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I. DISTINGUISHED SERVICE MEDAL. 1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 9 July 1918, the Distinguished Service Medal for exceptionally meritorious and distinguished service in a position of great responsibility is awarded to:

Major General *Bruce Easley*, O17735, United States Army. March 1952 to April 1962.

Major General *Gerald E. Galloway*, O16043, United States Army. October 1951 to April 1962.

Major General *Robert L. Howze, Jr.*, O16055, United States Army. January 1951 to April 1962.

Major General *Howard Ker*, O15518, United States Army. June 1954 to April 1962.

Major General *Joseph H. McNinch*, O18645, Medical Corps, United States Army. August 1954 to April 1962.

Major General *Robert W. Ward*, O17637, United States Army. September 1955 to April 1962.

2. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 9 July 1918, the Distinguished Service Medal (First Oak Leaf Cluster) for exceptionally meritorious and distinguished service in a position of great responsibility is awarded to:

Lieutenant General *Ridgely Gaither*, O15970, United States Army. August 1955 to April 1962.

Major General *William N. Gillmore*, O16196, United States Army. February 1952 to April 1962.

Major General *George E. Martin*, O16802, United States Army. July 1953 to April 1962. (This award supersedes the Legion of Merit (Second Oak Leaf Cluster) awarded to General Martin for meritorious service from 6 July to 9 December 1953 as announced in General Orders Number 49, Headquarters, United States Army Forces, Far East, dated 17 February 1954, as amended by General Orders Number 231, Headquarters, United States Army Forces, Far East, dated 18 June 1954.)

3. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 9 July 1918, the Distinguished Service Medal (Second Oak Leaf Cluster) for exceptionally meritorious and distinguished service in a position of great responsibility is awarded to:

General *Bruce C. Clarke*, O16068, United States Army. December 1954 to April 1962.

II. LEGION OF MERIT. 1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 20 July 1942, and Executive Order

10600, 15 March 1955, the Legion of Merit for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service is awarded to:

Colonel *Walter O. Beets*, O29707, Judge Advocate General's Corps, United States Army. April 1952 to April 1962.

Colonel *Vernon M. Budge*, O42017, Finance Corps, United States Army. April 1951 to April 1962.

Colonel *Robert P. Pike*, O42023, Judge Advocate General's Corps, United States Army. October 1951 to April 1962.

Lieutenant Colonel *Beatrice Whitcomb*, M10076, Army Medical Specialist Corps, United States Army. August 1953 to April 1962.

2. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 20 July 1942, and Executive Order 10600, 15 March 1955, the Legion of Merit (First Oak Leaf Cluster) for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service is awarded to:

Colonel *Harry O. Fischer*, O29901, Corps of Engineers, United States Army. January 1951 to April 1962. (This award supersedes the previous award of the Army Commendation Medal (First Oak Leaf Cluster) for meritorious service during the period 2 September 1957 to 15 May 1959, as announced in General Orders Number 49, dated 9 June 1959, Headquarters, United States Army, Alaska, APO 949, Seattle, Washington.)

Colonel *Harold H. Newman*, O38716, Adjutant General's Corps, United States Army. January 1951 to April 1962.

III. LEGION OF MERIT. 1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 20 July 1942, and Executive Order 10600, 15 March 1955, the Legion of Merit (Degree of Commander) for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service is awarded to:

Lieutenant General *Valdemar Jacobsen*, Royal Danish Army. July 1960 to March 1962.

Major General *Alberto Ruiz Novoa*, Army of Colombia. September 1960 to October 1961.

General *Omar Porciuncula*, Army of Uruguay. December 1960 to March 1962.

Colonel *Arnaldo Schulz*, Portuguese Army. November 1953 to November 1958.

2. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 20 July 1942, and Executive Order 10600, 15 March 1955, the Legion of Merit (Degree of Officer) for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service is awarded to:

Major General *Mitsusuke Tanaka*, Ground Defense Forces of Japan. October 1957 to November 1960.

Lieutenant General *Pietro Testa*, 450134, Italian Army. January 1960 to December 1961.

Brigadier General *Joaquin Gonzalez Vidaurreta*, Army of Spain. May 1959 to July 1961.

IV. SOLDIER'S MEDAL. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress, approved 2 July 1926, a Soldier's Medal for heroism not involving actual conflict with an enemy is awarded posthumously to:

Captain *Cornwallis King, Jr.*, O1915456, Artillery, United States Army, distinguished himself by heroism at Omaha Air Force Station, Omaha, Nebraska, on 12 February 1962, while a member of Headquarters and Headquarters Battery, 6th Missile Battalion (NIKE HERCULES), 43d Artillery. When a crane that was being used to unload and position bulky electronic equipment struck an overhead power line, Captain *King* immediately realized the imminent electrical hazard to his men and rushed to their rescue. Upon contact with the high voltage lines, a flow of direct current passed through the cables, the load of the crane, and through the two soldiers who were guiding the load into damp ground. Although the electrical charge thrust one man into the clear, the other still held on to the load. With complete disregard for his own personal safety, Captain *King* unselfishly and heroically lunged against this man, knocked him to safety, and lost his own life when he came in contact with the electrically charged equipment. Captain *King's* courageous act of self-sacrifice for a fellow soldier was in the highest tradition of the United States Army and reflects great credit upon himself and the military service.

V. SOLDIER'S MEDAL. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress, approved 2 July 1926, a Soldier's Medal for heroism not involving actual conflict with an enemy is awarded to:

Captain *Dale K. Brudvig*, O75969 (then First Lieutenant), Armor, United States Army, while serving with Company B, 2d Medium Tank Battalion (Patton), 13th Cavalry distinguished himself by heroism on 25 September 1961, in the vicinity of Lang Goens, Germany. While conducting an inspection of his company tank park, Captain *Brudvig* noticed a Patton tank from another company move from its tank park. Suddenly, the incompetent driver who had stolen this 60-ton tank, crashed through the gate, sped recklessly and wantonly through the countryside, and left a trail of damage to property. Captain *Brudvig*, unhesitatingly, and with complete disregard for his own personal safety, commandeered a jeep, pursued the uncontrolled tank, and caught up with it as it neared the built-up outskirts of Lang Goens, Germany. Realizing the impossibility of blocking the road, he boarded the dangerously swerving and fast moving tank, subdued the thoughtless driver, and brought the tank to a halt. Captain *Brudvig's* quick and courageous action in voluntarily risking his own life to avert further damage to property and the probable loss of lives, reflects great credit upon himself and the military service.

Captain *Anthony B. Herbert*, O78348 (then First Lieutenant), Infantry, United States Army, distinguished himself by heroism on 14 July 1961, in the vicinity of Pforzheim, Germany. During inclement weather a serious head-on vehicle collision occurred on the Stuttgart-Heidelberg Autobahn directly in front of Captain *Herbert's* automobile. One car, struck by a vehicle that crossed the highway center strip, immediately burst into flames and set fire to the clothing of the trapped driver. With full knowledge of an impending gasoline explosion, and without regard for his own life or personal safety, Captain *Herbert* unhesitatingly and swiftly approached the blazing wreckage to rescue the unconscious occupant who was wedged between the seat and the dashboard. Although the gas tank did explode, sending metal fragments flying through the air, he continued his undaunted efforts and greatly aided in the rescue of the victim. He then rushed to assist in the evacuation of the injured passengers of the other car. While waiting for the ambulance to arrive, he skillfully administered first aid. Captain *Herbert's* presence of mind and

quick and heroic action in this hazardous situation represent exemplary conduct in the most cherished traditions of the United States Army and reflect the utmost credit upon himself and the military service.

Sergeant *Cecil C. McCoy*, RA19398176 (then Specialist Four), Artillery, United States Army, a member of "D" Battery, 2d Rocket Howitzer Battalion, 16th Artillery, distinguished himself by heroism on 10 June 1961, at Vilseck, Germany. When the M-62 wrecker, which was being used to load a 762mm Training Rocket Motor in an ammunition storage area caught fire, Sergeant *McCoy's* brave and unhesitating action averted an imminent disaster. Observing that the fire extinguishers had no effect on the fire that engulfed the gas tanks of the wrecker, a five ton truck, and the adjacent area, he undauntedly dashed through the flames with complete disregard for his own personal safety and drove the burning wrecker through a double apron concertina fence to an open area a safe distance away. Sergeant *McCoy's* prompt and courageous action in this emergency prevented the loss of lives and the destruction of property from an impending explosion of special ammunition and reflects the utmost credit upon himself and the military service.

Sergeant First Class *Walter E. Vick*, RA34918735, United States Army, a member of Company A, 1st Airborne Battle Group, 505th Infantry, United States Forces, distinguished himself by heroism on 14 July 1961, in the vicinity of Pforzheim, Germany. During inclement weather a serious head-on vehicle collision occurred on the Stuttgart-Heidelberg Autobahn directly in front of the automobile in which Sergeant *Vick* was a passenger. One car, struck by a vehicle that crossed the highway center strip, immediately burst into flames and set fire to the clothing of the trapped driver. With full knowledge of an impending gasoline explosion, and without regard for his own life or personal safety, Sergeant *Vick* unhesitatingly and swiftly approached the blazing wreckage to rescue the unconscious occupant who was wedged between the seat and the dashboard. Although the gas tank did explode, sending metal fragments flying through the air, he continued his undaunted efforts and greatly aided in the rescue of the victim. He then rushed to assist in the evacuation of the injured passengers of the other car. At this point the first car exploded again and the victim, who had been placed in a reasonably safe area, caught fire. Sergeant *Vick* bravely rushed through the flying metal to the burning man and extinguished the flames. While waiting for the ambulance to arrive, he skillfully administered first aid. Sergeant *Vick's* presence of mind and quick and heroic action in this hazardous situation represent exemplary conduct in the most cherished traditions of the United States Army and reflect the utmost credit upon himself and the military service.

VI. ARMY COMMENDATION MEDAL. 1. By direction of the Secretary of the Army, under the provisions of paragraph 33, AR 672-5-1, the Army Commendation Medal for meritorious service is awarded to:

Colonel *Lawrence L. Beckedorff*, O21781, Infantry, United States Army.
March 1957 to March 1962.

Specialist Six *Bobby J. Compton*, RA15410691, United States Army.
July 1956 to April 1962.

Major *William J. Dailey*, O944673, Army Intelligence, United States Army. January 1961 to March 1962.

Colonel *Forrest W. Duff*, O43391, Inspector General (Artillery), United States Army. June 1960 to January 1962.

- Captain *Charles R. Gunter*, O4003930 (then First Lieutenant), Ordnance Corps, United States Army. August 1956 to June 1960.
- Lieutenant Colonel *Raymond Harvey*, O1286281, Infantry, United States Army. July 1961 to April 1962.
- Captain *John W. Higgins, Jr.*, 72152, United States Navy. January 1961 to November 1961.
- Lieutenant Colonel *Thomas A. Kelly*, O2035813, Adjutant General's Corps, United States Army. July 1956 to March 1962.
- Captain *Wilson A. Landry, Jr.*, O63378, Quartermaster Corps, United States Army. July 1960 to January 1962.
- Major *James C. Mize*, O81061, Artillery, United States Army. June 1959 to January 1962.
- Captain *Raymond C. Morrison, Jr.*, O2307972 (then Chief Warrant Officer, W3430040), Quartermaster Corps, United States Army. August 1961 to January 1962.
- Sergeant First Class *Wallace J. Nolen*, RA44040807, Artillery, United States Army. July 1961 to November 1961.
- Lieutenant Colonel *James P. O'Callaghan, Jr.*, O81919, Corps of Engineers, United States Army. January 1957 to February 1960.
- Specialist Four *Billy R. Paseur*, US53328547, United States Army. November 1960 to April 1962.
- Lieutenant Colonel *William A. Porter, Jr.*, O80476, Quartermaster Corps, United States Army. July 1958 to January 1962.
- Colonel *Knut H. Raudstein*, O53611, Infantry, United States Army. September 1958 to March 1962.
- Lieutenant Colonel *Roy B. Root*, O1302527, Infantry, United States Army. April 1958 to April 1962.
- Sergeant First Class *Lloyd C. Schook*, RA15214564, Artillery, United States Army. July 1961 to November 1961.
- Colonel *Lester W. Teter*, O51312, Adjutant General's Corps, United States Army. August 1958 to April 1962.
- Chief Warrant Officer *James E. Whiteley*, W2113358, United States Army. September 1960 to March 1962.
2. By direction of the Secretary of the Army, under the provisions of paragraph 33, AR 672-5-1, the Army Commendation Medal (First Oak Leaf Cluster) for meritorious service is awarded to:
- Colonel *Victor G. Conley*, O23276, Infantry, United States Army. July 1959 to March 1962.
- Colonel *Robert E. Dorsey*, O30100, Quartermaster Corps, United States Army. January 1960 to March 1962.
- Lieutenant Colonel *William R. Farquhar, Jr.*, O1176012, Artillery, United States Army. January 1957 to April 1962.
- Colonel *O. Glenn Goodhand*, O51511, Artillery, United States Army. June 1961 to April 1962.
- Master Sergeant *Samuel Newman*, RA14145105, United States Army. May 1960 to February 1962.
- Master Sergeant *Robert L. Short*, RA6845843, United States Army. August 1958 to February 1962.
- Sergeant First Class *Kenneth S. Sprague*, RA35585339, United States Army. November 1957 to February 1962.

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3. By direction of the Secretary of the Army, under the provisions of paragraph 33, AR 672-5-1, the Army Commendation Medal (Second Oak Leaf Cluster) for meritorious service is awarded to:

Chief Warrant Officer *Robert C. McDaniel*, W2116976, Adjutant General's Corps, United States Army. June 1959 to April 1962.

4. By direction of the Secretary of the Army, under the provisions of paragraph 33, AR 672-5-1, the Army Commendation Medal for meritorious achievement is awarded to:

Private First Class *James P. Knott*, RA23312250, Infantry, United States Army. 14 November 1961.

Specialist Four *David M. Nelson*, RA28049728, United States Army. 14 November 1961.

Sergeant First Class *Leo G. Smith*, RA19144625, United States Army. 25 November 1961.

5. By direction of the Secretary of the Army, under the provisions of paragraph 33, AR 672-5-1, the Army Commendation Medal (First Oak Leaf Cluster) for meritorious achievement is awarded to:

Chief Warrant Officer *Leonard J. Gutschmidt*, W2150958, United States Army. 10 and 11 January 1962.

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY:

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General, United States Army,
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