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AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR

TC 439. The following AWARD is announced.

NEISES, ELMER O. SGT 11B40 Co C 1st Bn (Aml) 501st Inf (WACMCO) APO
SF 96383

Awarded: The Silver Star

Date of service: 21 May 1969

Theater: Republic of Vietnam

Authority: By direction of the President of the United States under the provisions of
the Act of Congress approved 25 July 1963.

Reason: For gallantry in action in the Republic of Vietnam on 21 May 1969. Sergeant
Neises distinguished himself while serving as a squad leader in Company C, 1st
Battalion (Airmobile), 501st Infantry, near the city of Tam Ky, Republic of
Vietnam. During a search and clear mission, Sergeant Neises' unit came under
heavy fire from an enemy bunker complex. Sergeant Neises subjected himself to
the hostile fire as he rushed an enemy position and destroyed it with hand
grenades. Sergeant Neises, seeing that the enemy force had his platoon in a
cross fire, picked up several anti-tank weapons and advanced on an insurgent
machine gun position with two of his fellow soldiers. He crawled toward the
position despite receiving hostile fire and placed suppressive fire on the
insurgents, allowing his comrades to destroy the hostile positions. His coura-
geous actions during the intense enemy contact contributed greatly to the
success of the mission. Sergeant Neises' 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.

FOR THE COMMANDER:

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