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AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR (POSTHUMOUS)

TC 439. The following AWARD is announced.

ZARAGOZA, VICTOR
APO SF 96383

SGT 11B40 Co A 2d Bn (Amb) 501st Inf (A/CNAO)

Awarded: The Silver Star (Posthumous)
Date of service: 20 February 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 20 February 1970. Sergeant Zaragoza distinguished himself while serving as a rifleman in Company A, 2d Battalion (Airmobile), 501st Infantry, during a reconnaissance-in-force operation near Fire Support Base Veghel, Republic of Vietnam. While walking as lead man for his platoon, Sergeant Zaragoza detected an enemy ambush to his front. He immediately shouted a warning to his platoon members and rushed the enemy position, enabling his comrades to maneuver for cover. His unselfish sacrifice prevented the enemy ambush from materializing and kept friendly casualties to a minimum. Sergeant Zaragoza'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.

FOR THE COMMANDER:

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