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SECTION I

THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL WITH "V" DEVICE

1. TC 320. The following AWARDS are announced.

RODELLI, JOHN R SECOND LIEUTENANT INFANTRY
Headquarters and Headquarters Company 101st Airborne Division APO San
Francisco 96383

Awarded: The Bronze Star Medal with "V" Device

Date action: 22 February 1968

Theater: Republic of Vietnam


Reason: For heroism in ground combat against a hostile force in the Republic of Vietnam on 22 February 1968. Second Lieutenant Rodelli distinguished himself by heroism in connection with military operations against a hostile force while serving as a platoon leader while Company A, 2nd Battalion, 501st Infantry was on a combat operation near Hue, Republic of Vietnam. The company had come under heavy fire from a series of fortified positions held by an estimated enemy company. Second Lieutenant Rodelli, realizing the importance of knocking out the fortified enemy positions to free the company's progress, led the lead elements of his platoon against the enemy's positions, disregarding his own safety. Even though sustaining heavy automatic weapons and rocket propelled grenade fire, Second Lieutenant Rodelli fearlessly led his men across an open field. Under his masterful direction of fire, and great personal courage, Second Lieutenant Rodelli's platoon overran the tough enemy position. This courageous act enabled the rest of the company to move forward unhindered and free to accomplish their mission. Second Lieutenant Rodelli's unhesitating courage and dedication to his unit's mission 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 of the United States under the provisions of Executive Order 11046.

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