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**I. VALOROUS UNIT AWARD.** By direction of the Secretary of the Army, under the provisions of paragraphs 194 and 202.1, AR 672-5-1, the Valorous Unit Award is confirmed for the following-named units of the United States Army for extraordinary heroism while engaged in military operations during the periods indicated as awarded by cited authority.

**1. BATTERIES A and B, 5TH BATTALION, 2D ARTILLERY and attached unit:**

Battery D, 71st Artillery

For the period 17 December 1968 to 18 May 1969 as announced in United States Army, Vietnam General Orders 208, 1970.

**2. COMPANY A, 2D BATTALION, 8TH CAVALRY**

On 9 August 1967 as announced in United States Army, Vietnam General Orders 841, 1970.

**3. 14TH AVIATION BATTALION and its assigned and attached units:**

Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment, 14th Aviation Battalion

348th Aviation Detachment

534th Medical Detachment

14th Security Platoon

71st Aviation Company

151st Transportation Detachment

94th Signal Detachment

174th Aviation Company

409th Transportation Detachment

452d Signal Detachment

756th Medical Detachment

176th Aviation Company

411th Transportation Detachment

454th Signal Detachment

178th Aviation Company

400th Transportation Detachment

On 12 May 1968 as announced in United States Army, Vietnam General Orders 782, 1970.

**4. COMPANY C, 3D BATTALION, 1ST INFANTRY and its attached unit:**

1st Platoon, Troop E, 1st Cavalry

For the period 12 and 13 May 1969 as announced in United States Army, Vietnam General Orders 785, 1970.

5. 299TH ENGINEER BATTALION comprised of:
  - Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 299th Engineer Battalion
  - Company A, 299th Engineer Battalion
  - Company D, 299th Engineer Battalion
  - 15th Engineer CompanyFor the period 9 May 1969 to 1 July 1969 as announced in United States Army, Vietnam General Orders 839, 1970.
6. COMPANY C, 2D BATTALION, 2D INFANTRY
  - For the period 28 November 1968 to 29 November 1969 as announced in United States Army, Vietnam General Orders 882, 1970.
7. COMPANY B, 1ST BATTALION, 7TH CAVALRY
  - On 25 November 1968 as announced in United States Army, Vietnam General Orders 885, 1970.
8. 1ST SQUADRON, 10TH CAVALRY
  - For the period 8 May 1969 to 29 May 1969 as announced in United States Army, Vietnam General Orders 879, 1970.
9. 3D BRIGADE, 9TH INFANTRY DIVISION and its assigned and attached units:
  - Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 3d Brigade, 9th Infantry Division
  - 3d Battalion, 39th Infantry
  - 4th Battalion, 39th Infantry
  - 5th Battalion, 60th Infantry
  - 6th Battalion, 31st Infantry
  - Troop D, 3d Squadron, 5th Cavalry
  - 2d Battalion, 4th Artillery
  - 2d Battalion, 47th InfantryFor the period 6 to 12 May 1968 as announced in United States Army, Vietnam General Orders 1048, 1970.
10. 1ST BATTALION, 12TH INFANTRY, and its attached unit:
  - Battery B, 4th Battalion, 42d ArtilleryFor the period 1 January 1967 to 5 April 1967 as announced in United States Army, Vietnam General Orders 1203, 1970.
11. BATTERY C, 2D BATTALION, 13TH ARTILLERY
  - On 11 and 13 September 1968 as announced in United States Army, Vietnam General Orders 1049, 1970.
12. 1ST BATTALION, 22D INFANTRY and its attached units:
  - Company B, 1st Battalion, 12th Infantry (For the period 4 February 1968 to 10 February 1968)
  - Company C, 1st Battalion, 12th Infantry (For the period 4 February 1968 to 10 February 1968)
  - Company C, 1st Battalion, 69th Armor (For the period 4 February 1968 to 12 February 1968)
  - Troop A, 2d Squadron, 1st Cavalry
  - Troop D, 7th Squadron, 17th Cavalry
  - Rifle Platoon, Troop A, 7th Squadron, 17th Cavalry
  - Rifle Platoon, Troop B, 7th Squadron, 17th Cavalry
  - Battery C, 4th Battalion, 42d Artillery (For the period 31 January 1968 to 12 February 1968)

Battery B, 5th Battalion, 16th Artillery (For the period 4 February 1968 to 12 February 1968)

3d Platoon, Company B, 4th Engineer Battalion (For the period 31 January 1968 to 12 February 1968)

For the period 30 January 1968 to 12 February 1968 as announced in United States Army, Vietnam General Orders 883, 1970.

13. 4TH BATTALION, 23D INFANTRY and its attached unit:

2d Platoon, Company C, 65th Engineer Battalion

For the period 26 May 1968 to 28 May 1968 as announced in United States Army, Vietnam General Orders 884, 1970.

14. COMPANY A, 1ST BATTALION, 69TH ARMOR

For the period 30 May 1967 to 3 July 1967 as announced in United States Army, Vietnam General Orders 878, 1970.

15. 366TH AVIATION DETACHMENT

For the period 11 May 1969 as announced in United States Army, Vietnam General Orders 881, 1970.

16. 3D BATTALION, 506TH INFANTRY and its assigned and attached units:

Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 3d Battalion, 506th Infantry

Company A, 3d Battalion, 506th Infantry

Company B, 3d Battalion, 506th Infantry

Company C, 3d Battalion, 506th Infantry

Battery B, 5th Battalion, 27th Artillery

192d Aviation Company

2d Platoon, 183d Aviation Company

23d Mobile Strike Force Company, 5th Special Forces Group

26th Mobile Strike Force Company, 5th Special Forces Group

For the period 31 January 1968 to 25 February 1968 as announced in United States Army, Vietnam General Orders 886, 1970.

17. 1ST BATTALION, 508TH INFANTRY and its attached units:

Battery A, 2d Battalion, 321st Artillery (For the period 12 November 1968 through 10 December 1968)

Battery C, 2d Battalion, 321st Artillery (For period 26 October 1968 through 1 November 1968)

For the period 1 May 1968 through 8 January 1969 as announced in United States Army, Vietnam General Orders 880, 1970.

**II. MERITORIOUS UNIT COMMENDATION.** By direction of the Secretary of the Army, under the provisions of paragraphs 194 and 203, AR 672-5-1, the Meritorious Unit Commendation is confirmed for the following-named units of the United States Army for exceptionally meritorious achievement in the performance of outstanding service during the periods indicated as awarded by cited authority.

1. HEADQUARTERS AND HEADQUARTERS BATTERY, I FIELD FORCE VIETNAM ARTILLERY

For the period 1 August 1968 to 31 July 1969 as announced in United States Army, Vietnam General Orders 684, 1970.

2. HEADQUARTERS, HEADQUARTERS COMPANY AND BAND, 1ST INFANTRY DIVISION SUPPORT COMMAND.

For the period 1 August 1967 through 28 February 1969 as announced in United States Army, Vietnam General Orders 120, 1970.

**3. 3D SURGICAL HOSPITAL**

For the period 1 July 1967 to 31 May 1969 as announced in United States Army, Vietnam General Orders 207, 1970.

**4. 8TH MILITARY POLICE GROUP** comprised of:

Headquarters, 8th Military Police Group  
Detachment A (Provisional), 8th Military Police Group  
Detachment B (Provisional), 8th Military Police Group  
Detachment C (Provisional), 8th Military Police Group  
Detachment D (Provisional), 8th Military Police Group  
Detachment E (Provisional), 8th Military Police Group

For the period 1 January 1968 through 31 May 1969 as announced in United States Army, Vietnam General Orders 200, 1970.

**5. 44TH SIGNAL BATTALION** and its assigned units:

Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment, 44th Signal Battalion 580th Signal Company  
Communications Center Company (Area), 44th Signal Battalion  
Communications Center Company (command), 44th Signal Battalion  
Company B, 69th Signal Battalion

For the period 1 September 1968 through 31 August 1969 as announced in United States Army, Vietnam General Orders 768, 1970.

**6. RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT FIELD UNIT-VIETNAM, ADVANCED RESEARCH PROJECTS AGENCY, OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE**

For the period 1 May 1968 to 31 December 1969 as announced in United States Army, Vietnam General Orders 781, 1970.

**7. 245TH MEDICAL DETACHMENT**

For the period 27 March 1968 to 15 August 1969 as announced in United States Army, Vietnam General Orders 901, 1970.

**III. VIETNAMESE CROSS OF GALLANTRY WITH PALM. 1.** The award of the Vietnamese Cross of Gallantry with Palm by the Republic of Vietnam to units of the United States Army listed below is confirmed.

**2.** The Cross of Gallantry with Palm has been awarded by the Government of the Republic of Vietnam for outstanding service during the period 6 October 1968 to 11 November 1969 to:

**3D BRIGADE, 82D AIRBORNE DIVISION** and its assigned and attached units:

Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 3d Brigade, 82d Airborne Division

1st Battalion, 505th Infantry, 3d Brigade, 82d Airborne Division

2d Battalion, 505th Infantry, 3d Brigade, 82d Airborne Division

1st Battalion, 508th Infantry, 3d Brigade, 82d Airborne Division

82d Support Battalion, 3d Brigade, 82d Airborne Division

2d Battalion, 321st Artillery

Company C, 307th Engineer Battalion

Troop B, 1st Squadron, 17th Cavalry

58th Signal Company

518th Military Intelligence Detachment

52d Chemical Detachment (For the period 6 October 1968 to 25 October 1969)

45th Public Information Detachment

Company O, 75th Infantry (For the period 1 February 1969 to 11 November 1969)

37th Infantry Platoon (For the period 30 January 1969 to 11 November 1969)

The citation reads as follows:

The 3D BRIGADE, 82D AIRBORNE DIVISION is an outstanding and combat experienced unit which has achieved many accomplishments during military operations against the Communists. During the period 6 October 1968 to 11 November 1969, the 3D BRIGADE, 82D AIRBORNE DIVISION has been responsible for maintaining security and pacification in the areas west and northwest of Saigon. It has conducted 147 important military operations and coordinated regularly with the Republic of Vietnam Armed Forces in many other operations, inflicting heavy weapons losses and personnel casualties upon the enemy. These efforts have enabled the Capital Military Region to frustrate the VietCong's recent campaigns such as: Spring Campaign from 22 February 1969 to 30 April 1969, Summer Campaign from 11 May 1969 to 20 July 1969, and Autumn Campaign from 11 August 1969 to 12 September 1969. In addition, the 3D BRIGADE, 82D AIRBORNE DIVISION has devotedly provided support for the pacification and reconstruction programs conducted in Gia Dinh Province, bringing about favorable results. Furthermore, the Brigade has made a significant contribution towards the defense of the western and northwestern perimeters of the capital city, effectively preventing all VietCong penetration and attack attempts. Through the above achievements, the 3D BRIGADE, 82D AIRBORNE DIVISION has effectively assisted the Republic of Vietnam in the struggle for peace in the country. The remarkable proficiency and devotion to duty displayed by the members of the 3D BRIGADE, 82D AIRBORNE DIVISION were in keeping with the highest traditions of the Armed Forces of the United States.

3. The Cross of Gallantry with Palm has been awarded by the Government of the Republic of Vietnam for outstanding service during the period 1 January 1969 to 31 March 1969 to:

3D SQUADRON, 4TH CAVALRY, 25TH INFANTRY DIVISION and its assigned and attached units:

Headquarters and Headquarters Troop, 3d Squadron, 4th Cavalry

Troop A, 3d Squadron, 4th Cavalry

Troop B, 3d Squadron, 4th Cavalry

Troop C, 3d Squadron, 4th Cavalry

Troop D, 3d Squadron, 4th Cavalry

Company F, 75th Infantry

Battery B, 3d Battalion, 13th Artillery

Company B, 65th Engineer Battalion

The citation reads as follows:

The 3D SQUADRON, 4TH CAVALRY, 25TH INFANTRY DIVISION has displayed a high degree of combat efficiency and sacrifice. Operating in the Republic of Vietnam the 3D SQUADRON, 4TH CAVALRY has participated in many of the important operations conducted in the III Corps Tactical Zone, and has inflicted heavy losses on the enemy. Especially during the period from 1 January 1969 to 31 March 1969, the 3D SQUADRON, 4TH CAVALRY con-

tinuously and soundly engaged the Communists in the Tay Ninh and Dau Tieng areas, and in the Ho Bo and Boi Loi secret bases. Although they encountered unfavorable terrain and heavy enemy fire, the men of the 3D SQUADRON, 4TH CAVALRY bravely fought, using lightning tactics to destroy and neutralize many Vietcong and North Vietnamese main force units. In conjunction with the military effort, the men of the 3D SQUADRON, 4TH CAVALRY have capably and devotedly taken part in civic action activities to support the local people, bringing about successful results. With the above achievements, the 3D SQUADRON, 4TH CAVALRY has effectively and immeasurably contributed to the military efforts against the Communists to preserve peace and freedom in the Republic of Vietnam. The remarkable proficiency and devotion to duty displayed by the members of the 3D SQUADRON, 4TH CAVALRY were in keeping with the highest traditions of the Armed Forces of the United States.

4. The Cross of Gallantry with Palm has been awarded by the Government of the Republic of Vietnam for outstanding service during the periods indicated to:

101ST AIRBORNE DIVISION (AIRMOBILE) and its assigned and attached units:

Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 101st Airborne Division  
(For the period 19 July 1968 through 14 May 1969)

Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 1st Brigade, 101st Airborne  
Division (For the period 19 July 1968 through 14 May 1969)

1st Battalion, 327th Infantry (For the period 19 July 1968 through  
14 May 1969)

2d Battalion, 327th Infantry (For the period 19 July 1968 through  
14 May 1969)

3d Battalion, 502d Infantry (For the period 19 July 1968 through 14  
May 1969)

Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 2d Brigade, 101st Airborne  
Division (For the period 15 August 1968 through 14 May 1969)

1st Battalion, 501st Infantry (For the period 15 August 1968 through  
14 May 1969)

2d Battalion, 501st Infantry (For the period 15 August 1968 through  
14 May 1969)

1st Battalion, 502d Infantry (For the period 15 August 1968 through  
14 May 1969)

Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 3d Brigade, 101st Airborne  
Division (For the period 19 July 1968 through 14 May 1969)

1st Battalion, 506th Infantry (For the period 19 July 1968 through 14  
May 1969)

2d Battalion, 506th Infantry (For the period 19 July 1968 through 14  
May 1969)

3d Battalion, 187th Infantry (For the period 19 July 1968 through 14  
May 1969)

3d Battalion, 506th Infantry (For the period 19 July 1968 through 14  
May 1969)

Headquarters and Headquarters Battery, 101st Airborne Division  
Artillery (For the period 19 July 1968 through 14 May 1969)

2d Battalion, 319th Artillery (For the period 19 July 1968 through 14 May 1969)  
1st Battalion, 321st Artillery (For the period 15 August 1968 through 14 May 1969)  
2d Battalion, 11th Artillery (For the period 19 July 1968 through 14 May 1969)  
Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 101st Aviation Group (For the period 19 July 1968 through 14 May 1969)  
159th Aviation Battalion (For the period 19 July 1968 through 14 May 1969)  
163d Aviation Company (For the period 19 July 1968 through 14 May 1969)  
101st Aviation Battalion (For the period 19 July 1968 through 14 May 1969)  
42d Infantry Platoon (For the period 19 July 1968 through 14 May 1969)  
2d Squadron, 17th Cavalry (For the period 15 August 1968 through 14 May 1969)  
Headquarters and Headquarters Company and Band, 101st Airborne Division Support Command (For the period 19 July 1968 through 14 May 1969)  
326th Medical Battalion (For the period 19 July 1968 through 14 May 1969) (For Company B—15 August 1968 through 14 May 1969)  
426th Supply and Service Battalion (For the period 19 July 1968 through 14 May 1969)  
801st Maintenance Battalion (For the period 19 July 1968 through 14 May 1969) (For 2d Platoon, Company A, 15 August 1968 through 14 May 1969)  
326th Engineer Battalion (For the period 19 July 1968 through 14 May 1969) (For Company C—15 August 1968 through 14 May 1969)  
501st Signal Battalion (For the period 19 July 1968 through 14 May 1969) (For Company B, 15 August 1968 through 14 May 1969)  
101st Administration Company (For the period 19 July 1968 through 14 May 1969)  
101st Military Intelligence Detachment (For the period 19 July 1968 through 14 May 1969)  
101st Military Police Company (For the period 19 July 1968 through 14 May 1969) (For 2d Platoon—15 August 1968 through 14 May 1969)  
47th Infantry Platoon (For the period 19 July 1968 through 14 May 1969)  
Company F, 58th Infantry (For the period 19 July 1968 through 1 February 1969)  
58th Infantry Platoon (For the period 19 July 1968 through 14 May 1969)  
557th Infantry Platoon (For the period 19 July 1968 through 14 May 1969)  
10th Chemical Platoon (For the period 19 July 1968 through 14 May 1969)

20th Chemical Platoon (For the period 19 July 1968 through 14 May 1969)  
 22d Military History Detachment (For the period 19 July 1968 through 14 May 1969)  
 Company L, 75th Infantry (For the period 1 February 1969 through 14 May 1969)  
 25th Public Information Detachment (For the period 19 July 1968 through 14 May 1969)  
 34th Public Information Detachment (For the period 15 August 1968 through 14 May 1969)  
 265th Radio Research Company (For the period 15 August 1968 through 14 May 1969)  
 39th Transportation Detachment (For the period 30 August 1968 through 14 May 1969)  
 5th Transportation Battalion (For the period 20 October 1968 through 14 May 1969)  
 327th Transportation Detachment (For the period 20 October 1968 through 14 May 1969)  
 499th Transportation Detachment (For the period 20 October 1968 through 14 May 1969)  
 510th Transportation Detachment (For the period 20 October 1968 through 14 May 1969)  
 516th Transportation Detachment (For the period 20 October 1968 through 14 May 1969)  
 527th Transportation Detachment (For the period 20 October 1968 through 14 May 1969)  
 530th Transportation Detachment (For the period 20 October 1968 through 14 May 1969)  
 625th Transportation Detachment (For the period 20 October 1968 through 14 May 1969)  
 649th Transportation Detachment (For the period 20 October 1968 through 14 May 1969)  
 Battery A, 377th Artillery (For the period 16 December 1968 through 14 May 1969)  
 650th Transportation Detachment (For the period 16 December 1968 through 14 May 1969)  
 Headquarters and Headquarters Battery, 4th Battalion, 77th Artillery (For the period 23 December 1968 through 14 May 1969)  
 Battery A, 4th Battalion, 77th Artillery (For the period 23 December 1968 through 14 May 1969)  
 Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 158th Aviation Battalion (For the period 23 February 1969 through 14 May 1969)  
 Company A, 158th Aviation Battalion (For the period 2 February 1969 through 14 May 1969)  
 Company B, 158th Aviation Battalion (For the period 21 February 1969 through 14 May 1969)  
 Company C, 158th Aviation Battalion (For the period 21 February 1969 through 14 May 1969)  
 Company D, 158th Aviation Battalion (For the period 23 February 1969 through 14 May 1969)



273d Transportation Detachment (For the period 2 February 1969 through 14 May 1969)  
 159th Transportation Detachment (For the period 3 February 1969 through 14 May 1969)  
 Battery D, 2d Battalion, 320th Artillery (For the period 20 February 1969 through 14 May 1969)  
 168th Transportation Detachment (For the period 26 February 1969 through 14 May 1969)  
 169th Transportation Detachment (For the period 25 February 1969 through 14 May 1969)  
 Battery C, 4th Battalion, 77th Artillery (For the period 25 March 1969 through 14 May 1969)  
 331st Transportation Detachment (For the period 25 March 1969 through 14 May 1969)  
 332d Transportation Detachment (For the period 25 March 1969 through 14 May 1969)  
 388th Transportation Detachment (For the period 25 March 1969 through 14 May 1969)  
 Battery B, 4th Battalion, 77th Artillery (For the period 30 March 1969 through 14 May 1969)  
 268th Transportation Detachment (For the period 30 March 1969 through 14 May 1969)  
 333d Transportation Detachment (For the period 30 March 1969 through 14 May 1969)  
 507th Transportation Detachment (For the period 30 March 1969 through 14 May 1969)  
 181st Military Intelligence Detachment (For the period 19 July 1968 through 20 December 1968)

The citation reads as follows:

The 101ST AIRBORNE DIVISION, an outstanding unit of professional soldiers which exhibits a gallant fighting spirit, has achieved many outstanding victories against Communist aggressors. During the cited periods throughout the 11th Tactical Area, in Quang Tri and Thua Thien Province in Northern I Corps Area, the 101ST AIRBORNE DIVISION fought bravely and achieved the following brilliant results: 7,679 Vietcong killed in action, 1,104 Vietcong taken prisoner, 1,356 Vietcong surrendered, and 4,963 assorted weapons seized. The men of the 101ST AIRBORNE DIVISION were engaged in operations against the following enemy forces: The North Vietnamese Army Regiment in the Phu Loc District, the 5th North Vietnamese Army Regiment in the vicinity of Nam Hoa Mountains, and also eliminated 95 percent of the enemy infrastructure in Phu Vanh, Phu Loc, Phu Thu, and Vinh Loc Districts. They effectively protected National Highway I, and the Da Nang to Hue Railway, and inflicted many casualties on the C-116, C-117, and C-118 North Vietnamese units, thus eliminating the insurgents' capabilities to shell Hue City during TET of 1969. The soldiers of the 101ST AIRBORNE DIVISION always displayed high morale in fighting for the freedom of and reconstruction of facilities for the people in the Republic of Vietnam during the period 19 July 1968 through 14 May 1969. The remarkable proficiency and devotion to duty displayed by the members of the 101ST AIRBORNE DIVISION were in keeping with the highest traditions of the Armed Forces of the United States.

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5. The Cross of Gallantry with Palm has been awarded by the Government of the Republic of Vietnam for outstanding service during the periods indicated to:

199TH INFANTRY BRIGADE and its assigned and attached units:

Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 199th Infantry Brigade  
(For the period 31 January 1968 through 19 February 1968)

44th Military History Detachment (For the period 31 January 1968  
through 19 February 1968)

179th Military Intelligence Detachment (For the period 31 January  
1968 through 19 February 1968)

503d Chemical Detachment (For the period 31 January 1968 through  
19 February 1968)

856th Radio Research Detachment (For the period 31 January 1968  
through 19 February 1968)

152d Military Police Platoon (For the period 31 January 1968 through  
19 February 1968)

298th Signal Platoon (For the period 31 January 1968 through 19 Feb-  
ruary 1968)

40th Public Information Detachment (For the period 31 January 1968  
through 19 February 1968)

Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 2d Battalion, 3d Infantry  
(For the period 31 January 1968 through 19 February 1968)

Company A, 2d Battalion, 3d Infantry (For the period 31 January  
1968 through 19 February 1968)

Company B, 2d Battalion, 3d Infantry (For the period 31 January  
1968 through 19 February 1968)

Company C, 2d Battalion, 3d Infantry (For the period 31 January  
1968 through 19 February 1968)

Company D, 2d Battalion, 3d Infantry (For the period 5 February  
1968 through 19 February 1968)

Company E, 2d Battalion, 3d Infantry (For the period 31 January  
1968 through 19 February 1968)

Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 3d Battalion, 7th Infan-  
try (For the period 31 January 1968 through 19 February 1968)

Company A, 3d Battalion, 7th Infantry (For the period 31 January  
1968 through 19 February 1968)

Company B, 3d Battalion, 7th Infantry (For the period 31 January  
1968 through 19 February 1968)

Company C, 3d Battalion, 7th Infantry (For the period 31 January  
1968 through 19 February 1968)

Company D, 3d Battalion, 7th Infantry (For the period 1 February  
1968 through 19 February 1968)

Company E, 3d Battalion, 7th Infantry (For the period 31 January  
1968 through 19 February 1968)

Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 4th Battalion, 12th In-  
fantry (For the period 31 January 1968 through 19 February 1968)

Company A, 4th Battalion, 12th Infantry (For the period 31 Jan-  
uary 1968 through 19 February 1968)

Company B, 4th Battalion, 12th Infantry (For the period 31 January  
1968 through 19 February 1968)

Company C, 4th Battalion, 12th Infantry (For the period 31 January 1968 through 19 February 1968)

Company D, 4th Battalion, 12th Infantry (For the period 5 February 1968 through 19 February 1968)

Company E, 4th Battalion, 12th Infantry (For the period 31 January 1968 through 19 February 1968)

Headquarters and Headquarters Service Battery, 2d Battalion, 40th Artillery (For the period 31 January 1968 through 19 February 1968)

Battery A, 2d Battalion, 40th Artillery (For the period 31 January 1968 through 19 February 1968)

Battery B, 2d Battalion, 40th Artillery (For the period 31 January 1968 through 19 February 1968)

Battery C, 2d Battalion, 40th Artillery (For the period 31 January 1968 through 19 February 1968)

Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment, 7th Combat Support Battalion (For the period 31 January 1968 through 19 February 1968)

Company A, 7th Combat Support Battalion (For the period 31 January 1968 through 19 February 1968)

Company B, 7th Combat Support Battalion (For the period 31 January 1968 through 19 February 1968)

Company C, 7th Combat Support Battalion (For the period 31 January 1968 through 19 February 1968)

71st Infantry Detachment (For the period 31 January 1968 through 19 February 1968)

11th Combat Tracker Team (Provisional) (For the period 31 January 1968 through 19 February 1968)

49th Infantry Platoon (For the period 31 January 1968 through 19 February 1968)

Troop A, 17th Cavalry (For the period 31 January 1968 through 19 February 1968)

87th Engineer Company (For the period 31 January 1968 through 19 February 1968)

Troop D, 17th Cavalry (For the period 31 January 1968 through 19 February 1968)

Company F, 51st Infantry (For the period 1 February 1968 through 19 February 1968)

The citation reads as follows:

The 199TH INFANTRY BRIGADE is an excellent unit and has distinguished itself in the counteroffensive during TET MAU THAN from 31 January 1968 through 19 February 1968. When enemy forces attempted to attack II Field Force Headquarters and Bien Hoa Air Base with rockets, Brigade Artillery units reacted immediately, destroying almost all of the enemy rocket sites. The 275th Viet Cong Regiment then launched a ground attack against the II Field Force Headquarters located within the Long Binh Military Complex. The members of the 199TH INFANTRY BRIGADE performed countless acts of heroism in the face of the enemy assault. The 199TH INFANTRY BRIGADE has contributed significantly to the fighting against the Viet Cong in support of the liberty of the Republic of Vietnam.

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6. The Cross of Gallantry with Palm has been awarded by the Government of the Republic of Vietnam for outstanding service during the periods indicated to:

1ST BRIGADE, 5TH INFANTRY DIVISION and its assigned and attached units:

Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 1st Brigade, 5th Infantry Division (For the period 26 August 1968 to 2 November 1968)

1st Battalion, 11th Infantry (For the period 26 August 1968 to 2 November 1968)

Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 61st Infantry (For the period 26 August 1968 to 2 November 1968)

Company A, 1st Battalion, 61st Infantry (For the period 26 August 1968 to 2 November 1968)

Company B, 1st Battalion, 61st Infantry (For the period 26 August 1968 to 2 November 1968 and 7 December 1968 to 9 December 1968)

Company C, 1st Battalion, 61st Infantry (For the period 26 August 1968 to 2 November 1968 and 24 November 1968 to 9 December 1968)

Company D, 1st Battalion, 61st Infantry (For the period 26 August 1968 to 2 November 1968)

Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 77th Armor (For the period 26 August 1968 to 2 November 1968)

Company A, 1st Battalion, 77th Armor (For the period 17 August 1968 to 2 November 1968)

Company B, 1st Battalion, 77th Armor (For the period 26 August 1968 to 2 November 1968 and 7 December 1968 to 9 December 1968)

Company C, 1st Battalion, 77th Armor (For the period 26 August 1968 to 2 November 1968)

Company D, 1st Battalion, 77th Armor (For the period 26 August 1968 to 2 November 1968)

5th Battalion, 4th Artillery (For the period 26 August 1968 to 2 November 1968)

75th Support Battalion (For the period 26 August 1968 to 2 November 1968)

Troop A, 4th Squadron, 12th Cavalry (Less 1st and 3d Platoons) (For the period 26 August 1968 to 2 November 1968)

1st Platoon, Troop A, 4th Squadron, 12th Cavalry (For the period 26 August 1968 to 2 November 1968 and 25 November 1968 to 9 December 1968)

3d Platoon, Troop A, 4th Squadron, 12th Cavalry (For the period 26 August 1968 to 2 November 1968 and 22 November 1968 to 25 November 1968)

Company A, 7th Engineer Battalion (For the period 26 August 1968 to 2 November 1968)

298th Signal Company (For the period 26 August 1968 to 2 November 1968)

517th Military Intelligence Detachment (For the period 26 August 1968 to 2 November 1968)

407th Radio Research Detachment (For the period 26 August 1968 to 2 November 1968)

86th Chemical Detachment (For the period 26 August 1968 to 2 November 1968)

48th Public Information Detachment (For the period 26 August 1968 to 2 November 1968)

Tactical Air Control Party, United States Air Force (For the period 26 August 1968 to 2 November 1968)

The citation reads as follows:

The 1ST BRIGADE, 5TH INFANTRY DIVISION, United States Army is an experienced unit which willingly fought against the Viet Cong in order to protect the freedom of the Republic of Vietnam. During the period the 1ST BRIGADE, 5TH INFANTRY DIVISION, served in the 11th Tactical Area, Republic of Vietnam, it participated in combined operations at the Demilitarized Zone, creating great losses for the Communists forces. In 1968, the men of the Brigade attacked enemy hideouts during two operations; Lien Ket at Cam Lo and Kentucky at Dong Ha. These operations were designed to cut off the enemy infiltration in the Demilitarized Zone and protect the security of Gio Linh, Cam Lo, and Trung Luong districts. With the achievements mentioned above, the Brigade contributed effectively to the fight against Communism in the Republic of Vietnam. The remarkable proficiency and devotion to duty displayed by the members of the 1ST BRIGADE, 5TH INFANTRY DIVISION were in keeping with the highest traditions of the Armed Forces of the United States.

**IV--CIVIL ACTION HONOR MEDAL, FIRST CLASS. 1.** The award of the Civil Action Honor Medal, First Class by the Republic of Vietnam to a unit of the United States Army listed below is confirmed.

**2.** The Civil Action Honor Medal, First Class has been awarded by the Government of the Republic of Vietnam for outstanding service during the period 1 January 1968 through 13 September 1969 to:

**41ST CIVIL AFFAIRS COMPANY**

The citation reads as follows:

The 41ST CIVIL AFFAIRS COMPANY has shown great enthusiasm in performing all of its missions. During the Company's service in Vietnam, from 1 January 1968 through 13 September 1969, in support of the Army of the Republic of Vietnam, it has helped the local people and government to build schools, dispensaries, wells, roads, and bridges. The 41ST CIVIL AFFAIRS COMPANY also conducted a training program to prepare Vietnamese medics for work in the villages. The Company's assistance was particularly valuable after the TET MAU THAN Offensive in 1968. It provided extensive assistance to the local government to aid the victims of the Offensive. In addition, the Company initiated a very successful program to help the farmers develop and use new agricultural techniques. The above clearly indicates the active and substantial participation by the 41ST CIVIL AFFAIRS COMPANY in the Government of Vietnam Pacification and Rural Development Program. Through the above achievements, the 41ST CIVIL AFFAIRS COMPANY has contributed greatly to the common struggle against Communism, as well as helped the Republic of Vietnam in its reconstruction.

3. The Civil Actions Honor Medal, First Class has been awarded by the Government of the Republic of Vietnam for outstanding service during the periods indicated to:

20TH ENGINEER BRIGADE, and its assigned and attached units:

Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 20th Engineer Brigade  
(For the period 3 August 1967 to 9 February 1970)

Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 34th Engineer Group (For  
the period 3 August 1967 to 9 February 1970).

34th Engineer Battalion (For the period 3 August 1967 to 9 February  
1970)

36th Engineer Battalion (For the period 1 September 1967 to 9 Febru-  
ary 1970)

41st Engineer Company (For the period 3 August 1967 to 9 February  
1970)

43d Engineer Company (For the period 3 August 1967 to 9 February  
1970)

46th Engineer Battalion (For the period 3 August 1967 to 9 February  
1970)

62d Engineer Battalion (For the period 3 August 1967 to 9 February  
1970)

66th Engineer Company (For the period 3 August 1967 to 9 February  
1970)

67th Engineer Company (For the period 3 August 1967 to 9 February  
1970)

69th Engineer Battalion (For the period 3 August 1967 to 9 February  
1970)

Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 79th Engineer Group (for  
the period 3 August 1967 to 9 February 1970)

92d Engineer Battalion (For the period 3 August 1967 to 9 February  
1970)

93d Engineer Battalion (For the period 3 August 1967 to 9 February  
1970)

94th Engineer Detachment (For the period 3 August 1967 to 9 Febru-  
ary 1970)

100th Engineer Company (For the period 3 August 1967 to 9 February  
1970)

103d Engineer Company (For the period 3 August 1967 to 9 February  
1970)

104th Engineer Company (For the period 3 August 1967 to 9 February  
1970)

143d Engineer Detachment (For the period 3 August 1967 to 9 Febru-  
ary 1970)

Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 159th Engineer Group  
(For the period 3 August 1967 to 9 February 1970)

168th Engineer Battalion (For the period 3 August 1967 to 9 February  
1970)

169th Engineer Battalion (For the period 3 August 1967 to 9 February  
1970)

362d Engineer Company (For the period 3 August 1967 to 9 February  
1970)

500th Engineer Company (For the period 3 August 1967 to 9 February 1970)  
544th Engineer Company (For the period 3 August 1967 to 9 February 1970)  
547th Engineer Detachment (For the period 3 August 1967 to 9 February 1970)  
554th Engineer Battalion (For the period 3 August 1967 to 9 February 1970)  
557th Engineer Company (For the period 3 August 1967 to 9 February 1970)  
588th Engineer Battalion (For the period 3 August 1967 to 9 February 1970)  
595th Engineer Company (For the period 3 August 1967 to 9 February 1970)  
917th Engineer Detachment (For the period 3 August 1967 to 9 February 1970)  
22d Engineer Detachment (For the period 18 October 1967 to 9 February 1970)  
27th Engineer Battalion (For the period 9 August 1967 to 18 April 1968)  
31st Engineer Battalion (For the period 25 April 1968 to 9 February 1970)  
35th Engineer Battalion (For the period 14 December 1968 to 9 February 1970)  
38th Engineer Detachment (For the period 1 August 1968 to 9 February 1970)  
60th Engineer Company (For the period 26 December 1968 to 8 February 1970)  
86th Engineer Battalion (For the period 3 August 1967 to 25 September 1967 and 22 October 1967 to 15 August 1969)  
113th Engineer Detachment (For the period 21 September 1967 to 9 February 1970)  
156th Engineer Detachment (For the period 1 August 1968 to 9 February 1970)  
497th Engineer Company (For the period 27 January 1969 to 1 September 1969)  
501st Engineer Company (For the period 26 December 1968 to 9 February 1970)  
515th Engineer Platoon (For the period 1 November 1967 to 9 February 1970)  
517th Engineer Company (For the period 31 December 1968 to 9 February 1970)  
523d Engineer Company (For the period 1 July 1968 to 9 February 1970)  
536th Engineer Detachment (For the period 3 August 1967 to 1 July 1968)  
551st Engineer Detachment (For the period 21 January 1968 to 9 February 1970)  
573d Engineer Company (For the period 3 August 1967 to 16 December 1968)

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- 579th Engineer Detachment (For the period 2 October 1968 to 30 April 1969)
- 591st Engineer Company (For the period 16 August 1967 to 18 April 1968)
- 617th Engineer Company (For the period 3 August 1967 to 18 March 1969)
- 643d Engineer Company (For the period 3 August 1967 to 18 March 1969)
- 702d Engineer Detachment (For the period 22 May 1968 to 9 February 1970)
- 714th Engineer Detachment (For the period 22 May 1968 to 9 February 1970)
- 984th Engineer Company (For the period 1 January 1969 to 9 February 1970)

The citation reads as follows:

The Civil Actions Honor Medal, First Class is awarded to the 20TH ENGINEER BRIGADE, United States Army for meritorious and valorous achievement in the Republic of Vietnam. The Brigade provided outstanding and highly professional assistance in both military and civil action during its tour in the Republic of Vietnam. It aided in the reconstruction of houses in the capital city of Saigon following the Tet Offensive of 1968; constructed schools, first aid stations, markets, and village and hamlet headquarters, and provided security for the people living in the III Corps Tactical Zone. Additionally, it aided in the construction and resurrection of roads, bridges, and ferry sites. The achievements of the 20TH ENGINEER BRIGADE are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military and reflect great credit upon its personnel and the United States Army.

**V. VALOROUS UNIT AWARD.** Paragraph 3, section III, DA General Orders 42, 1969, pertaining to the award of the Valorous Unit Award to the 3d Brigade (—), 9th Infantry Division, is amended to delete "Battery A, 3d Battalion, 34th Artillery."

**VI. MERITORIOUS UNIT COMMENDATION.** So much of paragraph 12, section II, DA General Orders 17, 1969, pertaining to the award of the Meritorious Unit Commendation to the 159th Transportation Battalion, as reads: ". . . during the period 1 April 1967 to 30 December 1967 . . .," is amended to read: ". . . during the period 1 April 1967 to 30 September 1967 . . .," and the paragraph is further amended to add:

"544th Transportation Company"

"1098th Transportation Company"

"854th Transportation Company"

"285th Transportation Company"

"Transportation Company (Provisional)" comprised of:

"14th Transportation Platoon"

"522d Transportation Platoon"

"554th Transportation Platoon"

"474th Transportation Detachment"

"485th Transportation Detachment"

"274th Transportation Detachment"



"396th Transportation Detachment"  
 "268th Transportation Detachment"  
 "585th Transportation Detachment"  
 "272d Transportation Detachment"

**VII. UNITS CREDITED WITH ASSAULT LANDINGS.** Paragraph 2, section II, WD General Orders 70, 1945, pertaining to North Africa (Amphibious), is amended to delete "9th Ordnance Medium Maintenance Company."

**VIII. VIETNAMESE CROSS OF GALLANTRY WITH PALM. 1.** Paragraph 4, section II, DA General Orders 21, 1969, pertaining to the award of the Vietnamese Cross of Gallantry with Palm to the 1st Brigade, 101st Airborne Division (Airmobile) and its assigned and attached units, is amended to add "22d Military History Detachment."

2. Paragraph 2, section V, DA General Orders 31, 1969, pertaining to the award of the Vietnamese Cross of Gallantry with Palm to the 9th Infantry Division and its assigned and attached units, is amended to add "86th Engineer Battalion, for the period 26 September 1967 through 21 October 1967."

3. Paragraph 2, section II, DA General Orders 21, 1969, pertaining to the award of the Vietnamese Cross of Gallantry with Palm to the 1st Infantry Division, is amended to delete "5th Battalion, 60th Infantry."

4. Paragraph 5, section II, DA General Orders 46, 1969 is revoked.

5. Paragraph 7, section II, DA General Orders 46, 1969 is revoked.

6. Paragraph 4, section III, DA General Orders 59, 1969, pertaining to the award of the Vietnamese Cross of Gallantry with Palm to the 9th Infantry Division and its assigned and attached units, is amended to delete "Troop A, 3d Squadron, 17th Cavalry."

7. Paragraph 4, section III, DA General Orders 59, 1969, pertaining to the award of the Vietnamese Cross of Gallantry with Palm to the 9th Infantry Division and its assigned and attached units, is amended to delete "86th Engineer Battalion."

8. Paragraph 2, section V, DA General Orders 31, 1969, pertaining to the award of the Vietnamese Cross of Gallantry with Palm to the 9th Infantry Division and its assigned and attached units, is amended to add "Troop A, 3d Squadron, 17th Cavalry, for the period 1 August 1968 through 30 June 1968."

9. Paragraph 2, section V, DA General Orders 31, 1969, pertaining to the Award to the Vietnamese Cross of Gallantry with Palm to the 9th Infantry Division and its assigned and attached units, is amended to add the words "For the period 1 December 1966 to 15 February 1968," after 3d Squadron, 5th Cavalry, and "1 December 1966 through 30 June 1968, for Troop D only."

10. Paragraph 2, section III, DA General Orders 21, 1969, pertaining to the award of the Vietnamese Cross of Gallantry with Palm (Second Award) to the 1st Aviation Brigade and its assigned and attached units, is amended to delete "9th Signal Detachment."

11. Paragraph 3, section II, DA General Orders 21, 1969, pertaining to the award of the Vietnamese Cross of Gallantry with Palm to the 25th Infantry Division and its assigned and attached units, is amended to add the words "December 1965 through 4 April 1967" after Battery B, 5th Battalion, 2d Artillery.

12. Paragraph 2, section VI, DA General Orders 60, 1969, pertaining to the award of the Vietnamese Cross of Gallantry with Palm to the 5th Battalion, 2d

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Artillery, is amended to add the words "5 April 1967 through 23 April 1967" after Battery C, 5th Battalion, 2d Artillery (For 2d Platoon, 14 November 1968 through 15 March 1969)."

13. Section V, DA General Orders 43, 1969 is revoked.

14. Paragraph 2, section V, DA General Orders 31, 1969, pertaining to the award of the Vietnamese Cross of Gallantry with Palm to the 9th Infantry Division and its assigned and attached units, is amended to add "Battery C, 5th Battalion, 2d Artillery (For the period 24 April 1967 through 30 June 1968)."

15. Paragraph 3, section II, DA General Orders 21, 1969, pertaining to the award of the Vietnamese Cross of Gallantry with Palm to the 25th Infantry Division and its assigned and attached units, is amended to add the words "22 May 1967 through 15 July 1968" after 6th Battalion 77th Artillery.

16. Paragraph 2, section III, DA General Orders 59, 1969, pertaining to the award of the Vietnamese Cross of Gallantry with Palm to the 1st Cavalry Division and its assigned and attached units, is amended to add "Battery B, 1st Battalion, 30th Artillery for the periods 9 August 1965 through 30 June 1966, 1 August 1966 through 8 December 1966, and 19 January 1967 through 19 May 1969."

17. Paragraph 2, section III, DA General Orders 59, 1969, pertaining to the award of the Vietnamese Cross of Gallantry with Palm to the 1st Cavalry Division and its assigned and attached units, is amended to add:

"545th Military Police Company"

"371st Radio Research Company"

18. Paragraph 2, section III, DA General Orders 21, 1969, pertaining to the award of the Vietnamese Cross of Gallantry with Palm (Second Award) to the 1st Aviation Brigade and its assigned and attached units as reads, during the period 22 February 1967 to 17 May 1968 is amended to add the words "27 March 1967 to 17 May 1968," after the following units:

Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 1st Aviation Brigade

4th Signal Detachment

5th Aviation Detachment

12th Aviation Group

13th Security Platoon

13th Aviation Battalion

14th Security Platoon

17th Aviation Group

48th Aviation Company

85th Medical Detachment

131st Aviation Company

134th Medical Detachment

19. Paragraph 2, section III, DA General Orders 21, 1969, pertaining to the award of the Vietnamese Cross of Gallantry with Palm (Second Award) to the 1st Aviation Brigade and its assigned and attached units, is amended to add:

"Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment, 10th Aviation Battalion"

"Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment, 11th Aviation Battalion"

"Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 14th Aviation Battalion"

"Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment, 52d Aviation Battalion (For the period 27 March 1966 to 17 May 1968)"

**IX--CIVIL ACTION HONOR MEDAL, FIRST CLASS.** 1. Paragraph 2, section V, DA General Orders 59, 1969, pertaining to the award of the Civil Action Honor Medal, First Class to the 9th Infantry Division and its assigned and attached units, is amended to add the words "26 September 1967 through 21 October 1967" after 86th Engineer Battalion.

2. Paragraph 2, section V, DA General Orders 59, 1969, pertaining to the award of the Civil Action Honor Medal, First Class to the 9th Infantry Division and its assigned and attached units, is amended to add the words "1 August 1968 through 31 October 1968" after Troop A, 3d Squadron, 17th Cavalry.

3. Paragraph 2, section V, DA General Orders 59, 1969, pertaining to the award of the Civil Action Honor Medal, First Class to the 9th Infantry Division and its assigned and attached units, is amended to add the words "1 February 1969 through 28 June 1969" after Troop B, 3d Squadron, 17th Cavalry.

4. Paragraph 2, section V, DA General Orders 59, 1969, pertaining to the award of the Civil Action Honor Medal, First Class to the 9th Infantry Division and its assigned and attached units, is amended to add "3d Battalion, 39th Infantry".

5. Paragraph 2, section V, DA General Orders 59, 1969, pertaining to the award of the Civil Action Honor Medal, First Class to the 9th Infantry Division and its assigned and attached units, is amended to add "3d Squadron, 5th Cavalry (For the period 19 December 1966 to 15 February 1968 and 19 December 1966 to 28 June 1969, for Troop D only)."

6. Paragraph 2, section V, DA General Orders 59, 1969, pertaining to the award of the Civil Action Honor Medal, First Class to the 9th Infantry Division and its assigned and attached units, is amended to add the words "24 April 1967 through 28 June 1969" after Battery C, 5th Battalion, 2d Artillery.

**X--VIETNAM CAMPAIGN PARTICIPATION CREDITS.** 1. Paragraph 3, section II, DA General Orders 83, 1968, pertaining to Vietnam Advisory Campaign, is amended to add "68th Aviation Company."

2. Paragraph 3, section III, DA General Orders 83, 1968, pertaining to Vietnam Defense Campaign, is amended to add "132d Aviation Company."

3. Paragraph 3, section IV, DA General Orders 83, 1968, pertaining to Vietnam Counteroffensive Campaign, is amended to add:

"132d Aviation Company"

"870th Transportation Company"

4. Paragraph 3, section III, DA General Orders 83, 1968, pertaining to Vietnam Defense Campaign, is amended to delete:

"334th Aviation Company"

"335th Aviation Company"

5. Paragraph 3, section II, DA General Orders 83, 1968, pertaining to Vietnam Advisory Campaign, is amended to delete "74th Reconnaissance Airplane Company."

6. Paragraph 3, section IV, DA General Orders 83, 1968, pertaining to Vietnam Counteroffensive Campaign, is amended to delete:

"334th Aviation Company"

"335th Aviation Company"

7. Paragraph 3, section V, DA General Orders 83, 1968, pertaining to Vietnam Counteroffensive Phase II Campaign, is amended to delete:

"7th Battalion, 15th Artillery"

"355th Aviation Company"

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8. Paragraph 3, section II, DA General Orders 47, 1969, pertaining to Vietnam Counteroffensive Phase III Campaign, is amended to add "8th Battalion, 4th Artillery."

9. Paragraph 3, section II, DA General Orders 47, 1969, pertaining to Vietnam Counteroffensive Phase III Campaign, is amended to delete:

"4th Battalion, 8th Artillery"

"Battery F, 26th Artillery"

10. Paragraph 3, section II, DA General Orders 54, 1969, pertaining to TET Counteroffensive Campaign, is amended to add:

"8th Battalion, 4th Artillery"

"2d Battalion, 321st Artillery"

"Headquarters, Provisional Corps Vietnam"

"Headquarters and Headquarters Battery, Corps Artillery (Provisional)"

11. Paragraph 3, section II, DA General Orders 54, 1969, pertaining to TET Counteroffensive Campaign, is amended to delete:

"4th Battalion, 8th Artillery"

"161st Aviation Company"

"Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 188th Maintenance Battalion"

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