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TASK FORCE OREGON (PROVISIONAL)
APO San Francisco 96374

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AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR

1. TC 320. The following AWARD is announced posthumously.

HOGO, EDWARD , SERGEANT E5, United States Army, Company B,
2d Battalion (Airborne), 502d Infantry, 1st Brigade, 101st Airborne
Division APO 96347

Awarded: Silver Star

Date action: 21 August 1967

Theater: Republic of Vietnam

Reason: For gallantry in action against a hostile force on 21 August 1967 in the Republic of Vietnam. Sergeant Bobo distinguished himself by exceptional valor and personal sacrifice while on a search and destroy mission as his squad came under intense enemy automatic weapons fire from a fortified bunker. Sergeant Bobo immediately maneuvered his squad against the enemy position. He led one element of his squad and advanced to within sixty feet of the bunker, moving through machinegun fire. Sergeant Bobo killed two of the insurgents. Once in position, he exposed himself to the enemy fire four times to throw as many grenades. His grenades did not destroy the bunker. Realizing that the momentum of the attack had to be maintained, Sergeant Bobo, with complete disregard for his own safety, leaped from his position and ran through the intense hail of enemy machinegun fire to a position which would afford him a close range on the bunker. While running, he was wounded by the fire. Once in position, however, he continued his determined attack on the bunker with hand grenades and destroyed the bunker killing two more of the enemy. Although wounded and still receiving fire, Sergeant Bobo left his covered position to rejoin his squad for an assault on another bunker. While making his way back to the squad he was mortally wounded. Sergeant Bobo never relented from his determined effort to resist and quell the enemy by all means available; his outstanding display of unquestionable valor in close combat was in keeping with the finest traditions of the military service and has reflected the greatest of credit upon himself, Task Force Oregon, and the United States Army.

Authority: By direction of the President under the provisions of the Act of Congress, approved 9 July 1918.