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AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL FOR HEROISM

1. TO 320. The following AWARD is announced.

ARAGON, FRANK SPECIALIST FOUR E4 USA Co C, 2nd Bn, 502nd Inf

Awarded: Bronze Star Medal with "V" Device

Date action: 29 September 1967

Theater: Republic of Viet Nam

Reason: For heroism in connection with military operations against a hostile force: Specialist Aragon distinguished himself by exceptionally valorous actions on 29 September 1967 in the Republic of Viet Nam. At the peak of a fierce fire fight, Specialist Aragon personally overran several bunkered enemy positions killing three enemy occupants. On one occasion, Specialist Aragon, with complete disregard for his own safety, rushed an enemy bunker firing his weapon as he moved and upon reaching the enemy bunker, he fired into it, wounding the enemy soldier inside. He immediately jumped into the bunker from behind and found the wounded enemy about to throw a grenade. To his immediate dismay, he found that he had an empty magazine and not enough time to reload. He immediately tackled the enemy soldier, wrestling the grenade away from him and finally killed him with his bayonet. Specialist Aragon'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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