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AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR

TC 439. The following AWARD is announced.

HENDRICKS, LAVATERES APO SF 96383

SFC 11F40 Co A 2d Bn (Ambl) 501st Inf (WACNAO)

Awarded: The Silver Star Date of service: 22 April 1970

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 22 April 1970. Sergeant Hendricks distinguished himself while serving as a platoon sergeant in Company A, 2d Battalion (Airmobile), 501st Infantry, during combat operations in Thua Thien Province, Republic of Vietnam. While set up in a night defensive position, Sergeant Hendricks' unit came under attack from an enemy sapper force. When three friendly soldiers were wounded by an enemy satchel charge, Sergeant Hendricks rushed through intense hostile fire to their position and defended it until medical aidmen and reinforcements arrived. When personnel at an adjoining position were wounded by grenade fire, Sergeant Hendricks again braved enemy fire and defended that position until support arrived. During the contact, Sergeant Hendricks was severely wounded by enemy mortar fire. Despite his wounds, he remained at his position and refused medical aid until the attack had been repulsed. Sergeant Hendricks' 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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