



DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY  
OFFICE OF THE ADJUTANT GENERAL  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20315

IN REPLY REFER TO:  
AGEB-46 Metzner, Edward P.  
071 642 (27 Jul 66)

~~27 July 1966~~

SUBJECT: Vietnamese Awards

TO: Major Edward P. Metzner  
SGD - OCGSA  
Room 5A 918  
Pentagon

1. In accordance with recently enacted legislation, you are authorized to accept and wear the decoration(s) awarded you by the Government of the Republic of Vietnam.
2. In this connection, pertinent material is inclosed.
3. The provisions of paragraph 15 and Chapter 5, AR 672-5-1 are applicable.

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY:

WALTER L. HICKLE  
Adjutant General

- Incl  
1. Gallantry Cross w/Palm  
2. Vietnamese Document

CHIEF OF JOINT GENERAL STAFF,  
REPUBLIC OF VIET NAM ARMED FORCES

- Considering Edict Nr 10-b, dated 15 August 1950, creating the "GALLANTRY CROSS";

- Considering Decree Nr 74-b/QT, dated 15 August 1950, prescribing the procedures for awarding the "GALLANTRY CROSS";

- Considering Decree Nr 205/CT/LDQG/SL, dated 2 December 1965, prescribing the organizational system of the Ministry of Defense and the RVNAF;

A. MERITORIOUSLY CITES  
BEFORE THE ARMED FORCES

- ALBERT W. FRINK - Colonel - 022192 - U.S. ARMY.

"Serving as a Senior Advisor at III Corps Headquarters from 8 March 1965, Colonel FRINK always closely cooperated with Corps Headquarters and devotedly fulfilled his entrusted mission. Disregarding all danger, he willing went into enemy-held areas in order to make full use of his professional knowledge and experience in directing friendly forces in times of emergency.

During the "HUNG-VUONG 9" operation organized in War Zone D from 13 September to 26 September 1965, Colonel FRINK performed close liaison with the Operational Commander in directing United States and Vietnamese forces in attacks on vital objectives. As a result, heavy casualties and weapons losses were inflicted upon the enemy."

- ARTHUR A. STRANGE - Major - 01924076 - U.S. ARMY SPECIAL FORCES.  
(Formalized as of 29 July 1965)

"A courageous Officer who always exhibited a strong anti-Communist spirit and who participated in many Delta operations.

During the "THAN-PHONG" battle on 11 July 1965, Major STRANGE closely coordinated with the Delta Military Operations Headquarters and accurately directed air-strikes on enemy positions. As a result, heavy casualties and weapons losses were inflicted upon the enemy, and Major STRANGE contributed a praiseworthy share in the clearing of National Highway 19."

- THESE MERITORIOUS CITATIONS ARE TO INCLUDE THE GALLANTRY CROSS WITH PALM.

B. MERITORIOUSLY CITES  
BEFORE THE CORPS

- HAMPTON DEWS - Major - 078797 - U.S. ARMY.  
(Formalized as of 20 August 1965)

"A brilliant Senior Advisory Officer who always exhibited an enthusiastic spirit of devotion and who contributed much initiative towards the planning of anti-Communist operations.

During an attack by the NAM-CAN Subsector (AN-XUYEN) on a Viet-Cong base at coordinate VQ 948.717 on 14 August 1965, Major DEWS ably requested air support and supplies for friendly units. As a result, heavy personnel and weapons losses were inflicted upon the enemy."

- THIS MERITORIOUS CITATION IS TO INCLUDE THE GALLANTRY CROSS WITH GOLD STAR.

C. MERITORIOUSLY CITES  
BEFORE THE DIVISION

- LAWRENCE W. BAYER - Captain - 02299283 - U.S. ARMY.  
(Formalized as of 28 August 1965)

"A courageous Officer devoted towards his mission who enthusiastically participated in territorial pacification operations.

On 23 March 1965, Captain BAYER joined forces with the 1st Battalion, 43rd Regiment, to pursue the enemy and to break the blockade at THO-LAM New Life Hamlet which had been surrounded by Viet-Cong. As a result, friendly forces captured 25 weapons. During a clash with the enemy on 21 July 1965 at SUOI-CAT New Life Hamlet, Captain BAYER timely and effectively requested Air Force support. As a result, heavy personnel and weapons losses were inflicted upon the enemy."

- CARL V. VAN BIBBER - Captain - 05308372 - U.S. ARMY.  
(Formalized as of 12 May 1965)

"An Officer possessing broad battlefield experience who exhibited much devotion towards his entrusted mission.

During the "TIEN-GIANG 19/65" operation at THANH-PHU District, KIEN-HOA Province, from 28 April 1965 to 5 May 1965, Captain VAN BIBBER disregarded all danger and advanced under a rain of enemy fire to encourage the Battalion to fight and to annihilate the enemy. As a result, heavy personnel and weapons losses were inflicted upon the Viet-Cong."

- HAROLD H. BRANDT - Captain - 092279 - U.S. ARMY.  
(Formalized as of 28 August 1965)

"A courageous Advisory Officer possessing a noble spirit of devotion.

During the "QUYET-THANG" week organized from 25 March 1965 to 31 March 1965, Captain BRANDT participated continuously in many military operations in the HOA-LONG area, PHUOC-TUY Sector, 33rd Tactical Zone, and closely coordinated with the Sector Military Operations Command in maneuvering Regional and Popular Forces in attacks against the enemy. As a result, 3 Viet-Cong were killed, and 2 others captured. Friendly forces, also, captured 1 carbine, 2 grenades, and destroyed 2 underground hide-outs."

- THOMAS W. BROGAN - Major - 068920 - U.S. ARMY.  
(Formalized as of 11 July 1965)

"A Field Grade Officer possessing much good will who enthusiastically participated in anti-Communist operations.

During the "HUNG-VUONG 6" operation from 27 March 1965 to 29 March 1965 at SUOI-DAY (TAY-NINH), Major BROGAN assisted in providing full logistical support, as well as in performing close liaison with air support units. As a result, heavy losses were inflicted upon the enemy."

- ANDREW L. COOLEY - Captain - 075166 - U.S. ARMY.  
(Formalized as of 8 July 1965)

"An Advisory Officer devoted towards his mission who always exhibited a spirit of close cooperation.

During heliborne surprise attacks on Viet-Cong hideouts on 22 and 27 April 1965 in the TAN-LONG, AN-LOI, and BINH-DUONG areas, Captain COOLEY accompanied Vietnamese combatants in annihilating 2 Viet-Cong Platoons and capturing 5 individual weapons along with a great quantity of ammunition and important documents."

- ROBERT W. HAUBRICH - 1st Lieutenant - 05517460 - U.S. ARMY.  
(Formalized as of 18 October 1965)

"Throughout the period from 2 May 1965 to 31 October 1965, 1st Lieutenant HAUBRICH devotedly served and ably assisted the 2nd Armored Personnel Carrier Troop of the 2nd Armored Cavalry Squadron in technical and tactical aspects and participated in all the unit's operations. In this manner, he contributed a praiseworthy part towards the victories achieved."

- GARY R. HOGGENHOUS - Captain - 02306464 - U.S. ARMY.  
(Formalized as of 8 July 1965)

"An Advisory Officer devoted towards his mission who always accompanied Vietnamese combatants on vital operations."

Serving as an Advisor to S5 BINH-DUONG Sector, Captain HOGGENHOUS disregarded all danger in order to complete his broadcast missions and to drop leaflets over Viet-Cong zones, thus assisting the Sector achieve favorable results."

- WILLIAM H. KINARD III - 1st Lieutenant - 096012 - U.S. ARMY.  
(Formalized as of 30 July 1965)

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During the period of 1st Lieutenant KINARD's service in Viet Nam from 3 November 1964 to 21 July (?) 1965, he enthusiastically worked in all tasks and participated in military operations organized by PHUOC-TUY, BIEN-HOA, and LONG-KHANH Sectors. As a result, many favorable results were achieved."

- WILLIAM J. LYONS - 1st Lieutenant - 095610 - U.S. ARMY.  
(Formalized as of 12 May 1965)

"A courageous Officer who always exhibited a spirit of devotion towards his entrusted mission."

During the "TIEN-GIANG 19/65" operation at THANH-PHU District, KIEN-HOA, from 28 April 1965 to 5 May 1965, 1st Lieutenant LYONS disregarded all danger and accompanied friendly units in gallant combat against the enemy. As a result, heavy personnel and casualty losses were inflicted upon the Viet-Cong."

- EDWARD P. METZNER - Major - 071842 - U.S. ARMY.  
(Formalized as of 12 May 1965)

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During the "TIEN-GIANG 19/65" operation at THANH-PHU District, KIEN-HOA Province, from 28 April 1965 to 5 May 1965, Major METZNER contributed much initiative towards psywar support projects throughout the operation and disregarded all danger to ably work and provide support and evacuation. In this manner, he contributed a praiseworthy part towards the glorious victory achieved by the 7th Infantry Division."

- CHARLES A. SCHUH - Captain - 072222 - U.S. ARMY.  
(Formalized as of 26 September 1965)

"An outstanding Officer possessing broad battlefield experience who contributed an effective part in the "QUYET-THANG 143, 146, 148" operations and the pacification of northern BONG-SON. In this manner, he assisted the 41st Regiment achieve many excellent results."

During an anti-Communist operation on 6 August 1965 in northern BONG-SON, Captain SCHUH assisted unit commanders in a successful assault upon the enemy's position. As a result, 15 Viet-Cong were killed, and 5 individual weapons were captured."

- THESE MERITORIOUS CITATIONS ARE TO INCLUDE THE GALLANTRY CROSS WITH SILVER STAR.

D. MERITORIOUSLY CITES  
BEFORE THE REGIMENT

- RAYMOND E. BUCKS - SFC - RA. 35971292 - U.S. ARMY.  
(Formalized as of 12 May 1965)

"A resourceful NCO possessing broad battlefield experience.

During the "TIEN-GIANG 19/65" operation at THANH-PHU District, KIEN-HOA Province, from 28 April 1965 to 5 May 1965, SFC RAYMOND E. BUCKS contributed much initiative towards the maneuvering of friendly forces, and he perfectly executed his entrusted mission. In this manner, SFC BUCKS contributed a praiseworthy part towards the glorious victories achieved by the 7th Infantry Division."

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APD 4,002, 26 March 1966

Lieutenant General CAO VAN VIEN  
Chief of Joint General Staff,  
Republic of Viet Nam Armed Forces

/ Signed and Sealed /

I certify that this is a true translation

*George W. Reiger*

GEORGE W. REIGER  
ENSIGN USNR  
Chief, MACAG Translation Division

\* EDWARD I. METZLER - LT. Colonel - 219.14.200 - Thiếu tá.

"Si-quan cấp Ta dung cam, hàng say hoạt-dong và sự trung can trường qua các cuộc hành quân diệt địch. Trong chức-vu Sĩ-vân Tru c Tiểu-khu Kiên-Giang, Trung-Ta METZLER đã tiến lữ nhiều sang kiến và tham-tam, chiến-tru c và phối kiem tin-tuc tình-bao cho Tiểu-khu Kiên-Giang, đặc biệt là chất-chế các đơn-vi đồng-minh hỗ-trợ đồn trú lãnh thổ hương-tu. Đặc biệt trong cuộc hành quân OL/KG/75 ngày 15-5 đến 10-6-1970, Tiểu-quan bang Cadiz: nhân pha huy các mặt khi Ông-San Bắc-Việt, Sĩ-quan đương-su luôn luôn có mặt nêu gương anh hùng hỗ trợ các lực pho Tiểu-khu Kiên-Giang cho-lập thành qu: tăng k, hạ 30 Ông-San Bắc-Việt, bắt sống 4 tên, thu 1 cối-lựu và 14 vũ-khí cá-nhân".

\* THOMAS N. BAXLEY - Major - 446.30.0795 - Thiếu tá.

"Si-quan cấp-dinh dung cam, có thành tích chiến-sau bao và hàng say hoạt-dong. Trong chức-vu Sĩ-vân Trưởng Chi-khu Châu-Thanh/Hà-Lạng, Thiếu-Ta BAXLEY đã phối hợp chặt-chẽ với Chi-khu Trưởng tổ-chức nhiều cuộc hành-quân cũng như đợt kích gây thiệt hại nặng nề về nhân-sang cũng như vũ-khí cho Ông-San Xâm-lược. Đặc biệt trong cuộc phục kích đợt 2-3-1970 chặn sung mạnh liệt với 1 Trung-đội Ông-San xâm lược tại XS.108.202 Sĩ-quan hướng-su đã gọi trực thăng và hướng dân xa kích ngay mục tiêu địch. Hạ sát 4 Ông-San tại chỗ, thu 1 B.40, 1 Tiểu-liên M.3 và nhiều đạn dược. Sĩ-quan đương-su cũng đã tham dự cuộc hành quân PH/CT/108 ngày 7-4-1970 tại khu vực XS.085217, 109.227, 126.215, 094.204 tham chiến tại XS.107.217. Trong các đợt chiến-tru c, Thiếu-Ta BAXLEY đã anh hùng chiến-dau và tu tay hạ sát 02 Ông-San cấp công vào chiến-thông chung: hạ sát 6 Ông-quân, thu 1 M.16, 1 cối-lựu, 7 quả lựu-đạn cũng nhiều quân-dung".

CÁC BÀN TUYẾN-DUONG CÔNG-TRANG TRƯỚC SỰ ĐOÀN KẾT CỦA THEO  
SỰ THƯƠNG ANH-DUNG ĐOÀN-KINH VỚI ĐOÀN-KINH

K.B.C. 34.02, ngày 18 tháng 2 năm 1970

NOI NHAN

Thiếu-tá Hà Lữ-Việt

Q.Tu-Lệnh Quân-Đoàn 179 Quân-khu IV

- TL/Qu-Đoàn 21 3B/P.TQT (2 bản)
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- LCH/Qu-Đoàn 1 3B/P.TQT (3 -)
- BCH/Qu-Đoàn 12 3B/P.TQT (3 -)
- LCH/TL 3B/P.TQT (3 -)

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- TL/Qu-Đoàn 25 3B/P.TQT (1 -)

- TL/Qu-Đoàn 26 3B/P.TQT (1 -)

- TL/Qu-Đoàn 27 3B/P.TQT (1 -)

- TL/Qu-Đoàn 28 3B/P.TQT (1 -)

- TL/Qu-Đoàn 29 3B/P.TQT (1 -)

- TL/Qu-Đoàn 30 3B/P.TQT (1 -)

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Republic of Viet Nam  
Ministry of Defense

Order No. 30/TTM/CL

Office of  
The Chief of Staff

The Chief of Staff of the Armed Forces of  
the Republic of Viet Nam,

— by Decree No. 106 of Aug. 15, 1950  
creating the "Binh Dũng Bôi Tinh" medal for gallantry

— by Decree No. 746/QT of Aug 15, 1950  
on the conditions and procedures for awarding the  
"Binh Dũng Bôi Tinh" medal.

— by Order NT. 205/CT/LĐQG/SL of  
Dec. 2, 1965 on the organization of the Ministry of  
Defense and the Armed Forces,

hereby proclaims before

A/ the Armed Forces

B/ the Corps and

C/ the Division

the award of the following citation to:

Edward P. Metzner, Major, 071842, US Army

(which was formalized as of May 12, 1965).

"

A courageous officer, devoted to his duty".

In Operation "Tiên Giang 19/65" at Thanh Phä  
District, Kien-Hoa Province from April 28 to  
May 5, 1965, Major Metzner contributed many  
innovations in the Paywan support throughout the  
duration of the operation, and in spite of great  
dangers, brought effective assistance in support  
operations and evacuation of the wounded, thus  
making a major contribution to the success



of the 7<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division operation."

This citation is awarded with the inclusion  
of the Gallantry Medal with Silver Star.

D/ This citation is proclaimed before  
the Regiment.

KBC 4.002, March 26, 1966

Lt. Gen. Cao Van Vien

Chief of Staff - Armed Forces,  
Republic of Viet Nam.

(Signature and Seal)

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Republic of Viet Nam  
Ministry of Defense

Office of the Chief of Staff  
Armed Forces of  
Viet Nam

The Chief of Staff of the  
Armed Forces,

- By Decree NZ. 221-DQT/HG of Jan. 6, 1953  
and the ensuing documents concerning the  
award of the "Danh Du Bai Tinh" medal of Honor.

- By Order No. 205/CT/LDQG/SL of Dec. 12, 1965  
on the organization of the Ministry of Defense and  
the Armed Forces,

Hereby

1. Awards the Medal of Honor, First class, to:

Edward P. Metzner, Major, 071842, US Army  
(this was formalized as of Oct. 25, 1965)

«

An officer devoted to duty, and with rich  
technical experience.

Throughout the period of his duty with the 7th  
Infantry Division and the Tien Giang Tactical Zone,  
from Sept. 20, 1964 to Oct. 12, 1965, Major Metzner  
provided effective assistance to the Division's  
Bureau of Psychological Warfare in all its activities.  
Major Metzner always participated in all the  
operations conducted in the Tactical Zone, carried  
out many missions of broadcasting from the air  
and leaflet-dropping, and played a significant  
role in the victories of the Division. »

2. The Office of the Chief of Staff of the Armed Forces of the Republic of Vietnam is charged with carrying out this order.

KBC 4.002, June 8, 1966

Lt. Gen. Cao Van Vien

Chief of Staff  
(Signature and Seal)