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AWARD OF THE VALOROUS UNIT AWARD

TC 439. The following AWARD is announced.

By direction of the Secretary of the Army, under the provisions of paragraph 202.1g(2), AR 672-5-1, the Valorous Unit Award is awarded to the following named units of the United States Army for extraordinary heroism while engaged in military operations during the period indicated:

1ST BATTALION (AIRMOBILE), 502D INFANTRY, 101ST AIRBORNE DIVISION (AIRMOBILE) and its attached unit: 47th Infantry Platoon (Scout Dog), 101st Airborne Division (Airmobile)

The citation reads as follows:

The 1ST BATTALION (AIRMOBILE), 502D INFANTRY, 101ST AIRBORNE DIVISION (AIRMOBILE) and its attached unit, the 47th Infantry Platoon (Scout Dog), 101st Airborne Division (Airmobile) distinguished themselves through extraordinary heroism while engaged in military operations against a hostile force in Quang Thuong District, Republic of Vietnam, during the period 12 March 1969 to 8 May 1969. Moving out from Fire Base Veghel, the officers and men of the battalion met fierce and continued resistance from a North Vietnamese Army platoon and several company size units well-entrenched in the mountainous terrain of the triple canopy jungle. Over the following weeks, the men of the 1ST BATTALION (AIRMOBILE), 502D INFANTRY, 101ST AIRBORNE DIVISION (AIRMOBILE) made frequent contact with the enemy and numerous engagements, characterized by close, hard fighting, were waged. Through their untiring efforts, unwavering determination and undaunted courage, the skytroopers compiled an enviable record of triumphs over a well-equipped and highly motivated foe. With pride and tenacity, unit personnel contributed immeasurably to the Free World effort in the Republic of Vietnam. The men of the 1ST BATTALION (AIRMOBILE), 502D INFANTRY, 101ST AIRBORNE DIVISION (AIRMOBILE) displayed extraordinary heroism and devotion to duty which are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service and reflect distinct credit upon themselves, their unit, and the Armed Forces of the United States.

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