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SECTION I

THE SILVER STAR MEDAL

1. TC 320. The following AWARDS are announced.

LAND, DAVID B .

FIRST LIEUTENANT INFANTRY Company B 1st

Battalion (Airborne) 502d Infantry APO San Francisco 96383

Awarded: The Silver Star Medal

Date action: 7 May 1968 Theater: Republic of Vietnam

Reason: For gallantry in action in the Republic of Vietnam on 7 May 1968. First Lieutenant Land distinguished himself while serving as a platoon leader on a combat operation near Ap An Lo. Republic of Vietnam. While in a platoon size night ambush position the three man listening post became in danger of being overrum by a platoon sized enemy force. First Lieutenant Land moved to a forward position with two other volunteers, under enemy fire, and placed effective small arms fire on the enemy. He stayed at his forward position for nine hours until the listening post could be safely brought in. His action resulted in heavy enemy losses and was an inspiration to those who witnessed his bravery. First Lieutenant Land'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.

Authority: By direction of the President of the United States under the provisions of an Act of Congress established 9 July 1918.

FOR THE COMMANDER:

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