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SUBJECT: Status of Attached Transportation Detachments

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TO: Commanding General  
101st Airborne Division (AMEL)  
ATTN: AVDC-GC  
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1. Request clarification of the status of the 327th, 625th, and 649th Transportation Detachments (Aircraft Medium Helicopter Maintenance) (AMH) attached to C, A and B Companies, respectively, of this battalion.
2. These Detachments were deleted, and their mission, equipment, and personnel assigned to the associated letter companies, by a MTOE submitted late in 1970. This MTOE has been approved at Division and USARV levels. Approval by higher headquarters is pending.
3. At present, personnel are being requisitioned and assigned under the MTOE. Property accounting and supply functions are still being carried on under the separate unit designations because no general order, authorizing the deactivation of these transportation detachments, has been received.
4. At some point in time, each Transportation Detachment will arrive at zero strength in personnel. If, at that time, a general order deactivating the detachment has not been received, there will be no one to exercise direct responsibility for the unit property as required by AR 735-5.

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5. The problems likely to occur if the required General Orders are not received in the near future can be avoided if some other authority for transferring the unit property can be established. Alternately, authority to retain an assigned detachment commander, and thus provide for the necessary supervision, would assure proper transfer of the property on deactivation.

6. I request your assistance in clarifying this matter.

FOR THE COMMANDER:

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Executive Officer