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DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
HEADQUARTERS, 307th COMBAT AVIATION (PHANTOM) BATTALION
APO SAN FRANCISCO 96215

20 January 1969

SUBJECT: Recommendation for Award of the Meritorious Unit Commendation

THRU: Commanding Officer, 164th Combat Aviation Group,
APO San Francisco 96215
Commanding General, 1st Aviation Brigade,
APO San Francisco 96384

TO: Commanding General, USARV, ATTN: AVHAG-PD,
APO San Francisco 96307

1. The 271st Aviation Company (Medium Helicopter), APO San Francisco 96215, and the 361st Transportation Detachment (DS), APO San Francisco 96215, are recommended for the Meritorious Unit Commendation for support of the Republic of Vietnam's entire IV Corps Tactical Zone during the period 1 March 1968 through 19 November 1968.
2. The 271st Aviation Company and the 361st Transportation Detachment are being cited for their role as the exclusive medium helicopter unit in support of the entire IV Corps Tactical Zone. They have constantly performed a greater variety of missions (see Incl 1, Annexes B-I) over a larger geographical area than any other medium helicopter unit in the Republic of Vietnam. (see Incl 1 Annex J, Incl 5). These missions have not only been in support of the Armed Forces of Vietnam, but also in support of the United States Army, Navy, and Air Force, (Incl 1, Annexes A,D,E). This wide variety of missions include those of artillery insertions and extractions, troop combat assaults, all types of resupply, aircraft recoveries, and CS agent and napalm dispensing, (Incl 1 Annexes B-G). All of the challenges presented by this wide variety of missions have been consistently met with dedicated professionalism, and the very highest morale and esprit de corps, (Incl 2). In view of these extraordinary accomplishments, the 271st Aviation Company and the 361st Transportation Detachment, have proven themselves to be an invaluable asset to the counterinsurgency efforts in the IV Corps Tactical Zone, and are deserving of special recognition.

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- 1-Tasks Performed
- 2-Statistical Summary
- 3-Listing of Units
- 4-CH47 Support to Corps Areas
- 5-Proposed Citation

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