

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY  
HEADQUARTERS, 269TH COMBAT AVIATION BATTALION  
APO 96353  
"DISCIPLINED PROFESSIONALS"

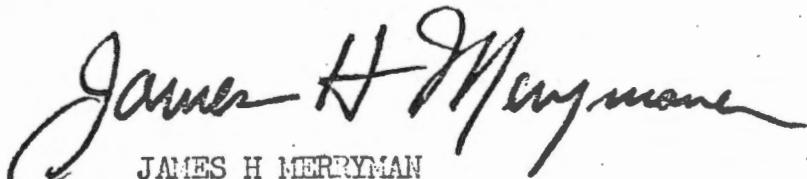
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3 January 1968

SUBJECT: Letter of Commendation

TO: Commanding Officer  
188th Assault Helicopter Company  
APO 96268

1. It gives me great pleasure to commend the officers and men of the 188th Assault Helicopter Company for the courage and dedication to duty demonstrated in support of the 3d Bde, 25th Infantry Division, during the pre-dawn hours of 2 January 1968. The professionalism demonstrated in supporting Fire Support Base Burt and evacuating wounded from the area in the face of constant and intense enemy fire has earned you sincere gratitude and placed you in the highest esteem of the ground commanders of the 25th Infantry Division. The success you achieved in executing this difficult and hazardous mission marks you as truly "Disciplined Professionals" of the Black Barons.
2. The commanding officer of 3d Bde, 25th Infantry Division, COL DAMES, has requested that I convey to you his personal commendation and gratitude for the superb manner in which you supported his forces. Your outstanding achievement is in keeping with the highest traditions of Army Aviation.



JAMES H MERRYMAN  
LTC, ARTY  
Commanding