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II - VIETNAMESE CROSS OF GALLANTRY WITH PALM.

- 1. The award of the Vietnamese Cross of Gallantry with Palm by the Republic of Vietnam to units of the United States Army listed below is confirmed.
- 2. The Cross of Gallantry with Palm has been awarded by the Government of the Republic of Vietnam for outstanding service during the periods indicated to:

THE 4TH INFANTRY DIVISION and its assigned and attached units:...

1st Battalion, 12th Infantry (for the period October 1966 to 28 July 1969)

The citation reads as follows:

The 4th Infantry Division has displayed high morale in the destruction of Communism, during the period October 1966 to 28 July 1969. Although experiencing great sacrifice in fighting under extremely difficult conditions, the soldiers of the 4th Infantry Division fought daringly in stopping Communist infiltration in the central highlands of the II Corps Tactical Area. The 4th Infantry Division distinguished itself by organizing many major operations in the central highlands such as "Sam Houston" "Francis Marion." Parallel to military activities, units of the 4th Infantry Division also participated in civic actions. These actions included construction of homes and schools, distribution of gifts, examination of patients, and distribution of medicine as well as the instruction of the local populace in preventive medicine. Its actions increased the friendly relations between the United States' fighting men and the local population. The remarkable proficiency and devotion to duty displayed by the members of the 4th Infantry Division were in keeping with the highest traditions of the Armed Forces of the United States.

By Order of the Secretary of the Army:

W. C. WESTMORELAND, General, United States Army, Chief of Staff.

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