaissance of the regimental lines, including the most forward positions, literally in the face

of the enemy. He repeatedly exposed himself in visiting forward elements, personally inspecting and test-firing weapons under close observation of the enemy. His presence in the most forward areas, as well as the supervision he gave to all details of the tactics of his regiment, was an inspiration to the men, and greatly improved the positions and effectiveness of the units during their stubborn holding efforts and subsequent annihilation of the enemy on Hill 260. Colonel *Dunn's* courageous leadership, tactical ability, and devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and the United States Army. (This award supersedes the award of the Bronze Star Medal with "V" device to Colonel *Dunn*, for heroic achievement during the same period, published in sec. I, General Orders 56, Headquarters, Americal Division, 13 April 1944.)

V. LEGION OF MERIT.—By direction of the President, under the act of Congress approved 20 July 1942 (sec. III, WD Bul. 40, 1942) and Executive Order 9260, 29 October 1942 (sec. I, WD Bul. 54, 1942), the Legion of Merit for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service during the period indicated is awarded posthumously to the following-named officer:

Major *Donald M. Kerr*, O901773, Transportation Corps, Army of the United States. August 1944 to February 1945.

VI. LEGION OF MERIT.—1. By direction of the President, under the act of Congress approved 20 July 1942 (sec. III, WD Bul. 40, 1942) and Executive Order 9260, 29 October 1942 (sec. I, WD Bul. 54, 1942), the Legion of Merit for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service during the periods indicated is awarded to the following-named officers:

Colonel *Abram J. Abeloff*, , Medical Corps, Army of the United States.
December 1942 to May 1945.

Colonel *Arnold D. Amoroso*, , Inspector General's Department (then lieutenant colonel, Coast Artillery Corps), United States Army. February 1941 to April 1942. (So much of par. 2, sec. VIII, WD General Orders 53, 1946, pertaining to the award of the Bronze Star Medal to Colonel *Amoroso*, for meritorious service from December 1941 to April 1942, is rescinded.)

Lieutenant Colonel *Shelby L. Gillette*, (then major), Quartermaster Corps, United States Army. December 1943 to September 1944. (This award supersedes the award of the Commendation Ribbon to Lieutenant Colonel *Gillette*, for service from 1 December 1943 to 1 September 1944, announced in letter from Headquarters, Army Service Forces, Second Service Command, Governors Island, New York, 1 February 1946.)

Colonel *Mack M. Green*, , Medical Corps, United States Army. September 1944 to July 1945. (This award supersedes the award of the Bronze Star Medal (first Oak-Leaf Cluster) to Colonel *Green*, for meritorious service from 1 September 1944 to 1 February 1945, published in sec. III, General Orders 139, Headquarters, Communications Zone, United States Forces, European Theater of Operations, 20 July 1945.)

Colonel *Eugene B. Houseman*, , Corps of Engineers, Army of the United States. December 1943 to December 1945. (So much of sec. XIV, WD General Orders 20, 1947, as pertains to the award of the Commendation Ribbon to Colonel *Houseman*, for service during the same period, is rescinded.)

Colonel *Robert N. Kunz*, , Signal Corps, United States Army. April 1944 to September 1945. (This award supersedes the award of the Bronze Star Medal to Colonel *Kunz*, for service from 8 November 1944 to 23 March 1945, published in General Orders 21, Headquarters, XIII Corps, 24 March 1945.)

Colonel *John Morrow, Jr.*, , Army of the United States. January 1943 to July 1944.

Lieutenant Colonel *Franklin B. Thompson, Jr.*, , Corps of Military Police, Army of the United States. January to September 1945.

Lieutenant Colonel *Langfitt B. Wilby*, , Corps of Engineers, United States Army. July to November 1944. (This award supersedes the award of the Bronze Star Medal to Lieutenant Colonel *Wilby*, for meritorious achievement from 6 July to 27 November 1944, published in General Orders 31, Headquarters, 81st Infantry Division, 6 March 1945.

2. By direction of the President, under the act of Congress approved 20 July 1942 (sec. III, WD Bul. 40, 1942) and Executive Order 9260, 29 October 1942 (sec. I, WD Bul. 54, 1942), the Legion of Merit (first Oak-Leaf Cluster) for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service during the periods indicated is awarded to the following-named officers:

Colonel *John A. Klein*, , Adjutant General's Department, United States Army. September 1944 to June 1945.

Colonel *James G. Truitt*, (then lieutenant colonel), Corps of Engineers, Army of the United States. April to September 1942. (This award supersedes the award of the Commendation Ribbon to Colonel *Truitt*, for service during the same period, announced in letter from the Chief of Engineers, 15 May 1946.)

3. By direction of the President, under the act of Congress approved 20 July 1942 (sec. III, WD Bul. 40, 1942) and Executive Order 9260, 29 October 1942 (sec. I, WD Bul. 54, 1942), the Legion of Merit (second Oak-Leaf Cluster) for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service during the period indicated is awarded to the following-named officer:

Colonel *David M. Dunne*, , Corps of Engineers, United States Army. July 1942 to August 1943.

VII. LEGION OF MERIT.—1. By direction of the President, under the act of Congress approved 20 July 1942 (sec. III, WD Bul. 40, 1942) and Executive Order 9260, 29 October 1942 (sec. I, WD Bul. 54, 1942), the Legion of Merit, in the Degree of Chief Commander, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service during the period indicated is awarded to the following-named officer:

Field Marshal *Alexander Leonidas Papagos*, Greek Armed Forces. May to December 1949.

2. By direction of the President, under the act of Congress approved 20 July 1942 (sec. III, WD Bul. 40, 1942) and Executive Order 9260, 29 October 1942 (sec. I, WD Bul. 54, 1942), the Legion of Merit, in the Degree of Commander, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service during the periods indicated is awarded to the following-named officers:

Lieutenant General *George Kosmas*, Greek Armed Forces. January to December 1949.

Major General *Newton Estillac Leal*, Brazilian Army. 5 January 1943 to 15 May 1944, 27 July 1944 to 14 January 1949, and 20 January to 15 September 1949.

3. By direction of the President, under the act of Congress approved 20 July 1942 (sec. III, WD Bul. 40, 1942) and Executive Order 9260, 29 October 1942 (sec. I, WD Bul. 54, 1942), the Legion of Merit, in the Degree of Officer, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service during the periods indicated is awarded to the following-named officers:

Brigadier *Arhimides Argyropoulos*, Greek National Army. June to September 1949.

Major General *Constantine Dovas*, Greek General Staff. June 1948 to December 1949.

Major General *Christos Gerakinis*, Greek National Army. August 1948 to December 1949.

Major General *Christos Ioannou*, Greek National Army. February to December 1949.

Major General *Andrew Kallinskis*, Greek National Army. December 1947 to December 1949.

Brigadier *Stefanos Katsomitros*, Greek National Army. August to December 1949.

Major General *Pafsanias Katsotas*, Greek National Army. February to September 1949.

Major General *Themistocles Ketseas*, Greek National Army. January to December 1949.

Major General *Nicolas Panagopoulos*, Greek General Staff. May 1946 to December 1949.

Brigadier *Thomas Sfetsios*, Greek National Army. August 1948 to August 1949.

Major General *Thrassivoulos Zaimis*, Greek General Staff. August 1947 to October 1949.

4. By direction of the President, under the act of Congress approved 20 July 1942 (sec. III, WD Bul. 40, 1942) and Executive Order 9260, 29 October 1942 (sec. I, WD Bul. 54, 1942), the Legion of Merit, in the Degree of Legionnaire, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service during the periods indicated is awarded to the following-named officers:

Flight Lieutenant *Efstathios Athanasopoulos*, Royal Hellenic Air Force. July to December 1949.

Captain *Joseph T. Broudos*, Greek National Army. November 1946 to December 1949.

Colonel *Alexander Christeas*, Greek National Army. February to July 1949.

Colonel *Athanasios Geramanis*, Greek National Army. April to September 1949.

Colonel *Nikolaos Gogoussis*, Greek Armed Forces. February to December 1949.

Second Lieutenant *Nicolas B. Karakoulakis*, Greek Armed Forces. February to December 1949.

Colonel *Gregorius T. Ketseas*, Greek National Army. March 1948 to December 1949.

Wing Commander *Michel Kondolephas*, Royal Hellenic Air Force. June to December 1949.

- Lieutenant Colonel *Spyridon Kritas*, Greek National Army. February to December 1949.
- Lieutenant Colonel *Evangelos N. Mellios*, Greek National Army. August to December 1949.
- Colonel *George Palandas*, Greek National Army. October 1948 to December 1949.
- Colonel *Theodossios Papathanasiades*, Greek General Staff. February 1948 to December 1949.
- Colonel *George Roussos*, Greek General Staff. August 1947 to March 1949.
- Lieutenant Colonel *Anthony Stathatos*, Greek Armed Forces. February to December 1949.
- Colonel *Christos Triandafyllidis*, Greek National Army. November 1948 to December 1949.
- Lieutenant Colonel *Stylianos L. Tzouvaras*, Greek National Army. March to December 1949.

VIII. SOLDIER'S MEDAL.—By direction of the President, under the act of Congress approved 2 July 1926 (WD Bul. 8, 1926), the Soldier's Medal for heroism not involving actual conflict with an enemy during the periods indicated is awarded to the following-named enlisted men:

Private First Class *Roland B. Burley* (Service No. _____), Infantry, United States Army, a member of Company E, 31st Infantry Regiment, displayed heroism while on a beach party at Ishikahi Beach, Hokkaido, Japan, on 17 July 1949. Upon hearing cries of distress from a group of Japanese nationals who were swimming, Private *Burley*, with four of his companions, plunged into the sea. With complete disregard for safety, he fought through 100 yards of rough sea and heavy breakers and succeeded in bringing one of the Japanese safely to shore. The heroism and quick thinking displayed by Private *Burley* reflect great credit on himself and the military service.

Private First Class *Royce H. Clafin* (Service No. _____) (then private), Cavalry, United States Army, distinguished himself by heroism off Vieques Island, Puerto Rico, on 5 March 1950. While on a swimming party, he saw one of his comrades struggling in treacherous waters. Although tired from a long swim in the dangerous current, he swam to the exhausted man and, by great physical effort, towed him to shore. Private *Clafin's* brave act and complete disregard for personal safety reflect great credit on himself and the military service.

Private First Class *William O. Leathers, Jr.* (Service No. _____), Field Artillery, Massachusetts National Guard, a member of Battery A, 102d Field Artillery Battalion, distinguished himself by heroism on Long Island Sound on 19 July 1949. When a fellow member of his battery fell overboard during a fishing trip, Private *Leathers* unhesitatingly dived overboard, fully clothed, to swim to his rescue. Although the victim was unable to swim and had gone down several times, Private *Leathers* skillfully managed to overcome his struggles and keep his head above water until a boat reached them. By his conspicuous courage and disregard for personal safety, Private *Leathers* upheld the finest traditions of the military service.

Private First Class *William H. White*. (Service No. _____), Infantry, United States Army, a member of Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 30th Infantry Regiment, displayed heroism while participating in Operation Portrex, near Isla Vieques, in the Caribbean Sea on 8 March 1950. Dur-

ing invasion exercises, Private *White* and his section were aboard a landing craft approaching the beach at Vieques. About 150 yards from the beach, the craft sank, leaving the combat-equipped troops floating. Relief boats were sent immediately to the scene, but because of the excitement and sudden sinking some of the men were unable to discard their equipment. Private *White*, seeing a soldier in difficulty, swam to him, gave him his life preserver, and assisted him to the nearest rescue boat. Private *White's* disregard for personal safety, his initiative, and devotion to duty reflect great credit on himself and the military service.

IX. BRONZE STAR MEDAL.—By direction of the President, under Executive Order 9419, 4 February 1944 (sec. II, WD Bul. 3, 1944), the Bronze Star Medal for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States during the period indicated is awarded posthumously to the following-named officer:

Captain *George W. McCollum*, , Infantry, Army of the United States.
December 1941 to April 1942.

X. BRONZE STAR MEDAL.—1. By direction of the President, under Executive Order 9419, 4 February 1944 (sec. II, WD Bul. 3, 1944), the Bronze Star Medal for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States during the periods indicated is awarded to the following-named officers and enlisted man:

Captain *Douglas H. Berry*, , Signal Corps, Army of the United States. November 1944 to June 1945.

Lieutenant Colonel *William J. Flynn*, , Judge Advocate General's Corps, United States Army. January 1943 to December 1944.

Lieutenant Colonel *George M. Hohl*, (then major), Infantry, Army of the United States. December 1941 to April 1942.

Major *William J. A. Hussey*, , Coast Artillery Corps, United States Army. October 1943 to January 1944.

Captain *Ernest A. Knorr, Jr.*, , Quartermaster Corps, Army of the United States. November 1944 to June 1945.

Captain *Robert H. McNichols*, , Infantry, Army of the United States. November 1943 to June 1944.

Staff Sergeant *Delmar R. Miller*, (Service No.) Infantry, Army of the United States. November 1944 to January 1945.

Colonel *Leonard H. Nason*, (then Lieutenant colonel), Cavalry, Army of the United States. November 1942 to January 1943.

Second Lieutenant *Antonio Nieva*, Infantry, Philippine Army. December 1941 to April 1942.

First Lieutenant *Charles G. Sadler*, then technical sergeant, Medical Corps, (Service No.), Quartermaster Corps, Army of the United States. October 1943 to February 1945.

Lieutenant Colonel *Frank C. Switzer*, (, Infantry, Army of the United States. December 1944 to April 1945.

Lieutenant Colonel *Robert M. White II*, (then major), Field Artillery, Army of the United States. June 1942 to October 1944.

Lieutenant Colonel *Stanley O. Whitehouse*, , Quartermaster Corps (then Infantry), National Guard of the United States. December 1944 to May 1945.

2. By direction of the President, under Executive Order 9419, 4 February 1944 (sec. II, WD Bul. 3, 1944), the Bronze Star Medal for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States during the periods indicated is awarded to the following-named officer and enlisted men:

Sergeant *Joe Bravo* (Service No.) (then private first class),
Field Artillery, United States Army. 27 January 1943.

Private First Class *Enrique Magallanes* (Service No.) (then private), Field Artillery, Army of the United States. 1 June 1944.

Major *James J. Scanlon*, (then captain), Infantry, Army of the United States. 1 and 2 April 1945.

3. By direction of the President, under Executive Order 9419, 4 February 1944 (sec. II, WD Bul. 3, 1944), the Bronze Star Medal (first Oak-Leaf Cluster) for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States during the periods indicated is awarded to the following-named officers.

Colonel *Charles I. Faddis*, , Infantry, Army of the United States.
July to November 1943.

Lieutenant Colonel *Austin J. Montgomery*, (then major), Transportation Corps (then Quartermaster Corps), United States Army. 1 to 6 May 1942.

XI. BRONZE STAR MEDAL.—By direction of the President, under Executive Order 9419, 4 February 1944 (sec. II, WD Bul. 3, 1944), the Bronze Star Medal for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States during the period indicated is awarded to the following-named officer:

Colonel *Harry C. Larter, Jr.*, , Field Artillery, United States Army, a member of the 8th Tank Destroyer Group, distinguished himself by heroism on 15 November 1944 near Magny, France. While contacting his units in Pouilly, he learned that the infantry had been halted by enemy 88-mm guns in Magny, 3,000 yards to the north. He voluntarily went forward; contacted the infantry commander; and, coordinating the tank destroyer fire, neutralized the enemy guns, enabling the infantry to advance. As a result of Colonel *Larter's* gallantry and devotion to duty, the infantry mission was accomplished.

XII. COMMENDATION RIBBON WITH METAL PENDANT.—1. By direction of the Secretary of the Army, under AR 600-45, the Commendation Ribbon with Metal Pendant for meritorious service during the periods indicated is awarded to the following-named officers:

Major *Hall F. Achenbach*, (then captain, 100th Field Artillery Regiment), United States Air Force. July 1942 to May 1943.

Lieutenant Colonel *Orville S. Carpenter*, (then major), Judge Advocate General's Department, National Guard of the United States. September 1940 to June 1943.

Colonel *Marcel G. Crombez*, , Infantry, United States Army. December 1943, January 1944, and May to October 1944.

Colonel *Clarence J. Frankforter*, (then lieutenant colonel), Infantry, Army of the United States. January 1944 to August 1945.

Lieutenant Colonel *Hal C. Johnson*, (then major), Field Artillery, Army of the United States. February 1943 to August 1945.

Captain *Andrew S. Robson*, , Quartermaster Corps, United States Army. November 1949 to April 1950.

Colonel *James L. Whelchel*, , Quartermaster Corps, United States Army. December 1941 to December 1943.

Lieutenant Colonel *Norman E. Youngblood*, (then major), Finance Department, United States Army. October 1942 to February 1944.

2. By direction of the Secretary of the Army, under AR 600-45, the Commendation Ribbon with Metal Pendant for meritorious achievement during the periods indicated is awarded to the following-named enlisted men:

Private First Class *Eldon E. Bricker* (Service No.), Infantry, United States Army. 18 March 1950.

Master Sergeant *Burns Burkett* (Service No.), Infantry, United States Army. 13 February 1950.

Corporal *Joseph E. Mea* (Service No.), Finance Department, United States Army. 8 January 1950.

Corporal *Reese E. Merrick* (Service No.), Signal Corps, United States Army. 28 April 1950.

Corporal *Frederick W. Mitchell* (Service No.), Infantry, United States Army. 19 March 1950.

3. By direction of the Secretary of the Army, under AR 600-45, the Commendation Ribbon with Metal Pendant (first Oak-Leaf Cluster) for meritorious service during the periods indicated is awarded to the following-named officers:

Colonel *Carl A. Loeb*, (then lieutenant colonel), Quartermaster Corps, Army of the United States. December 1941 to December 1943.

Brigadier General *Wendell Westover*, (then colonel), Army of the United States. March 1944 to May 1945.

4. By direction of the Secretary of the Army, under AR 600-45, the Commendation Ribbon with Metal Pendant (first Oak-Leaf Cluster) for meritorious achievement on the date indicated is awarded to the following-named officer:

Colonel *Herbert H. Frost*, , General Staff Corps, Army of the United States. 8 April 1944.

XIII..LEGION OF MERIT.—So much of section V, WD General Orders 23, 1946, as reads "Technical Sergeant *Ernest E. Goldstein*" is amended to read "Technical Sergeant *Eeser E. Goldstein*."

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY:

OFFICIAL:

EDWARD F. WITSELL
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The Adjutant General

J. LAWTON COLLINS

Chief of Staff, United States Army