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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 positions of great responsibility is awarded to:

Lieutenant General *James L. Richardson*, , United States Army.
October 1960 to March 1963.

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:

Major General *Thomas F. Van Natta*, , United States Army.
October 1954 to May 1963.

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 *James Y. Adams*, , Infantry, United States Army. March 1952 to April 1963.

Lieutenant Colonel *Ralph W. Bergman*, , Army Intelligence and Security, United States Army. September 1960 to February 1963.

Chief Warrant Officer *Leon O. Blanchette*, , United States Army.
July 1962 to March 1963.

Colonel *Fred H. Cantrell*, , Infantry, United States Army. March 1962 to May 1963.

Lieutenant Colonel *George Chow*, , Ordnance Corps, United States Army. August 1960 to January 1963.

Colonel *Ralph A. Devine*, , Finance Corps, United States Army.
July 1959 to May 1963.

Colonel *Alexander G. Eagle*, , Artillery, United States Army.
November 1961 to March 1963.

Colonel *Herbert K. Greer*, , Judge Advocate General's Corps, United States Army. April 1958 to March 1963.

Colonel *Guy C. Hill*, , Medical Service Corps, United States Army.
July 1950 to May 1963.

Colonel *Hans G. Jepson*, , Ordnance Corps, United States Army.
October 1957 to April 1963.

Brigadier General *Frank McCarthy*, , United States Army. August 1956 to May 1963.

Colonel *Harry M. Murray*, , Ordnance Corps, United States Army.
February 1957 to May 1963.

Colonel *Paul A. Robblee*, , Judge Advocate General's Corps, United States Army. December 1951 to May 1963.

Colonel *Edwin C. Shewbridge, Jr.*, Finance Corps, United States Army. June 1957 to May 1963.

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:

Captain *Carter L. Bennett*, United States Navy. December 1959 to May 1963.

Colonel *Knox Dunlap*, Medical Corps, United States Army. June 1954 to May 1963. (This award supersedes General Orders Number 25, Headquarters Fort Devens, Fort Devens, Massachusetts, dated 26 September 1958, as pertains to the award of the Army Commendation Medal for meritorious service during the period 1 June 1956 to 26 September 1958 and General Orders Number 187, Headquarters Fort Dix, Fort Dix, New Jersey, 1961, as pertains to the award of the Army Commendation Medal (First Oak Leaf Cluster) for meritorious service during the period September 1958 to April 1961, to Colonel *Dunlap*.)

Colonel *Francis B. Goodwin*, Ordnance Corps, United States Army. September 1960 to April 1963. (This award supersedes award of the Army Commendation (First Oak Leaf Cluster) for meritorious service from September 1960 to April 1963, as announced in General Orders Number 9, Headquarters, III Corps and Fort Hood, Fort Hood, Texas, dated 25 April 1963.)

Brigadier General *James E. Graham*, Medical Corps, United States Army. October 1961 to May 1963.

Colonel *Tom W. Sills*, Artillery, United States Army. July 1957 to May 1963.

Colonel *Arthur J. Watson*, Quartermaster Corps, United States Army. February 1956 to May 1963.

3. 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 (Second Oak Leaf Cluster) for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service is awarded to:

Brigadier General *Thomas H. Beck*, United States Army. March 1957 to May 1963.

4. 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:

Brigadier General *Philippe Gouraud*, Army of France. September 1959 to August 1962.

Colonel *Fidel Sanchez Hernandez*, Army of El Salvador. May 1960 to July 1962.

5. 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 Legionnaire) for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service is awarded to:

Major *Gunter Gassler*, Army of the Federal Republic of Germany. January 1961 to May 1963.

III--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:

Major *Miguel De La Pena*, , Infantry, United States Army, distinguished himself by heroism on 20 December 1962, near Kadena Air Base, Okinawa, while serving with Headquarters, 1st Special Forces Group (Airborne), 1st Special Forces. While driving in the vicinity of an Okinawan village, Major *De La Pena* saw a tanker aircraft crash into two houses. He immediately proceeded to the crash site and upon arrival, organized other United States personnel on the scene for rescue operations. Although he had directed the Okinawans to stay away from the danger area to prevent further injury, a man was standing in the midst of the burning wreckage. With complete disregard for his own personal safety, Major *De La Pena* ignored the constant explosions and intense heat from the fuel fed blaze, entered the wreckage, and personally removed the man who explained that others were trapped. With fortitude and perseverance, Major *De La Pena* re-entered the hazardous wreckage and evacuated a small child. He then continued his diligent efforts and assisted in the rescue of three other persons. Major *De La Pena's* prompt action, sound judgment, and exemplary performance in this emergency are in the highest traditions of the United States Army and reflect great credit upon himself and the military service.

Sergeant *Atoah Noorii*, Imperial Iranian Army, Mountain Training Center, distinguished himself by heroism during the period 31 January to 1 February 1962, in West Central Iran. When a United States Army aircraft crashed on a rugged snow covered mountain peak in West Central Iran, air reconnaissance indicated that there were survivors. The crash site was approximately 12,500 feet in altitude and was characterized by freezing temperatures, snow ranging from six to forty feet deep, sudden and frequent violent storms, and the constant danger of avalanches. With full knowledge of the great risk to his own personal safety, Sergeant *Noorii* unhesitatingly volunteered to be flown to the area by helicopter to participate in the effort to evacuate the victims. After a hazardous landing on a mountain top, he and his comrades bravely fought through the heavy snow and bitter cold to reach the survivors. The difficulty in moving in the deep snow was intensified by the lack of oxygen due to the high altitude and demanded superhuman effort, energy, and perseverance. Through his determination and courage, Sergeant *Noorii* greatly assisted in the rescue of the two survivors. His unselfish and courageous action in this emergency reflects great credit upon himself and the Imperial Iranian Army and is symbolic of the strong bond that exists between the governments of the United States and Iran.

Private First Class *Carlos H. Rivera Martino*, , United States Army, a member of Company E, 2d Airborne Battle Group, 501st Infantry, distinguished himself by heroism on 7 February 1963 at Fort Bragg, North Carolina. While executing his first parachute jump with an airborne unit, Private *Rivera Martino* suddenly noticed that a descending parachutist with a malfunctioning chute was being propelled directly toward him. As the falling trooper hurtled into his suspension lines, Private *Rivera Martino* ignored his own personal safety, instantaneously reached out, grabbed the unopened portion of the chute, and tenaciously held onto it. During the dangerous descent, he maintained a firm grip on his fellow soldier until both of them came in safe contact with the ground. The quick thinking, rapid action, and exemplary

conduct displayed by Private *Rivera Martino* in this emergency reflect great credit upon himself and the military service.

Sergeant *Amir Shahghadami*, Imperial Iranian Army, Mountain Training Center, distinguished himself by heroism during the period 31 January to 6 February 1962, in West Central Iran. When a United States Army aircraft crashed on a rugged snow covered mountain peak in West Central Iran, air reconnaissance indicated that there were survivors. The crash site was approximately 12,500 feet in altitude and was characterized by freezing temperatures, snow ranging from six to forty feet deep, sudden and frequent violent storms, and the constant danger of avalanches. With full knowledge of the great risk to his own personal safety, Sergeant *Shahghadami* unhesitatingly volunteered to be flown to the area by helicopter to participate in the effort to evacuate the victims. After a hazardous landing on a mountain top, he and his comrades bravely fought through the heavy snow and bitter cold to reach the survivors. The difficulty in moving in the deep snow was intensified by the lack of oxygen due to the high altitude and demanded superhuman effort, energy, and perseverance. Through his determination and courage, Sergeant *Shahghadami* greatly assisted in the rescue of the two survivors. His unselfish and courageous action in this emergency reflects great credit upon himself and the Imperial Iranian Army and is symbolic of the strong bond that exists between the governments of the United States and Iran.

IV--AIR MEDAL. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order 9158, 11 May 1942, as amended by Executive Order 9242-A, 11 September 1942, an Air Medal for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight is awarded by the Department of the Army to:

Lieutenant *Robert L. Brace*, , United States Navy. September to November 1962.

Captain *Gerald W. Keyes*, , United States Marine Corps. September to November 1962.

Chief Warrant Officer *Robert J. Sable*, W2207719, United States Army. 21 October 1962.

V--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:

Staff Sergeant *George H. Allison*, , Signal Corps, United States Army. October 1962 to March 1963.

Yeoman Second Class *Russell W. Baker*, , United States Navy. March 1962 to April 1963.

Major *Roy H. Ballinger*, , Quartermaster Corps, United States Army. January 1961 to April 1963.

Commander *Walter M. Brobston*, , United States Navy. March 1961 to January 1963.

Lieutenant Colonel *John T. Brodie*, , Medical Services Corps, United States Army. March 1957 to May 1963.

Master Sergeant *Robert C. Connors*, , United States Army. February 1959 to April 1963.

Captain *James W. Crutcher*, (then First Lieutenant), Corps of Engineers, United States Army. December 1945 to June 1946.

Colonel *James E. Davidoff*, , Ordnance Corps, United States Army. May 1958 to May 1963.

Lieutenant Colonel *Jack P. Dillender, Sr.*, , Artillery, United States Army. November 1961 to May 1963.

Lieutenant Colonel (then Major) *Allen J. Grieger*, O61088, Ordnance Corps, United States Army. September 1958 to October 1959.

Lieutenant Colonel *Leon F. Kosmacki*, , Artillery, United States Army. January 1961 to May 1963.

Lieutenant Colonel *Thomas W. Locke*, , Artillery, United States Army. July 1959 to May 1963.

Colonel *Harry Margolies*, O40235, Signal Corps, United States Army. September 1960 to May 1963.

Sergeant First Class *George T. Mulligan*, , United States Army. August 1960 to May 1963.

Captain *Lark R. Murray*, O89114 (then First Lieutenant), Ordnance Corps, United States Army. July 1962 to November 1962.

Sergeant First Class *Raymond N. Otterson*, , United States Army. May 1961 to May 1963.

Captain *Harold A. Rice*, , Infantry, United States Army. January 1960 to January 1963.

Captain *Joseph H. Schmalhorst*, , Artillery, United States Army. February 1962 to July 1962.

Chief Warrant Officer *Quinton R. Shafer*, , United States Army. August 1959 to May 1963.

Sergeant First Class *Reddick F. Simmons*, , United States Army. March 1962 to March 1963.

Staff Sergeant *James C. Smith*, , United States Marine Corps. March 1962 to February 1963.

Lieutenant Colonel *Leo A. Smith*, , Infantry, United States Army. August 1959 to February 1963.

Sergeant First Class *Clifford W. Stroup*, , United States Army. March 1954 to June 1957.

Major *Marshall D. Talbott*, , Artillery, United States Army. September 1959 to April 1963.

Master Sergeant *James R. Tate*, , United States Army. May 1952 to April 1963.

Lieutenant Colonel *John A. Todd*, (then Major), United States Army. August 1959 to January 1963.

Sergeant First Class *Leonard W. Trent*, , United States Army. November 1962 to February 1963.

Master Sergeant *Everett H. Weller*, , Signal Corps, United States Army. November 1960 to October 1962.

Master Sergeant *Lewis J. White*, , United States Army. July 1960 to May 1963.

Major *Charles H. Whitedge*, , Transportation Corps, United States Army. August 1959 to January 1963.

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 *Richard J. Allen*, , Infantry, United States Army. November 1961 to February 1963.

Lieutenant Colonel *Lewis J. Ashley*, , Infantry, United States Army. April 1961 to September 1962.

Lieutenant Colonel *Raymond B. Bunton*, , Corps of Engineers,
United States Army. May 1960 to January 1963.

Major *Edward F. Callanan*, , Infantry, United States Army. June
1959 to May 1963.

Major *William S. Crowley*, , Army Intelligence and Security,
United States Army. January 1962 to May 1963.

Lieutenant Colonel *Arthur B. Grace Jr.*, , Corps of Engineers,
United States Army. August 1960 to May 1963.

Lieutenant Colonel *Felix Kampschroer*, , Adjutant General's Corps,
United States Army. April 1959 to May 1963.

Colonel *Fredrick B. Outlaw*, , Infantry, United States Army.
January 1962 to September 1962.

Sergeant First Class *Roger B. Shriver*, , United States Army.
April 1962 to September 1962.

Lieutenant Colonel *Peter R. Tassani*, , Artillery, United States
Army. November 1962 to February 1963.

Major *Robert W. Vaughan*, , Adjutant General's Corps, United
States Army. July 1960 to May 1963.

Lieutenant Colonel *Richard E. Young*, , Ordnance Corps, United
States Army. October 1960 to November 1962.

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:

Captain *James R. Etheridge*, , Infantry, United States Army.
October 1962 to December 1962.

First Lieutenant *Jack Funk*, , Adjutant General's Corps, United
States Army. October 1961 to May 1963.

Colonel *Harold N. Moorman*, , Infantry, United States Army.
November 1962 to January 1963.

Lieutenant Colonel *Raymond V. Taibbi*, , Army Intelligence and
Security, United States Army. August 1959 to May 1963.

Colonel *Charles B. Thomas*, , Infantry, United States Army.
February 1961 to February 1962.

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

Lieutenant Colonel *Arthur P. Hatfield*, , Transportation Corps,
United States Army. March 1961 to May 1963.

5. 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 *Lee R. Annis*, , Infantry, United States Army. 15
July 1962.

Major *Emil Fisher, Jr.*, , Armor, United States Army. 6 to 18
September 1962.

Private First Class *William B. Gaskins*, , United States Army.
13 January 1963.

Chief Warrant Officer *Jerry W. Hobbs*, , United States Army.
5 December 1962.

Sergeant *Gunther Miller*, , United States Army. 29 January
1963.

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Private First Class *Gene Fong Lun Woo*, , Infantry, United
States Army. 18 February 1963.

By Order of the Secretary of the Army:

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The Adjutant General.

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