

REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM
VINH BINH PROVINCE

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RECOMMENDATION
FOR THE PSYWAR MEDAL, 1ST CLASS

Full name of recommended personnel: EDWARD P. METZNER

Date & Place of Birth: 12 July 1925

Rank: LTC (Infantry)

Position: Senior Advisor, Vinh Binh Province

Assignment Agency: CORDS, Vinh Binh

Vietnamese Awards Received by LTC Metzner: PsyWar Medal, 2nd Class

C I T A T I O N

While assigned as Senior Advisor, Vinh Binh Province, Lieutenant Colonel Edward P. Metzner energetically supported the Open-Arms program, thus obtaining a plenty of fruitful results in the year of 1970 for the province.

In the aspect of propaganda, LTC Metzner assisted effectively in providing ground and air transportation for Armed Propaganda Units to drop a great quantity of leaflets in each local area, and on a permanent basis, in areas where Armed Propaganda Open-Arms Cadre were unable to access.

In the military area, Lieutenant Colonel Edward P. Metzner worked fervently in close coordination with the Republic of Vietnam Armed Forces and the Local Open-Arms Agency thereby the results of the exploitation of information collected by Open-Arms returnees were completely favorable.

Noteworthy was on 19 December 1970, due to the US logistical support and close cooperation made between RVNAF units and Open-Arms returnees, an NVA Engineer workshop was discovered in Tra Vinh province with the results listed below:

- 13 NVA killed.

- Weapons captured:

- 1 Machine Gun, BAR
- 1 Rifle, M1
- 1 Rifle, M2
- 1 Rifle, made in Russia
- 1 Rifle, K 50
- 1 Pistol, .45
- 3 Triggers, CKC
- 5 Triggers, M1 Rifle
- 15 Springs
- 15 Butts of M1 & M2 & Russian Rifles
- 1 Pair of Binoculars
- 1 Receiver/Transmitter
- 5 Barrels, M1 Rifle
- 2 Springs, Machine Gun, M. 60
- 2 Springs, M1 Rifle
- 26 Percussion Firing, M1 Rifle
- 50 Anti-tank mines
- 50 Mines, Box
- 30 Grenades, made in Vietnam
- 500 Explosive, TNT, Heads
- 100 Shells, 105mm, Heads (for making mines)

- Destroyed:

- 3 Barracks
- 1 Lathe, Red China, large size
- 1 Generator, Yanmar, 15 horse-power
- 3 Generators, made in Vietnam
- 1 Engine, boat
- 3 Batteries, 20 kilo
- 2 Drilling Machines, manual
- 50 Anti-tank mines
- 30 Grenades, made in Vietnam
- 50 Mines, box
- 100 Mines, fabricated by 105 mm shells
- 500 Heads, Explosive, TNT
- 10 big cans, fuel
- 5 big cans, gas
- 5 cans of grease (cow) and the whole electric wiring system and bulbs, 500 volts.

In view of the above contribution, LTC Edward P. Metzner is worthy of this award.

The Office of the Vinh Binh Province Chief highly recommends that LTC Edward P. Metzner be awarded the Psychological Warfare Medal, 1st Class.

Vinh Binh, 22 February 1971

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