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**I. MERITORIOUS UNIT COMMENDATION (NAVY).** Award of the Meritorious United Commendation (Navy) to the following United States Army (provisional) units attached to TASK FORCE SIXTY-FIVE is confirmed in accordance with paragraph 9-9, AR 672-5-1.

For the period 3 June 1974 to 22 July 1975

Task Group 65.6 Army Land Clearance Group

Task Unit 65.6.0 Command Headquarters Staff Unit

Task Element 65.6.0.1 Staff Element

Task Unit 65.6.1 Operations and Analysis Unit

Task Unit 65.6.2 Battery A, Explosive Disposal Unit

Task Unit 65.6.3 Battery B, Explosive Disposal Unit

Task Unit 65.6.4 Battery C, Engineer Unit

Task Unit 65.6.5 Battery D, Engineer Unit

Task Unit 65.6.6 Battery E, Engineer Unit

Task Unit 65.6.7 Battery F, Engineer Unit

Task Unit 65.6.8 Field Communications Unit (Signal Section, 7th Signal Brigade)

The citation reads as follows: "The Secretary of the Navy takes pleasure in presenting the Meritorious Unit Commendation to

## TASK FORCE SIXTY-FIVE

for service as set forth in the following citation:

For meritorious service from 3 June 1974 to 22 July 1975 during clearance operations, NIMBUS MOON and NIMROD SPAR, and Residual Force operations in the Suez Canal area, Arab Republic of Egypt. Operating with high international visibility under the tension of an uneasy truce and in the face of substandard living and working conditions, the personnel of Task Force SIXTY-FIVE carried out their difficult and challenging mission with outstanding skill and dedication. As a result of this superb effort and in cooperation with the forces of the Arab Republic of Egypt and other participating nations, assigned explosive ordnance disposal and salvage operations in the Suez Canal area were accomplished efficiently and expeditiously, contributing significantly toward restoration of a vital waterway and maintenance of peace in a troubled area. By their courage, perseverance, and unfailing devotion to duty throughout this period, the officers and men of Task Force SIXTY-FIVE reflected credit

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upon themselves and upheld the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service.

/S/ J WILLIAM MIDDENDORF  
Secretary of the Navy

**II--DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CROSS.** By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 25 July 1963, the Distinguished Service Cross for extraordinary heroism in action is awarded to:

Sergeant Major *Gerald V. Grant*, (then Sergeant First Class), United States Army, for action during the period 28 March 1967 to 30 March 1967, while a member of Command and Control Detachment, 5th Special Forces Group (Airborne), Republic of Vietnam. This award is authorized under the provisions of paragraph 1-13, AR 672-5-1.

**III--SILVER STAR.** By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 9 July 1918, a Silver Star for gallantry in action is awarded to:

Captain *Michael L. Brittingham*, Infantry, , United States Army, for action during the period 23 August 1968 to 24 August 1968, while a member of Mobile Advisory Team I-8, Advisory Team 16, United States Military Assistance Command, Vietnam. This award is authorized under the provisions of paragraph 1-13, AR 672-5-1.

Platoon Sergeant *Henry T. Locklear*, (then Staff Sergeant), United States Army, for action from 29 June 1966 to 4 July 1966, while a member of Company A, 2d Battalion, 327th Infantry, 101st Airborne Division, Republic of Vietnam. This award is authorized under the provisions of paragraph 1-13, AR 672-5-1.

Major *Wilford A. Phelps*, (then Captain), Infantry, United States Army, for action on 4 November 1966, while a member of the Special Forces (Tiger Force) Platoon, Republic of Vietnam. This award is authorized under the provisions of paragraph 1-13, AR 672-5-1.

First Sergeant *Albert Quioco, Jr.*, United States Marine Corps, for action on 22-23 June 1971, while a member of the 1st Infantry Division (Army of the Republic of Vietnam) Advisory Team #3. This award is authorized under the provisions of paragraph 1-13, AR 672-5-1.

Captain *James I. Reid*, Field Artillery, United States Army, for action on 24 April 1945, while a member of the 995th Field Artillery Battalion. This award is authorized under the provisions of paragraph 1-13, AR 672-5-1.

Staff Sergeant *Marion C. Windley, Jr.*, United States Army, for action on 10-12 May 1968, while a member of the 504th Military Police Company, Republic of Vietnam. This award is authorized under the provisions of paragraph 1-13, AR 672-5-1.

**IV--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) (Second Award) for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service is awarded to:

Major General *John Groven*, Belgian Army, from March 1972 to April 1976.

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:

Brigadier General *Shin Yoon Jung*, Republic of Korea Army, May 1972 to March 1973. This award is authorized under the provisions of paragraph 1-13, AR 672-5-1.

Brigadier General *Heinz P. Ptak*, , Air Force of the Federal Republic of Germany from October 1971 to September 1973.

**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 posthumously to:

Sergeant First Class *Earnest L. Mitchell*, , United States Army, for heroism on 3 July 1973, while a member of the Headquarters and Support Company, 7th Medical Battalion.

**VI--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:

Private *Juan R. Aguillen*, , United States Army, for heroism on 20 December 1973, while a member of the 15th Engineer Battalion.

Private First Class *Thomas R. Amos, Jr.*, , United States Army, for heroism on 15 April 1973, while a member of the 1st Battalion, 2d Infantry.

Sergeant *Joseph Arnold*, , United States Army, for heroism on 11 April 1973, while a member of Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 60th Infantry, 172d Infantry Brigade.

Airman First Class *James F. Bailey*, , United States Air Force, for heroism on 31 May 1973, while a member of the 82d Tactical Air Control Party.

Specialist Five *Johnny W. Baker*, , United States Army, for heroism on 7 February 1973, while a member of the Air Ambulance Branch, United States Army Aeromedical Center.

Sergeant *Edgar H. Beach*, , United States Army, for heroism on 4 September 1973, while a member of the United States Army Element, Armed Forces Police Detachment.

Staff Sergeant *Brian Blackney*, , United States Army, for heroism on 11 September 1971, while a member of 504th (Airborne) Infantry.

Sergeant *Delbert S. Buttman*, , United States Army, for heroism on 16 August 1973, while a member of 2d Military Intelligence Detachment.

Captain *Richard L. Cobb*, , Military Intelligence, United States Army, for heroism on 28 January 1973, while a member of Headquarters Command, XVIII Airborne Corps.

Private First Class *Phillip D. Elmer*, , United States Army, for heroism on 20 July 1973, while a member of the 1st Battalion, 15th Infantry.

Specialist Five *Thomas J. Fischer*, , United States Army, for heroism on 1 June 1973, while a member of Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 504th Army Security Agency Group.

Captain *Gary M. Freedman*, , Military Police Corps, United States Army, for heroism on 19 March 1975, while a member of the 2d Military Police Company, 2d Infantry Division.

Specialist Five *Michael R. Gelfand*, , United States Army, for heroism on 8 July 1975, while a member of the Field Operations Activity Element, United States Army Europe and Seventh Army.

Specialist Four *Ricky L. Goldman*, , United States Army, for heroism on 8 October 1975, while a member of the 236th Military Police Detachment.

Second Lieutenant *William S. Goodhand*, , Infantry, United States Army, for heroism on 22 June 1975, while a member of 4th Battalion, 20th Infantry.

Private First Class *Jeffrey L. Hofstetter*, , United States Army, for heroism on 2 August 1975, while a member of 401st Military Police Company.

Specialist Four *Robert M. Jolley*, , United States Army, for heroism on 3 June 1975, while a member of the 67th Military Police Detachment.

Private First Class *Daniel F. Korbel*, , United States Army, for heroism on 9 June 1975, while a member of the 2d Battalion, 34th Armor.

Specialist Four *Henry D. Loonsfoot*, , United States Army, for heroism on 15 March 1975, while a member of 2d Battalion, 28th Infantry.

Captain *Paul P. Mendes*, , Military Intelligence, United States Army, for heroism on 12 April 1975, while a member of the Joint Casualty Resolution Center.

Specialist Four *James J. McIntyre*, , United States Army, for heroism on 18 October 1975, while a member of the 118th Military Police Company.

Staff Sergeant *Wesley E. Parkhurst, Jr.*, , United States Army Reserve, for heroism on 9 June 1973, while a member of Company A, 2d Battalion, 12th Special Forces Group, 1st Special Forces.

Private First Class *Bruce D. Peterson*, , United States Army, for heroism on 17 September 1975, while a member of 1st Squadron, 2d Armored Cavalry Regiment.

Specialist Four *Douglas E. Roemer*, , United States Army, for heroism on 25 September 1975, while a member of the 8th Military Intelligence Company.

Specialist Five *Leonard D. Ryan*, , United States Army, for heroism on 13 April 1975, while a member of the 725th Maintenance Battalion.

Master Sergeant *James H. Sallee*, , United States Army National Guard, for heroism on 25 July 1975, while a member of the 230th Engineer Battalion.

Specialist Four *Jerry W. Sanders*, , United States Army, for heroism on 22 August 1975, while a member of the 158th Aviation Battalion.

Specialist Five *Richard F. Stanley*, , United States Army, for heroism on 8 August 1975, while a member of the 27th Maintenance Battalion.

Private First Class *Stanley N. Thompson*, , United States Army, for heroism on 15 March 1975, while a member of Company A, 2d Battalion, 28th Infantry.

Captain *Roger E. Urbaniak*, , Infantry, United States Army, for heroism on 27 March 1975, while a member of the Joint Casualty Resolution Center.

Specialist Four *Dana P. Wood*, , United States Army, for heroism on 30 August 1975, while a member of the 83d Field Artillery.

Private First Class *Danny L. Worley*, , United States Army, for heroism on 14 January 1975, while a member of Company A, 4th Advanced Individual Training Battalion.

**VII--BRONZE STAR MEDAL. 1.** By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order 11046, 24 August 1962, a Bronze Star Medal with "V" Device for heroism in connection with military operations against hostile forces is awarded to:

Master Sergeant *William E. Bercau*, , (then Sergeant) United States Army, for heroism on 28-29 January 1966, while a member of 2d Battalion, 7th Cavalry, 1st Cavalry Division, Republic of Vietnam. This award is authorized under the provisions of paragraph 1-13, AR 672-5-1.

Sergeant *George H. Carter*, , (then Captain), United States Army, for heroism on 18 September 1965, while a member of the 502d Infantry, 1st Brigade, 101st Airborne Division, Republic of Vietnam. This award is authorized under the provisions for paragraph 1-13, AR 672-5-1.

Private First Class *Michael J. Chicola*, US , United States Army, for heroism on 30 June 1966, while a member of the 1st Platoon, Company C, 2d Battalion, 18th Infantry, 1st Infantry Division, Republic of Vietnam. This award is authorized under the provisions of paragraph 1-13, AR 672-5-1.

Major *Elmer E. Curbow*, , Field Artillery, United States Army, for heroism on 15 July 1965, while a member of the 92d Aviation Company, Republic of Vietnam. This award is authorized under the provisions of paragraph 1-13, AR 672-5-1.

Staff Sergeant *Karl F. Guigas*, , United States Marine Corps, for heroism on 27 June 1970, while a member of the United States Military Assistance Command, Vietnam Advisory Team #3, Republic of Vietnam. This award is authorized under the provisions of paragraph 1-13, AR 672-5-1.

Captain *Robert M. Lee, Jr.*, , Field Artillery, United States Army, for heroism on 9 November 1970, while a Special Forces advisor to a Civilian Irregular Defense Group Company, Republic of Vietnam. This award is authorized under the provisions of paragraph 1-13, AR 672-5-1.

Chief Warrant Officer *Ellery W. Sayers*, , (then Staff Sergeant) United States Army, for heroism on 23 August 1968, while a member of the Mobile Advance Team I-8, Advisory Team 16, United States Military Assistance Command, Vietnam. This award is authorized under the provisions of paragraph 1-13, AR 672-5-1.

**2.** By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order 11046, 24 August 1962, a Bronze Star Medal (Second Oak Leaf Cluster) with "V" Device for heroism in connection with military operations against hostile forces is awarded to:

Captain *Council J. Armstrong, Jr.*, , (then Staff Sergeant), Infantry, United States Army, for heroism from 28 March 1967 to 30 March 1967, while a member of the Command and Control Detachment, 5th Special

Forces Group (Airborne), Republic of Vietnam. This award is authorized under the provisions of paragraph 1-13, AR 672-5-1.

Captain *Hubert W. McMinn, Jr.*, , Armor, United States Army, for heroism on 6 August 1969 while a member of Troop D, 3d Squadron, 5th Cavalry, 9th Infantry Division, Republic of Vietnam. This award is authorized under the provisions of paragraph 1-13, AR 672-5-1.

3. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order 11046, 24 August 1962, a Bronze Star Medal (Third Oak Leaf Cluster) with "V" Device for heroism in connection with military operations against hostile forces is awarded to:

Captain *Daniel W. Bennett*, , Corps of Engineers, United States Army, for heroism on 23 November 1969, while a member of Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 5th Special Forces Group (Airborne), 1st Special Forces, Republic of Vietnam. This award is authorized under the provisions of paragraph 1-13, AR 672-5-1.

4. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order 11046, 24 August 1962, a Bronze Star Medal (Fourth Oak Leaf Cluster) with "V" Device for heroism in connection with military operations against hostile forces is awarded to:

Captain *Daniel W. Bennett*, , Corps of Engineers, United States Army, for heroism on 27 to 28 November 1969, while a member of Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 5th Special Forces Group (Airborne), 1st Special Forces, Republic of Vietnam. This award is authorized under the provisions of paragraph 1-13, AR 672-5-1.

**VIII. ARMY COMMENDATION MEDAL.** 1. By direction of the Secretary of the Army, under the provisions of paragraph 2-18, AR 672-5-1, the Army Commendation Medal with "V" Device for heroism is awarded to:

Captain *James H. Proctor, Jr.*, , Infantry, United States Army, for heroism on 1 June 1969, while serving as senior advisor to the 3d Battalion, 42d Regiment, 24th Special Tactical Zone, Republic of Vietnam. This award is authorized under the provisions of paragraph 1-13, AR 672-5-1.

2. By direction of the Secretary of the Army, under the provisions of paragraph 2-18, AR 672-5-1, the Army Commendation Medal for meritorious service is awarded to:

Colonel *Hanns Bauer*, , Army of the Federal Republic of Germany, March 1970 to September 1975.

Lieutenant Colonel *Goetz Bucher*, Army of the Federal Republic of Germany, August 1973 to September 1975.

Colonel *Lothar Hippler*, , Air Force of the Federal Republic of Germany, March 1972 to August 1975.

Sergeant First Class *Volker E. Kummrow*, , Air Force of the Federal Republic of Germany, September 1964 to August 1975.

Lieutenant Colonel *Erich H. Rauch*, , Army of the Federal Republic of Germany, October 1970 to April 1976.

**IX. 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 with "V" Device for heroism while participating in aerial flight is awarded by the Department of the Army to:

First Lieutenant *Raffaele A. Sassi*, , Armor, United States Army, for action on 12 October 1972, while a member of the 18th Aviation Company, Delta Regional Assistance Command, Republic of Vietnam.

**X--LEGION OF MERIT.** So much of paragraph 1, Section VII, General Orders Number 40, Headquarters, Department of the Army, dated 1970, as pertains to the award of the Legion of Merit (Degree of Officer) to Major General *John Groven*, Belgian Army, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service from November 1968 to January 1970, as reads (Degree of Officer) is amended to read "(Degree of Commander)".

**XI--DISTINGUISHED FLYING CROSS.** So much of paragraph 4, Section IV, General Orders Number 51, Headquarters, Department of the Army, dated 25 October 1974, as pertains to award of the Distinguished Flying Cross to Captain *William S. Reeder, Jr.*, Field Artillery, United States Army, for action on 9 May 1972, as reads: "Distinguished Flying Cross" is amended to read: "Distinguished Flying Cross (First Oak Leaf Cluster)".

**XII--UNITS ENTITLED TO BATTLE CREDITS.** War Department General Orders 103, 1945 pertaining to campaign participation credit for Northern France is amended to add: "Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 16th Port".

By Order of the Secretary of the Army:

**FRED C. WEYAND**  
General, United States Army  
Chief of Staff

Official:  
**PAUL T. SMITH**  
Major General, United States Army  
The Adjutant General

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