DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY Headquarters lolst Airborne Division (Airmobile) APO San Francisco 96383

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AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR (POSTHUMOUS)

TC 439. The following AWARD is announced.

MAICOLM, WILLIAM E. SFC 11B40 Co C 2d Bn (Ambl) 502d Inf (WACQCO) APO SF 96383

Awarded: The Silver Star (Posthumous)

Date of service: 5 May 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 5 May 1970. Sergeant Malcolm distinguished himself while serving as a platoon sergeant in Company C, 2d Battalion (Airmobile), 502d Infantry, on combat operations near Fire Support Base Veghel, Republic of Vietnam. While attacking an enemy bunker complex, Sergeant Malcolm's platoon came under intense rocket propelled gronade, automatic weapons and small arms fire. Sergeant Malcolm directed his men against the enemy positions and was seriously wounded by automatic weapons fire. Despite his wounds, he continued the assault and engaged the insurgents with grenade and rifle fire. While leading his men against an automatic weapons position, Sergeant Malcolm was mortally wounded. His actions, however, enabled his unit to overrun the complex and rout the enemy force. Sergeant Malcolm'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:

OFFICIAL:

THOMAS E. MINI

LTC, AGC Adjutant General

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