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Mr. Michael Lemish
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Dear Mr. Lemish:

This is in reply to your letter of January 13, 1995, requesting copies of material concerning the deployment and inactivation of the 55th Infantry Platoon (Scout Dog).

Enclosed is a copy of the History Card (AGAO Form 016) for the platoon. As shown on the card, the unit was scheduled for deployment to Vietnam shortly after its activation on November 10, 1969, at Fort Benning, Georgia. Subsequently, its deployment destination was changed to Korea, and finally the platoon was removed from deployment status and inactivated at Fort Benning on February 9, 1970. No other material concerning the deployment or inactivation of the unit is available at this office.

Sincerely,

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Enclosure

Is REORGANIZED as (Abn/Davy Crockett) under TOE 7-19T, 1967 - AUTHORIZED STRENGTH, 4 OFF, 54 ENL - PRIORITY STATUS C1 (2.090), effective 27 Nov 1967 - GO 356, Third US Army, 21 Nov 1967 (FOUO) as AMENDED - GO 360, Third US Army, 27 Nov 1967 (FOUO). CONFIRMED - LEVEL 1 - AGSD-C (M) (8 Dec 67) ACSFOR, 27 Dec 1967 (FOUO).

Will be REORGANIZED under MTOE 7-19TV01, VOO168 - LEVEL 1 - AUTHORIZED STRENGTH, 4 OFF, 54 ENL - Effective 1 May 1968 - AGSD-C (M) (14 May 68) ACSFOR, 27 May 1968.

55th Infantry Platoon (DAVY CROCKETT) will be INACTIVATED at Ft Bragg, N. C. - DA 873872, 26 Jul 1968. Effective 25 Aug 1968 - GO 250, Third US Army, 6 Aug 1968. CONFIRMED - AGSD-C (M) (26 Aug 68) ACSFOR, 12 Sep 1968. (STRAF NO. 5, FY 68).

55th Infantry Platoon will be ACTIVATED at Ft Benning, Ga as (Scout Dog) under MTOE 7-167GPO3 - P10068, effective in Nov 1969 - AUTHORIZED STRENGTH, 28 - PROJECT CODE, WRO - DA 911835, 9 Jun 1969 (Actv/WO). MTOE 7-167GPO3, as annotated, is approved 12 Jun 1969, with an effective date of 25 Nov 1969 for ACTIVATION of 55th Infantry Platoon - AGSD-C (17 Jun 69) ACSFOR, 23 Jun 1969 (USARPAC No. 8, FY 70) - AMENDED - AGSD-C (22 Jul 69), 22 Jul 1969. AMENDMENT RESCINDED - AMENDED as 55th Infantry Platoon - AGSD-C (29 Jul 69), 29 Jul 1969. Will be ACTIVATED, effective 25 Nov 1969, under MTOE 7-167GPO3 - P10068 - LEVEL 1 - AUTHORIZED STRENGTH, 1 OFF, 27 ENL - AGSD-C (M) (7 Jul 69) ACSFOR, 23 Jul 1969 (USARPAC No. 8, FY 69). ACTIVATED, effective 10 Nov 1969 - GO 220, Third US Army, 22 Aug 1969. AMENDED - Priority D1/2.18) - GO 372, Third USA, 5 Dec 69.

55th Infantry Platoon will TRANSFER on Permanent Change of Station from Ft Benning, Ga to Army Terminal enroute to US Army, Vietnam - DA OUT 933595, 5 Dec 1969 (Adv MD 69-92). DA OUT 933783, 9 Dec 1969 (Final MD 69-94). LO No. 4997, US Army Infantry Center, 9 Dec 1969 (PCS). DA OUT 933595, 5 Dec 1969 (Adv MD69-92 is AMENDED to CHANGE DEPLOYMENT DESTINATION of 55th Infantry Platoon (Scout Dog) from Vietnam to Korea - 55th Infantry Platoon is REMOVED from DEPLOYMENT STATUS - DA OUT 936467, 6 Jan 1970. LO No. 4997, dated 9 Dec 1969 is RESCINDED - LO No. 427, US Army Infantry Center, 3 Feb 1970.

55th Infantry Platoon will be INACTIVATED - DA OUT 938593, 23 Jan 1970. 55th Infantry Platoon is INACTIVATED, effective 9 Feb 1970 - GO 24, Third US Army, 3 Feb 1970.

55th Infantry Counterfire Platoon is constituted, allotted to the Regular Army, assigned to Third Army, and will be activated at Ft. Benning, Ga., and organized in accordance with T/O&E 7-12N, 21 Apr 48, w/c 2 & 3 (Para 8 & 9, Colm 7, C 3), with an authorized strength of 1-Off, 20-EM. - per AGAO-I 322 Gen Res (12 Feb 51) G1-N, 27 February 1951. Effective 5 April 1951, and attached to the 1st Student Brigade - per GO 40, Hq The Infantry Center, 30 March 1951.

55th Infantry Counterfire Plat will transfer from Ft. Benning, Ga., to Camp Stoneman, Calif. (Staging) for further movement to Pusan, Korea, through the San Francisco Port of Embarkation on a Permanent change of station, under Shipment No. 9568-D, and is assigned to Far East Command upon arrival. - per Radio, DA 91205 (May 51). 14 May 1951. Amended - per Radio DA 91870 (May 51), 21 May 1951. Advance Detachment will arrive San Francisco, Calif., 29 June 1951. Unit will depart Ft. Benning Ga. 1 July 1951 and will arrive Camp Stoneman, Calif. 2 July 1951 - per Radio DA IN 8683 (27 Jun 51) from CG, The Infantry Center, 27 June 1951. Unit departed Ft. Benning, Ga. 1 July 1951 - per Radio DA IN 10110 (1 Jul 51) from CG, The Infantry Center, 1 July 1951. Unit departed San Francisco Port of Embarkation/8 July 1951 - per Radio DA IN 13179 (10 Jul 51), from CG San Francisco Port of Embarkation, 10 July 1951. Det, 55th Infantry Counterfire Platoon is diverted 12 July 1951 from a water to an air shipment through the PAE, Travis AFB, Calif., pursuant to SO #135, Ft. Benning, Ga. - per Reoap of Passengers Report #32, 18 July 1951. Unit arrived Yokohama, Japan 19 July 1951 - per Radio DA IN 17693 (23 Jul 51), from CINC Far East, 23 July 1951.

55th Infantry Counterfire Platoon is assigned to Eighth Army and attached to Japan Logistical Command, effective upon arrival in Far East Command - per Radio DA IN 14911 (16 Jul 51), from CINC Far East, 16 July 1951.

55th Infantry Counterfire Platoon is further attached to Hq, Central Command, with station at (Camp Zama) Zama, Honshu, Japan, effective upon arrival in Japan - per GO #258, Hq, Japan Logistical Command, 16 July 1951.

55th Infantry Counterfire Platoon having arrived in Korea, assigned to Eighth Army is attached to 3d Infantry Division, effective 18 August 1951 - per GO #662, Hq, Eighth United States Army Korea, 22 August 1951.

55th Infantry Counterfire Platoon will transfer from (Camp Zama) Zama, Honshu, Japan to Pusan, Korea (ROKD) on a Permanent change of station and effective upon arrival is relieved from attachment to Headquarters, Central Command, advance detachment is authorized, - per JL 370.5 GC-TC, MO#129, Hq, Japan Logistical Command, 18 July 1951. RESCINDED by Ltr, same Headquarters, 6 August 1951.

55th Infantry Counterfire Platoon will transfer from (Camp Zama) Zama, Honshu, Japan to Inchon, Korea (ROKD) on a Permanent change of station and effective upon arrival is relieved from attachment to Headquarters, Central Command, advance detachment is authorized - per JL 370.5 GC-TC, MO #132, Hq, Logistical Command, 6 August 1951. Effective 12 August 1951 - per GO #283, Hq, Japan Logistical Command, 23 August 1951. Also see; GO #309, Hq Japan Logistical Command, 2 October 1951.

55th Infantry Counterfire Platoon will be inactivated - per AGAO-I 322 (18 Sep 51) G1-M, 27 September 1951. Effective 28 October 1951 - per GO #791, Hq, Eighth United States Army Korea, 21 October 1951.

55th Infantry Counterfire Platoon is REDESIGNATED 55th Infantry Platoon, effective 25 Mar 1967, ASSIGNED to Third US Army and will be ACTIVATED at Ft Campbell, Ky as (Davy Crockett) under TOE 7-19T, 1967 - AUTHORIZED STRENGTH, 4 OFF, 54 ENL - PRIORITY STATUS C1 (2.20) - DA 802171, 18 Feb 1967 (C). AGSD-C (M) (28 Apr 67) ACSFOR, 12 Jun 1967 (FOUO) ^{1/23}. Effective 25 Mar 1967 - GO 102, Third US Army, 24 Mar 1967 (FOUO). as AMENDED - GO 202, Third US Army, 27 Jun 1967. (19 2001)

PRIORITY STATUS of 55th Infantry Platoon is CHANGED from C1 (2.20) to C1 (2.030), effective 18 Sep 1967 - GO 283, Third US Army, 18 Sep 1967 (FOUO). (DA 831278, 14 Sep 1967). CONFIRMED - AGSD-C (M) (2 Oct 67) ACSFOR, 9 Oct 1967 (FOUO). 37611 25

55th Infantry Platoon will TRANSFER on Permanent Change of Station from Ft Campbell, Ky to Ft Bragg, N. C. - MOVEMENT DATE, on or about 13 Nov 1967 - MOVEMENT STRENGTH, 1 OFF, 27 ENL - Remains ASSIGNED to Third US Army - DA 837100, 19 Oct 1967 (FOUO) (MD 67-50). Effective 13 Nov 1967 - GO 326, Third US Army, 26 Oct 1967. as AMENDED - Effective 27 Nov 1967 - GO 340, Third US Army, 13 Nov 1967. DEPARTED and ARRIVED 5 Dec 1967 - DA IN 469324, XVIII Airborne Corps and Ft Bragg, 7 Dec 1967.

