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DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY  
HEADQUARTERS 1ST CAVALRY DIVISION (AIRMOBILE)  
APO San Francisco 96490

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AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR

1. TC 439. The following AWARD is announced.

~~KUYKENDALL, JOSEPH L.~~ CAPTAIN INFANTRY United States Army  
Company C, 2d Battalion (Airmobile), 5th Cavalry

Awarded: Silver Star

Date of Action: 4 November 1969

Theater: Republic of Vietnam

Authority: By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress, approved 9 July 1918.

Reason: For gallantry in action while engaged in military operations involving conflict with an armed hostile force in the Republic of Vietnam. When Fire Support Base Ike was taken under intense fire from enemy rocket, mortar and rifle units supporting a ground assault by a reenforced battalion size enemy force, Captain Kuykendall controlled and maintained security for the entire perimeter of the base. He continually moved about in the contact area, exposing himself to the enemy fire while directing and inspiring his men. Coordinating his men with supporting fire, Captain Kuykendall was instrumental in turning back the enemy attack and providing for quick and orderly evacuation of all the casualties. His display of personal bravery and devotion to duty is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service, and reflects great credit upon himself, his unit, and the United States Army.

FOR THE COMMANDER:

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