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AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR

1. TC 320. The following AWARD is announced.

BARSKI, ROGER J RA () SERGEANT Company A 2nd Battalion
(Airborne) 501st Infantry APO San Francisco 96383

Awarded: The Silver Star

Effective month: March 1969

Date action: 13 February 1969

Theater: Republic of Vietnam

Reason: For gallantry in action in the Republic of Vietnam on 13 February 1969. Sergeant Barski distinguished himself while serving as a squad leader in Company A, 2nd Battalion, 501st Infantry, in the mountains southwest of Hue, Republic of Vietnam. On the cited date, Company A made contact with a large North Vietnamese force. During the ensuing firefight, the platoon leader of the second platoon was wounded by enemy fire and was unable to continue at his post. Sergeant Barski quickly assumed command and began to direct his men in suppressing the enemy fire. He moved from position to position, often completely unprotected from the intense enemy fire. After directing his men in providing an effective base of fire, he crawled forward to assist his wounded platoon leader and another wounded man. While under direct enemy fire, he administered emergency first aid to both men and then dragged them back to the company perimeter. After assuring their safety, Sergeant Barski led the platoon in an assault on the enemy positions, and succeeded in silencing them in close quarter fighting. Sergeant Barski'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 the Act of Congress, approved 25 July 1963.

FOR THE COMMANDER:

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