

HEADQUARTERS  
UNITED STATES MILITARY ASSISTANCE COMMAND, VIETNAM  
APO San Francisco 96222

24 OCT 1968

MACAG-PD

SUBJECT: Authorization for Individual Foreign Award

LTC Edward P. Metzner, 071842

Alexandria, Virginia 22312

1. Under the provisions of AR 672-5-1, you are hereby authorized to accept and wear the Gallantry Cross with Gold Star which was presented to you by the Government of Vietnam.

2. This letter constitutes authorization to have the award entered on your personnel records. A copy of this letter has been forwarded to The Adjutant General, Department of the Army, and a copy has been

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a. Placed in your field personnel file.

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b. Inclosed for inclusion in your field personnel file.

3. The following award elements are inclosed:

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a. Official Decree or Order.

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b. English Translation.

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c. Certificate.

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d. Medal.

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e. Other:

4. Only the award elements indicated in paragraph 3, above, were provided to this headquarters. If you desire any additional award elements, you must obtain them from a civilian source.

FOR THE COMMANDER:

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Signed  
R. W. VINSTON  
CPT, USA  
Asst AG

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13 May 68

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GENERAL ORDER  
#0071/VACT/ADBT/CL

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

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/TTH/VP/PCP/3 dated 16-3-1966 determined the awards to foreigners.

CITATION BEFORE CORPS

~~EDWARD P. METZNER~~ - 1LT 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 Den - Chl 324A/SD conducted by the 42nd DTA from 9 Jan to 12 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.

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

Copy to:  
Office of MACV #73 VI Thanh  
for Notifying

APO 4885, dated 17 September  
Per LTC Le Minh Dao  
Chuong Thien Sector Commander  
CPT Nguyen Bui Sen  
Chief of Staff