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AWARD OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL WITH "V" DEVICE

TC 439. The following AWARD is announced.

GAINCY, WALLACE PSG 11B40 Co B 2d Bn (Aimbl) 502d Inf (Aimobile) APO
SF 96383

Awarded: The Bronze Star Medal with "V" Device

Date of service: 27 April 1970

Theater: Republic of Vietnam

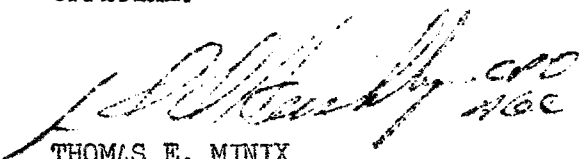
Authority: By direction of the President of the United States under the
provisions of Executive Order 11046.

Reason: For heroism in ground combat against a hostile force in the Republic
of Vietnam on 27 April 1970. Sergeant Gaincy distinguished himself
while serving as a platoon sergeant in Company B, 2d Battalion (Air-
mobile), 502d Infantry, on operations in Thua Thien Province, Republic
of Vietnam. During a combat patrol, Sergeant Gaincy's unit was
engaged by small arms and automatic weapons fire from a well-entrenched
enemy force. The platoon leader was wounded in the initial contact,
and Sergeant Gaincy took charge of the platoon. He deployed his men
and subjected himself to the hostile fire as he ran from position to
position distributing badly needed ammunition. Sergeant Gaincy
repeatedly subjected himself to the hostile fire while helping
wounded men to safety. When armed helicopters arrived at the contact
area, Sergeant Gaincy withdrew the platoon a short distance to allow
for aerial rocket artillery assaults. When the armed helicopters
had finished, Sergeant Gaincy led his men in a ground assault and
overran the enemy positions. Sergeant Gaincy's personal bravery
and devotion to duty were in keeping with the highest traditions
of the military service and reflect great credit upon himself, his
unit, and the United States Army.

FOR THE COMMANDER:

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