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SIGNAL CORPS ENGINEERING LABORATORIES FIELD STATION—Established. Section I
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I. SIGNAL CORPS ENGINEERING LABORATORIES FIELD STATION.—
Effective 15 December 1951, the Signal Corps Engineering Laboratories Field Station No. 4, Washington, D. C., is established as a class II activity under the jurisdiction of the Chief Signal Officer. *Amended by AGO 31, 1952*

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II. MERITORIOUS UNIT COMMENDATION.—By direction of the Secretary of the Army, under AR 260-15, the Meritorious Unit Commendation is awarded to the following units for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service during the periods indicated. The citations read as follows:

1. The *Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Sixth United States Army* is cited for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service in support of combat operations during the period 17 October 1944 to 30 June 1945 in the Philippine Islands. During this period, the Sixth Army was responsible for conducting two major amphibious landings and subsequent ground operations, which resulted in the destruction of a major part of the Japanese forces on Leyte and Luzon. The forward echelon of the Army Headquarters left Hollandia, Dutch New Guinea, on 13 October 1944, with the assault forces for the landing on Leyte arriving in Leyte Gulf on 20 October. The command post was established ashore initially at San José, Leyte, on 24 October. Thereafter, it was displaced successively to Tanauan, Leyte, and Tolosa, Leyte, and then reembarked to accompany the Luzon Attack Force. On Luzon, the command post was established initially at Bonuan, Gueset, later moving to Calasiao, Gerona, and then to San Fernando, Pampagna. During the entire course of the Philippine campaign, the *Headquarters and Headquarters Company* personnel operated with outstanding skill and efficiency despite the constant threat of enemy air attack and infiltration by ground forces. The professional ability, foresight, and devotion to duty of the individual members of the Army Staff and their never-failing teamwork won the respect and admiration of all with whom they dealt and was instrumental in bringing the operations to a successful conclusion with a minimum loss of lives and equipment by our forces. The outstanding performance of duty of *Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Sixth United States Army*, reflects great credit on itself and the military service of the United States.

2. The *Headquarters Company, 7th Infantry Division*, is cited for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service in support of combat operations in Korea during the period 1 February to 31 July 1951. During this period, in order to render maximum effective supply and administrative support to the division, this company actively participated in Operation Killer and subsequent combat operations of the division. *Headquarters Company* furnished security guards for the protection of all division command posts in a commendable and outstanding manner. These posts were set up following rapid and frequent tactical displacements over rough terrain, working under extremely adverse weather conditions and operating in proximity of hostile guerrilla bands.

Through the untiring efforts of the personnel of *Headquarters Company*, a continuous and adequate flow of vitally needed supplies were transported to the division headquarters, which was accomplished only by the perseverance of drivers making these trips over roads that were at times considered to be impassable. By the ingenuity, vigor, and foresight of the men of *Headquarters Company*, vehicles were kept in a state of constant readiness, capable of meeting all situations. Despite limited mess facilities, *Headquarters Company* maintained and operated messes which were feeding 1,600 to 1,800 persons a day, many times the number that the limited mess facilities of the company were designed to accommodate. *Headquarters Company* also maintained and operated the division's light aviation section, which performed liaison, reconnaissance, and evacuation missions and which contributed greatly to the combat successes of the division. *Headquarters Company, 7th Infantry Division*, displayed such outstanding devotion to duty and performed its exceptionally difficult tasks in such a superior manner as to set it apart from and above other units with similar missions. The skill, effectiveness, and determination with which the members of this company performed their tasks reflect great credit on themselves and the military service of the United States. (*General Orders 701, Headquarters, Eighth United States Army, Korea, 18 September 1951.*)

3. *The 1502d Engineer Dump Truck Company (Republic of Korea Army)* is cited for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service in support of combat operations in Korea during the period 17 February to 17 August 1951. Throughout this period, the vehicles of this company were utilized primarily with Ammunition Supply Point Number 1, the principal ammunition storage area in Korea. In addition, this company furnished supply trucks for construction operations in the vicinity of the port of Pusan, where it was necessary to construct facilities vital to the United Nations Forces. Despite overwhelming difficulties encountered while operating in conjunction with other United Nations Forces, the members of this company successfully accomplished all missions assigned to them. Despite the fact that spare parts for the vehicles were unavailable, the members of this company, displaying a high degree of initiative, ingenuity, and devotion to duty, kept their vehicles in operating condition at all times. The difficult terrain over which this company's vehicles were operating imposed a constant threat of breakdowns, but the skill exhibited by the drivers enabled them to complete their mission successfully. *The 1502d Engineer Dump Truck Company (Republic of Korea Army)* displayed such outstanding devotion to duty and performed its exceptionally difficult tasks in such a superior manner as to set it apart from and above other units with a similar mission. The highly competent manner in which the members of this company performed their duties reflects great credit on themselves, the Republic of Korea Army, and the United Nations Forces. (*General Orders 770, Headquarters, Eighth United States Army, Korea, 15 October 1951.*)

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