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1ST BRIGADE 101ST AIRBORNE DIVISION  
APO San Francisco 96347

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AWARD OF THE ARMY COMMENDATION MEDAL FOR HEROISM

1. TC 320. The following AWARD is announced.

POTTS, PAUL E. SPECIALIST FOUR E4 USA  
HHC, 2d Bn, 502d Inf, 1st Bde, 101st Abn Div, APO 96347

Awarded: Army Commendation Medal with "V" Device

Date action: 11 July 1967

Theater: Republic of Viet Nam

Reason: For heroism in connection with military operations against a hostile force: Specialist Potts distinguished himself by exceptionally valorous actions on 11 July 1967 in the Republic of Viet Nam. While in a perimeter of defense, Specialist Potts' platoon was suddenly taken under a tremendous volume of enemy grenade, mortar, and automatic weapons fire. The friendly element received numerous casualties in the initial stages of the attack. Specialist Potts, with complete disregard for his own safety, began to move through the bullet swept area pulling wounded men to safety in the center of the perimeter. When the artillery forward observer and radio telephone operator were both wounded, he again moved through the vicious enemy fire and began to accurately adjust artillery fire against the enemy. Specialist Potts' devotion to duty and personal courage were in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service, and reflect great credit upon himself, his unit, and the United States Army.

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