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1ST BRIGADE 101ST AIRBORNE DIVISION  
APO San Francisco 96347

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AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL FOR HEROISM

1. TC 320. The following AWARD is announced.

WILLIAMS, BENJAMIN                      SPECIALIST FOUR: EA USA  
Co B, 2d Bn, 502d Inf, 1st Bde, 101st Abn Div, APO 96347

Awarded: Bronze Star Medal with "V" Device

Date action: 13 August 1967

Theater: Republic of Viet Nam

Reason: For heroism in connection with military operations against a hostile force: Specialist Williams distinguished himself by exceptionally valorous actions on 13 August 1967 in the Republic of Viet Nam. Specialist Williams' platoon suddenly came under intense enemy automatic weapons fire and small arms fire. His platoon had expended much of its ammunition in the battle and the nearest supplies were located near a landing zone that was covered by the murderous enemy fire. Specialist Williams volunteered to go to the landing zone for resupplies and, with complete disregard for his own safety, he moved through the withering hail of enemy fire to the supply point and returned with a much needed ammunition supply. Upon seeing two comrades that were wounded, he rushed into the fire swept area and administered life saving medical aid to them. He then led them through an enemy minefield to a medical evacuation helicopter, insuring their quick and safe evacuation. As a result of Specialist Williams' heroic actions, his platoon was able to maintain a steady and uninterrupted volume of fire on the enemy which led his platoon to ultimate victory over the determined enemy force. Specialist Williams' 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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