

GENERAL ORDER
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REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM
RVNAF
IV CORPS TACTICAL ZONE
STAFF BUREAU
GEN ADJUTANT OFFICE

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MAJ GEN COMMANDER OF IV CORPS AND IV CTZ

In View Of:

- Directive A 10-b dated 15-8-1950 concerning the creation of "Gallantry Cross"
- Decree #74-b dated 15-8-1950 and subsequent publications determined present "Gallantry Cross" procedure.
- Memo #1472/TTL/VP/PCP/3 dated 21-5-1965 prescribed authorization awarding "Gallantry Cross".
- Memo #757/TTM/VP/PCP/3 dated 16-3-1966 determined the awards to foreigners.

CITATION BEFORE CORPS

EDWARD P. METZNER - LT COLONEL - 071842 - US ARMY

A brave and experienced Officer, as a Senior Advisor to Chuong Thien Sector, LTC Metzner had cooperated with Sector Commander to draw up many successful plans of pacification and 2d support operations. Particularly, in the operation Dan - Chi 324A/SD conducted by the 42nd DTA from 31 Jan to 42 Mar 1968 to pursue VC in the Division Tactical area. While the Sector's forces had heavy contact with a large VC unit LTC Metzner, disregarding danger moved to a high position to observe the battlefield and directed helicopter gunships to fire at enemy positions. They wiped out hundreds of the enemy and relieved enemy pressure on friendly troops who were busy to clear objective and brought in many weapons and equipment. The citation was read before Army Corps and awarded a Gallantry Cross with golden star.

APC 4885, dated 17 September
Maj Gen Nguyen Viet Thanh
Commander of IV Corps and IV CTZ

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APC 4885, dated 17 September
For LTC La Minh Dao
Chuong Thien Sector Commander
CPT Huynh Bau Son
Chief of Staff

APC 4885, dated 17 September 1968, for LTC La Minh Dao, Chuong Thien Sector Commander, CPT Huynh Bau Son, Chief of Staff.