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AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR

1. TO 320 The following AWARD is announced.

KORNEGAY, DAVID F FIRST LIEUTENANT INFANTRY Company C
2d Battalion (Airborne) 501st Infantry APO San Francisco 96383

Awarded: The Silver Star

Effective month: N/A

Date action: 3 April 1969

Theater: Republic of Vietnam

Reason: For gallantry in action in the Republic of Vietnam on 3 April 1969. Lieutenant Kornegay distinguished himself while serving as a platoon leader of the Second Platoon of Company C, 2d Battalion, 501st Infantry, on a combat operation in the A Shau Valley, Republic of Vietnam. On the cited date, the Second Platoon was given the mission of reinforcing the Third Platoon which was in contact with an enemy platoon. Upon reaching the beleaguered element, Lieutenant Kornegay began to position his men in the most advantageous positions to place effective fire upon the enemy. He repeatedly moved through the intense enemy fire in order to better place his men. Upon receiving word that two members of the Third Platoon had been seriously wounded, he crawled through the heavy enemy fire to administer emergency first aid and to carry the two wounded men to a safe position for medical evacuation. His leadership and personal direction were an inspiration to his men and rallied confidence in their abilities. Lieutenant Kornegay'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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