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AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL FOR HEROISM

1. TC 320. The following AWLRD is announced.

CAMPBELL, DAVID H. FIRST LIEUTENANT INFANTRY USA

Co B, 2d Bn, 502d Inf, 1st Bde, 101st Abn Div, APO 96347 Awarded: Bronze Star Medal with "V" Device

Date action: 6 July 1967

Theater: Republic of Viet Nam

- Reason: For heroism in connection with military operations against a hostile force: Lieutenant Campbell distinguished himself by exceptionally valorcus actions on 6 July 1967 in the Republic of Viet Nam. While on a search and destroy mission, Lieutenant Campbell placed his platoon into a position to observe an enemy village. Shortly thereafter, he received word that several enemy soldiers were observed entering the village. Quickly organizing a raiding party, he began to personally lead his element toward the village. As they neared the village, an encmy machine gun position was detected. With complete disregard for his own safety, he personally led an assault against the enemy machinegun position, knocking it out and killing two energy soldiers. He then quickly directed the remainder of his platoon to open fire on the village, but was unable to effectively direct his platoon's fire from the position he was in. Again with complete disregard for his own safety, he rushed across an open rice paddy through a heavy volume of enemy fire to a position where he could better direct the fire and maneuver of his platoon. As a result of Lieutenant Campbell's immediate action, his platoon was able to completely overrun the energy positions causing the energy to flee. Lieutenant Campbell's 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.
- Authority: By direction of the President under the provisions of Executive Order 11046, 24 August 1962.

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