HEADQUARTERS AMERICAL DIVISION APO San Francisco 96374

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## AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR

1. TC 320. The following AWARD is announced.

MOORE, WILLIAM A. , SPECIALIST FOUR E4, United States Army, Company B, 2d Battalion (Airborne), 502d Infantry, 1st Brigade, 101st Airborne Division APO 96347

Awarded: Silver Star

Date action: 18 May 1967

Theater: Republic of Vietnam

Reason: For gallantry in action against a hostile force on 18 May 1967 near Duc Pho, Republic of Vietnam. Specialist Four Moore's platoon had been given the mission of assisting a platoon that had become completely surrounded by an enemy company. When his platoon arrived at the scene of the battle, they also became heavily engaged with the enemy element and received numerous casualties. Specialist Moore, the platoon medic, immediately began to pull his wounded comrades to safety and give them medical aid. Specialist Moore observed three wounded soldiers lying in an area completely exposed to enemy automatic weapons fire. With complete disregard for his own personal safety, he rushed through the hostile fire to the first wounded soldier and picked him up. Just as Specialist Moore started for cover he was struck in the leg and wounded by enemy fire. Disregarding his wound, Specialist Moore continued forward, carrying the wounded man until he reached a safe position. Refusing medical treatment, he returned to the bullet-swept area two more times to bring the remaining two men to safety. Still refusing medical aid, Specialist Moore returned to the raging battle and began to take care of the wounded from both platoons as the medic from the other platoon had been seriously wounded. For over an hour Specialist Moore moved through the battle area treating the wounded. On one occasion Specialist Moore moved to within ten meters of an enemy positions to aid a wounded man. Specialist Four Moore's outstanding display of valor and his devotion to duty 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 9 July 1918.