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MEMORANDUM FOR: WO1 Marvin D. McPherson USAR [REDACTED]
FROM: Chief, Pacification Security Coordination Group, Binh Dinh
SUBJECT: Letter of Commendation

1. During the period 10 September 1972 - 28 January 1973, WO1 Marvin D. MCPHERSON, [REDACTED] while serving as a Light Observation Helicopter pilot in H Troop (Air), 10th Armored Cavalry, positively contributed to the successful accomplishments obtained during the insertion and exfiltration of Vietnamese Long Range Reconnaissance Patrols into areas of Binh Dinh, Binh Thuan and Khanh Hoa Provinces, Military Region-2, that were under the control of military forces of the Viet Cong and/or the North Vietnamese Army.
2. In many instances WO1 MCPHERSON was instrumental in enabling these missions to be successfully completed. On several occasions WO1 MCPHERSON, using innovative and imaginative thinking, tempered by fine judgement and experience, located individual members of the Long Range Reconnaissance Patrol teams who had been separated from their comrades due to engagement with hostile forces and assured their safe recovery and return to friendly controlled territory.
3. WO1 MCPHERSON's professional flying abilities and his manifest leadership capabilities vitally contributed to the overall success of our mission during the period stated. His performance of duty was in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Army and reflects great credit upon himself and the military service.
4. A copy of this letter of commendation is attached for inclusion in WO1 MCPHERSON's official military records.


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