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AWARD OF THE VALOROUS UNIT AWARD

TC 439. The following AWARD is announced.

By direction of the Secretary of the Army, under the provisions of Department 202.1g(2), AR 672-5-1, the Valorous Unit Award is awarded to the following named unit of the United States Army for extraordinary heroism while engaged in military operations during the period indicated:

COMPANY C (RANGER), 75TH INFANTRY (AIRBORNE)

The citation reads as follows:

COMPANY C (RANGER), 75TH INFANTRY (AIRBORNE) distinguished itself through extraordinary heroism while engaged in military operations from 23 July 1969 to 28 February 1970 in Binh Thuan, Lam Dong and Tuyen Duc Provinces, Republic of Vietnam. Operating under the control of Task Force South, I Field Force Vietnam, the officers and men of the company dauntlessly conducted a total of 1091 long range patrols deep within enemy territory. Demonstrating great courage and determination in the face of numerically superior forces, and personnel repeatedly gathered vital intelligence and interdicted supply and communication routes to disrupt hostile base areas. Through direct coordination and direction of B-52 and tactical air strikes, the members of COMPANY C (RANGER), 75TH INFANTRY (AIRBORNE) inflicted heavy losses upon the enemy in every area of responsibility. As a result of their gallant actions and professionalism, they contributed immeasurably to the Free World military effort in the Republic of Vietnam. The extraordinary heroism and devotion to duty displayed by the members of COMPANY C (RANGER), 75TH INFANTRY (AIRBORNE) are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service and reflect distinct credit upon themselves, their unit and the Armed Forces of the United States.

173D AIRBORNE BRIGADE

Troop Listing for Award of the Civil Actions Medal, First Class

Assigned Units:

1st Bn, 503d Inf:

HHC
Co A
Co B
Co C
Co D
Co E

2d Bn, 503d Inf:

HHC
Co A
Co B
Co C
Co D
Co E

3d Bn, 503d Inf:

HHC
Co A
Co B
Co C
Co D
Co E

4th Bn, 503d Inf

HHC
Co A
Co B
Co C
Co D
Co E

3d Bn, 319th Fld Arty:

H&S Btry
A Btry
B Btry
C Btry
D Btry

173d Spt Bn:

HHD
Co A
Co B
Co C
Co D

Troop Listing for 173d Airborne Brigade (Contd)

Special Troops Battalion:

HHC, Bde
173d Engr Co
534th Sig Co
E Trp, 17th Cav
24th Mil His Det
46th P I Det
51st Cal Det
172d M I Det
Co N (Ranger), 75th Inf

Attached Units:

Co C (Ranger), 75th Inf