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Dear Jim,

Inclosed are two items I thought you would like to have. The article by MAJ Ben Crosby first appeared in *Infantry Magazine* and was later included in "A Distant Challenge". The Cacti lineage is from the 1986 book, *Infantry Regiments of the US Army*, edited by Kenneth S. Gallager & Robert L. Pigeon.

To help with your efforts to gather photos for use in the book concerning 3rd Brigade Task Force, I will be sending you some official photographs, many with captions and photo credits, for you to scan and return. There are in excess of fifth photos, a few 8 X 10s, but mostly 5 X 7s. As 2/35th S-1 I knew the 3rd Brigade photographer. One day at Brigade Headquarters I found him in the process of discarding excess photos. There were many duplicates. He gladly gave them to me rather than throw them away. When I returned to 2nd Battalion Headquarters and separated the photos, I put together one complete set for 2Bn/35th historical archives (actually two footlockers) which remain with the Battalion. What I kept was the extra duplicates.

Jim, I'll send these photos to you in a few days.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Chuck".

Chuck