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AMERICAL DIVISION
APO San Francisco 96374

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AWARD OF THE SOLDIERS MEDAL

1. TC 320. The following AWARD is announced.

GREATHOUSE, GLEN R. PRIVATE FIRST CLASS E3, United States Army, Company A, 2d Battalion (Airborne), 502d Infantry, 1st Brigade, 101st Airborne Division APO 96347

Awarded: Soldiers Medal

Date action: 29 August 1967


Theater: Republic of Vietnam

Reason: For heroism not involving actual conflict with an enemy on 29 August 1967 near Chu Lai, Republic of Vietnam. While on a search and destroy mission, Private First Class Greathouse's platoon was moving along a stream bed that was extremely treacherous due to numerous deep pools. As Private Greathouse's squad was passing one of the deep pools, the squad machinegunner slipped and fell into approximately eight feet of water. The stricken man had his rucksack and his machinegun on a sling around his neck and immediately sank to the bottom of the pool. With complete disregard for his own personal safety, Private Greathouse dropped his rucksack and weapon, dove to the bottom of the pool, brought his stricken comrade to the surface and pulled him to shore. As a result of Private Greathouse's action, his comrade was undoubtedly saved from drowning. Private First Class Greathouse's outstanding display of heroism and his unselfish concern for his fellow soldiers are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service and reflect great credit upon himself, the Americal Division, and the United States Army.

Authority: By direction of the President under the provisions of the Act of Congress, approved 2 July 1926.

FOR THE COMMANDER:

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