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**MERITORIOUS UNIT COMMENDATION**...By direction of the Secretary of the Army, under the provisions of paragraph 203, AR 672-5-1, the Meritorious Unit Commendation is awarded to the following-named unit of the Armed Forces of the United States for exceptionally meritorious achievement in the performance of outstanding service during the period indicated:

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

with citation as follows:

The Research and Development Field Unit-Vietnam, Advanced Research Projects Agency, Office of the Secretary of Defense, distinguished itself in support of military operations in the Republic of Vietnam during the period 1 January 1970 to 31 May 1971. Demonstrating singular initiative, diligence, and consummate skill, the officers and men of the unit provided a fast-reaction capability for the conduct of behavioral science research and operations and systems analysis, as well as materiel testing and evaluation for agencies of the United States Mission Council. Through an enlightened program of counterparts development, they materially aided the achievement of Allied cooperation and contributed greatly to the satisfaction of national security needs in the Republic of Vietnam. With ingenuity and resourcefulness, the members of the Research and Development Field Unit-Vietnam, Advanced Research Projects Agency, Office of the Secretary of Defense successfully completed numerous studies that provided invaluable information concerning the evaluation of hamlet security, the causes of refugee movements, Vietnamese social values, psychological operations, and the motivation and morale of the enemy. By providing special reports, continuous liaison, and combined use of data bases and test environments in the development of new and improved weapons, equipment, concepts, and techniques, unit personnel materially advanced the free world effort in the Republic of Vietnam. The remarkable proficiency and devotion to duty displayed by members of the Research and Development Field Unit-Vietnam, Advanced Research Projects Agency, Office of the Secretary of Defense are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service and reflect distinct credit upon them and the Armed Forces of the United States.

By Order of the Secretary of the Army:

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