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I..DISTINGUISHED SERVICE MEDAL. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (WD Bul. 43, 1918), the Distinguished Service Medal for exceptionally meritorious and distinguished service in a position of great responsibility during the period indicated is awarded posthumously to the following-named officer:

Lieutenant General *Robert M. Montague*, , United States Army. 10 October 1946 to 20 February 1958.

II..DISTINGUISHED SERVICE MEDAL. 1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (WD Bul. 43, 1918), the Distinguished Service Medal for exceptionally meritorious and distinguished service in positions of great responsibility during the periods indicated is awarded to the following-named officers.

Major General *Ira K. Evans*, , United States Army. April 1946 to 30 June 1958. (This award supersedes the award of the Legion of Merit (Third Oak Leaf Cluster), for service from 30 March 1954 to 1 November 1955, as published in Department of the Army General Orders 25, 27 June 1956.)

Major General *John B. Murphy*, , United States Army. 20 April 1946 to 30 June 1958.

2. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 9 July 1918 (W. D. Bul. 43, 1918), the Distinguished Service Medal (First Oak Leaf Cluster) for exceptionally meritorious and distinguished service in a position of great responsibility during the period indicated is awarded to the following-named officer:

Major General *Leif J. Sverdrup*, , United States Army Reserve. August 1947 thru January 1958.

III..LEGION OF MERIT. 1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 20 July 1942 (Sec. III, WD Bul. 40, 1942), and Executive Order 10600, 15 March 1955 (Sec. I, DA Bul. 3, 1955), the Legion of Merit for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service during the periods indicated is awarded to the following-named officers:

Colonel *Walter W. Abbey*, , Artillery, United States Army. 1 July 1952 to 30 June 1958.

Major *Joseph A. Bacci*, , Corps of Engineers, United States Army. 10 December 1955 to 28 January 1958.

Lieutenant Colonel *Elmer F. Clark*, , Corps of Engineers, Army of the United States. 1 May 1955 to 23 September 1957.

Colonel *John E. Haughey*, , Medical Service Corps, United States Army. 5 July 1951 to 31 May 1958.

Lieutenant Colonel *Frances M. Lathrop*, L21, United States Women's Army Corps, United States Army. 11 October 1958 to 31 May 1958.

Major General *James R. Pierce*, United States Army. 7 February 1946 to 31 May 1958.

2. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 20 July 1942 (Sec. III, WD Bul. 40, 1942), and Executive Order 10800, 15 March 1955 (Sec. I, DA Bul. 3, 1955), the Legion of Merit (First Oak Leaf Cluster) for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service during the periods indicated is awarded to the following-named officers:

Colonel *William V. Harber*, Ordnance Corps, United States Army. 18 August 1954 to 30 June 1958.

Colonel *Agnes A. Maley*, Army Nurse Corps, United States Army. 2 August 1946 to 3 June 1958.

Colonel *Elmo S. Mathews*, Ordnance Corps, United States Army. 21 September 1954 to 30 June 1958.

Colonel *William V. Owen*, Transportation Corps, United States Army. 1 September 1945 to 30 June 1958.

Colonel *Thomas J. Wells*, Infantry, United States Army. 2 July 1956 to 31 May 1958.

3. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 20 July 1942 (Sec. III, WD Bul. 40, 1942), and Executive Order 10800, 15 March 1955 (Sec. I, DA Bul. 3, 1955), the Legion of Merit (Second Oak Leaf Cluster) for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service during the periods indicated is awarded to the following-named officers:

Major General *Oliver P. Newman*, United States Army. August 1952 to 31 May 1958.

Major General *Elwyn D. Post*, United States Army. July 1952 to 31 May 1958.

4. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 20 July 1942 (Sec. III, WD Bul. 40, 1942), and Executive Order 10600, 15 March 1955 (Sec. I, DA Bul. 3, 1955), the Legion of Merit (Third Oak Leaf Cluster) for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service during the period indicated is awarded to the following-named officer:

Major General *Richard W. Stephens*, United States Army. December 1952 to 30 June 1958.

IV. LEGION OF MERIT. 1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 20 July 1942 (Sec. III, WD Bul. 40, 1942), and Executive Order 10600, 15 March 1955 (Sec. I, DA Bul. 3, 1955), the Legion of Merit (Degree of Officer) for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service during the periods indicated is awarded to the following-named officers:

Brigadier General *Gualberto Olmos Arrazola*, Bolivian Army. June 1956 to November 1957.

Colonel *Agustin Donis Kestler*, Guatemalan Army. September 1954 to March 1958.

2. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 20 July 1942 (Sec. III, WD Bul. 40, 1942), and Executive Order 10600, 15 March 1955 (Sec. I, DA Bul. 3, 1955), the Legion of Merit (Degree of Legion-

naire) for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service during the periods indicated is awarded to the following-named officers:

Major *Jose Costa Cavaloanti*, Brazilian Army. October 1955 to November 1957.

Captain *Yohannes Meseker*, , Ethiopian Army. 15 May 1955 to 30 June 1956.

Major *Alvaro Valencia Tovar*, Colombian Army. April 1956 to January 1958.

V. DISTINGUISHED FLYING CROSS. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 2 July 1926 (WD Bul. 8, 1926), a Distinguished Flying Cross for heroism while participating in aerial flight on the date indicated is awarded to the following-named officers:

Chief Warrant Officer *John J. Cooney*, , Army of the United States, a member of the 33d Transportation Company (Light Helicopter) (H-21), Fort Ord, California, distinguished himself by heroism while participating in aerial flight as pilot of an H-21 Helicopter in the rescue of four skiers stranded on Mount Lyell, Yosemite National Park, California, on 31 March 1958. This volunteer mission, conducted by Mr. *Cooney* under extremely adverse and dangerous conditions of low density air at 11,500 feet actual altitude, violent winds and snowstorms which limited visibility, unpredictable air currents, hazardous peaks and inadequate landing sites, demanded the utmost technical precision and constant attention to duty. Mr. *Cooney's* skillful flying techniques, professional competence and ingenuity made it possible to land the aircraft in the deep snow on the narrow ledge of a steep slope near the isolated individuals. Upon completion of this perilous task, he left the helicopter, waded through deep snowdrifts, to assist a skier stricken with pneumonia into the aircraft and to remove the victim to a place of safety. This timely action not only saved the life of this skier, but also the lives of three other skiers who would have encountered extreme danger from the severe blizzard which followed immediately after the rescue. Mr. *Cooney's* unhesitating and courageous action and tenacious determination successfully accomplished this mission in the face of grave danger, reflecting the highest credit upon himself, his unit and the military service.

Chief Warrant Officer *William J. Williams*, , Army of the United States, a member of the 33d Transportation Company (Light Helicopter) (H-21), Fort Ord, California, distinguished himself by heroism while participating in aerial flight as co-pilot of an H-21 Helicopter in the rescue of four skiers stranded on Mount Lyell, Yosemite National Park, California, on 31 March 1958. This volunteer mission, conducted under extremely adverse and dangerous conditions of low density air at 11,500 feet actual altitude, violent winds and snowstorms which limited visibility, unpredictable air currents, hazardous peaks and inadequate landing sites demanded the utmost technical precision and constant attention to duty. Mr. *Williams's* skillful flying techniques, professional competence and ingenuity made it possible to land the aircraft in the deep snow on the narrow ledge of a steep slope near the isolated individuals. Upon completion of this perilous task, he left the helicopter, waded through deep snowdrifts to assist a skier stricken with pneumonia into the aircraft and to remove the victim to a place of safety. This timely action not only saved the life of this skier, but also the lives of three other skiers who would have encountered extreme danger from the severe blizzard which followed immediately after the rescue. Mr. *Williams's* unhesitating and courageous action and tenacious determination successfully accomplished this mission in the face of grave danger, reflecting the highest credit upon himself, his unit and the military service.

VI..SOLDIER'S MEDAL. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress, approved 2 July 1926 (WD Bul. 8, 1926), a Soldier's Medal for heroism not involving actual conflict with an enemy on the date indicated is awarded (posthumously) to the following-named enlisted man:

Private First Class *Robert A. Spriggs*, _____, Signal Corps, United States Army, a member of Company C, 51st Signal Battalion (Corps) distinguished himself by heroism on 9 May 1958. While on the bank of Han Tan River in Korea, Private *Spriggs* saw his comrade, a Republic of Korea soldier, who was laundering clothing, wade out into the water to retrieve some clothing which had been caught in the current. The Republic of Korea soldier stepped from an underwater ledge into deep water and, unable to swim, began to flounder and call for help. Without hesitation and with complete disregard for his own personal safety, Private *Spriggs* unclothed, entered the water and swam out to aid the helpless man. As Private *Spriggs* approached to render assistance, the victim panicked, overpowered Private *Spriggs* to the extent that he could not break the man's grip, and both men drowned. In the performance of this brave action in an attempt to rescue his fellow-man, Private *Spriggs* displayed a rare courage and spirit of self-sacrifice which reflected great credit upon himself and the military service.

VII..SOLDIER'S MEDAL. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress, approved 2 July 1926 (WD Bul. 8, 1926), a Soldier's Medal for heroism not involving actual conflict with an enemy on the dates indicated is awarded to the following-named officer and enlisted men:

Specialist Second Class *James Ross*, _____, Corps of Engineers, United States Army, a member of Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 24th Engineer Battalion (Armored Division) distinguished himself by heroism on 4 December 1957 at Fort Hood, Texas. While working in conjunction with another soldier inside an Armored Personnel Carrier, M75, to repair a gasoline leak, an electrical cable in the forward section of the vehicle shorted, creating an electrical arc and igniting the gasoline fumes which filled the compartment. Instantly the inside of the carrier burst into flames. Specialist *Ross* looked forward and saw his companion engulfed in the flames and struggling to regain his footing. With complete disregard for his own personal safety and without hesitation, Specialist *Ross* moved forward through the blaze, grasped the burning soldier by his clothing and pulled him through the rear escape door to safety. The presence of mind, immediate and courageous actions displayed by Specialist *Ross* in risking his life to save a fellow soldier reflect the utmost credit upon himself and the military service.

Chief Warrant Officer *Earl R. Slattery*, _____, Corps of Engineers, Army of the United States, distinguished himself by heroism on 24 October 1957, while in the position of Service Platoon Commander, 584th Engineer Company (Light Equipment), Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri. While attempting to remove a D-7 Dozer from a 25-ton trailer which had fallen into an abandoned foxhole, the dozer slid sideways off the trailer and partially rolled over, pinning the operator beneath the machine. The soft rain soaked terrain made it highly probable that the machine would sink further and crush the operator in a matter of minutes. With complete disregard for his own personal safety, Warrant Officer *Slattery* immediately crawled beneath the overturned tractor and proceeded to extract the pinned operator. In order to accomplish this, his position was such that any further movement of the tractor would have crushed him. As a result of

Warrant Officer *Slattery's* unhesitating action, the operator was released unhurt. Warrant Officer *Slattery's* presence of mind and unselfish action reflect great credit upon himself and the military service.

Private First Class *Mercedith W. Zock*, Battery A, 4th Missile Battalion (REDSTONE), 333rd Artillery, Fort Sill, Oklahoma, distinguished himself by heroism while attached to the 3206th Test Group for the Redstone Missile System Winterization Project at Eglin Air Force Base, Florida, on 31 March 1958. As a member of the fueling crew, Private *Zock* was stationed on the fueling ladder near the fuel inlet valve of the REDSTONE missile, where approximately 1,700 gallons of fuel had been transferred to the missile fuel tank, when an explosion and fire occurred in the pumping compartment of the alcohol trailer. Private *Zock* dismounted the fueling ladder with the intent of rendering assistance to persons blown about by the explosion, and then, in complete disregard of his own life and personal safety, passed through the flames at the base of the missile, remounted the fueling ladder and closed the inlet valve on the missile. This decisive action stopped the flow of fuel from the missile to the ground and prevented the fire from reaching the missile fuel tank and causing a more serious conflagration and explosion which would undoubtedly have resulted in serious injury or loss of life to approximately 18 men in the immediate vicinity, as well as the loss of the missile and the multi-million dollar climatic test facility in which the tests were being conducted. Private *Zock's* prompt and courageous action, presence of mind and devotion to duty demonstrated a high degree of dedication to the service and to his country, and reflect the utmost credit upon himself and the United States Army.

VIII. AIR MEDAL. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order 9158, 11 May 1942, as amended by Executive Order 9242-A, 11 September 1942, an Air Medal for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight on the date indicated is awarded to the following-named officers:

Chief Warrant Officer *Quincy A. Boardon*, United States Army.
12 January 1958.

Chief Warrant Officer *Olaufo J. Moore*, United States Army. 12
January 1958.

IX. COMMENDATION RIBBON WITH METAL PENDANT. 1. By direction of the Secretary of the Army, under the provisions of paragraph 13, AR 672-5-1, the Commendation Ribbon with Metal Pendant for meritorious service during the periods indicated is awarded to the following-named officers:

Lieutenant Colonel *Albert M. Antonelli*, Corps of Engineers, United
States Army. 1 August 1956 to 25 April 1958.

Lieutenant Colonel *James M. Oohran*, Artillery, United States Army.
June 1956 to January 1958.

Lieutenant Colonel *Jacob B. Cooperhouse*, Signal Corps, United States
Army. 1 July 1955 to 30 June 1958.

Major *Charles H. Dornacker*, Artillery, United States Army. 24
July 1954 to 4 April 1958.

Major *Franols A. Foa*, Military Police Corps, United States Army.
1 December 1955 to 2 July 1958.

Lieutenant Colonel *Wmll K. Gubin*, Infantry, United States Army
Reserve. 1 April 1953 to 6 February 1958.

Colonel *Gordon H. Holterman*, General Staff (Artillery), United
States Army. July 1955 to July 1958.

- Lieutenant Colonel *Lloyd K. Jenson*, , Infantry, United States Army. December 1957 to July 1958.
- Colonel *John E. Kelly*, , Infantry, United States Army. 1 April 1955 to 14 June 1957.
- Captain *Hubert G. Lane*, , Infantry, National Guard of the United States. 16 March 1954 to 16 March 1958.
- Major *John R. Martin*, , Infantry, United States Army. 6 July 1954 to 28 May 1958.
- Colonel *John K. McCormick*, , Artillery, United States Army. 2 April 1956 to 30 June 1958.
- Captain *Garland H. Midgett*, , Finance Corps, United States Army. 1 July 1955 to 1 May 1958.
- Lieutenant Colonel *David C. Morrow*, , Corps of Engineers, United States Army. 18 April 1956 to 1 April 1958.
- Lieutenant Colonel *John J. Pakula*, , Infantry, United States Army. 1 July 1955 to 30 June 1958.
- Colonel *Gines Percz*, , Infantry, United States Army. 11 June 1956 to 1 May 1958.
- Lieutenant Colonel *Robert G. Remley*, , Military Police Corps, United States Army. 2 September 1955 to 31 May 1958.
- Major *George E. Renault, Jr.*, , Corps of Engineers (GS), United States Army. 1 June 1954 to 15 May 1958.
- Lieutenant Colonel *William B. Rose*, , Military Intelligence, United States Army Reserve. 1 November 1946 to 25 April 1958.
- Major *Maw E. Sosna*, , Adjutant General's Corps, Army of the United States. 5 August 1956 through 30 June 1958.
- Lieutenant Colonel *Henry D. Weston*, , Corps of Engineers, United States Army. 1 July 1955 to 27 June 1958.
- Colonel *Charles G. Young*, , Artillery, United States Army. 13 July 1955 to 8 May 1958.

2. By direction of the Secretary of the Army, under the provisions of paragraph 13, AR 672-5-1, the Commendation Ribbon with Metal Pendant for meritorious achievement during the periods indicated is awarded to the following-named officers and enlisted men:

- Sergeant First Class *John J. Henderson*, , Infantry, United States Army. 23 January 1958.
- Specialist Third Class *Frank R. Kennedy*, , Signal Corps, United States Army. 14 December 1957.
- First Lieutenant *William F. Lang, Jr.*, , Artillery, United States Army. 5 January 1958.
- Private First Class *Pierre La Tourette, III*, , Infantry, United States Army. 22 February 1958.
- Lieutenant Colonel *Paul O. LeGolvan*, , Medical Corps, United States Army. 28 October 1956 to 9 December 1956.
- Warrant Officer, W-1, *Stanley O. Olstynski*, , United States Army. 15 to 22 September 1957.
- Sergeant First Class *Ray B. Ah Sing*, , Signal Corps, United States Army. 21 December 1957.
- Sergeant *Andrew J. Ummarino*, , Military Police Corps, United States Army. 7 February 1958.

3. By direction of the Secretary of the Army, under the provisions of paragraph 13, AR 672-5-1, the Commendation Ribbon with Metal Pendant (First Oak Leaf Cluster) for meritorious service during the periods indicated is awarded to the following-named officers and enlisted man:

Colonel *William J. Allen, Jr.*, , Chemical Corps, United States Army.
31 December 1955 to 16 June 1958.

Chaplain (Colonel) *Charles E. Brown, Jr.*, , United States Army.
10 March 1955 to 12 June 1958.

Chaplain (Lieutenant Colonel) *Ferdinand A. Evans*, , Chaplains,
Army of the United States. 5 October 1957 thru 2 July 1958.

Major *Bernard Big*, , Infantry, United States Army. 9 April 1955
to 30 April 1958.

Lieutenant Colonel *Harry R. Howell, Jr.*, , Corps of Engineers, United
State Army. January 1956 to June 1958.

Colonel *Harry J. Lemley, Jr.*, , Artillery, United States Army. 18
July 1955 to 9 May 1958.

Major *Mark G. Pell*, , Infantry, United States Army. July 1954 to
June 1958.

Master Sergeant *Edward L. Salsgiver*, , United States Army.
19 March 1956 to 29 January 1958.

4. By direction of the Secretary of the Army, under the provisions of paragraph 13, AR 672-5-1, the Commendation Ribbon with Metal Pendant (First Oak Leaf Cluster) for meritorious achievement on the date indicated is awarded to the following-named officer:

Chief Warrant Officer, W-2, *Alexander A. Dohy*, , United States Army.
4 August 1957.

X.-COMMENDATION RIBBON WITH METAL PENDANT. 1. So much of section VI, General Orders Number 58, Department of the Army, 1957, as pertains to award of the Commendation Ribbon with Metal Pendant to Master Sergeant *Michael A. Cardone*, , as reads "Commendation Ribbon with Metal Pendant" is amended to read "Commendation Ribbon with Metal Pendant (First Oak Leaf Cluster-)." ."

2. So much of section VI, General Orders Number 58, Department of the Army, 1957, as pertains to award of the Commendation Ribbon with Metal Pendant to Chief Warrant Officer W-2 *Rudolph A. Long*, , United States Army, as reads "Commendation Ribbon with Metal Pendant" is amended to read "Commendation Ribbon with Metal Pendant (First Oak Leaf Cluster)."

3. So much of paragraph 2, section VI, General Orders No. 15, Department of the Army 1958, pertaining to award of the Commendation Ribbon with Metal Pendant to the enlisted men named below as reads "Medical Corps" is amended to read "Army Medical Service":

Private First Class *Robert J. Byrne*,
Private First Class *Barton M. Fanning*,
Private First Class *Carminc Izzo*,
Private First Class *John J. Shaheen, III*,
Private *Adrian P. Vanasse, Jr.*,
Private First Class *Robert L. Wilcox*,

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