



UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS
HEADQUARTERS, FLEET MARINE FORCE, PACIFIC
FPO, SAN FRANCISCO 96601

In the name of the President of the United States, the Commanding General, Fleet Marine Force, Pacific takes pleasure in awarding the Gold Star in lieu of a seventh AIR MEDAL to

FIRST LIEUTENANT ALLEN EDWARD CATES

UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS RESERVE

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For meritorious achievement in aerial flight as a designated Helicopter Pilot in Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron THREE HUNDRED SIXTY-FIVE during combat support missions in support of the Republic of Vietnam against the insurgent communist guerrilla forces (Viet Cong) from 7 February 1965 to 15 February 1965. First Lieutenant CATES contributed materially to the success of his squadron. His courage and devotion to duty in the face of hazardous flying conditions were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

FOR THE PRESIDENT

V. H. KRULAK
LIEUTENANT GENERAL, U. S. MARINE CORPS
COMMANDING

TEMPORARY CITATION