

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY

HEADQUARTERS, U.S. ARMY SUPPORT COMMAND, SAIGON APO SAN FRANCISCO 96491

AVCA SGN CG

2.4 MAY 1970

SUBJECT: Recommendation for Meritorious Unit Commendation

Commanding General US Army Vietnam ATTN: AVHAG-PD APO 96375

- 1. Under the provisions of USARV Regulation 672-3, the 64th Quartermaster Battalion (Petroleum Operating) is recommended for the Meritorious Unit Commendation (First Oak Leaf Cluster) for meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services in the Republic of Vietnam during the period 1 September 1968 through 28 February 1970. Attached units are recommended for the Meritorious Unit Commendation for the periods listed at Inclosure 7.
- 2. The 64th Quartermaster Battalion (Petroleum Operating) provided all Class III general support for III Corps Tactical Zone and part of IV Corps Tactical Zone from supply points at Long Binh and Tan Son Naut. In addition, the battalion provided line haul of bulk fuel and packaged product for units in the III Corps Tactical Zone from its Long Binh Class III Depot. A list of supported units is attached at Inclosure 8. During the period, the battalion also operated three pipelines from three bulk fuel barge discharge points on the Dong Nai River to the Long Binh Tank Farm, Tan Son Mut Air Force Base, and Bien Hoa Air Force Base. The battalion provided laboratory analysis of all products received and issued, plus analysis on all suspected contaminated product, and performed quality surveillence liaison visits with supported units to insure that product would not become contaminated at the receiving point. A list of analyses run and liaison trips made during the period by month is attached at Inclosure 6. In addition, the battalion prepared packaged and drummed product for air delivery throughout III and IV Corps Tactical Zones. The battalion also maintained a liaison team at Nha Be to coordinate with the commercial oil companies and for the last nine months of the reporting period, was tasked with the mission of verifying the quantity and quality of the military bulk fuel delivered by sea to the commercial companies at Mha Be. While performing these missions, the men of the 64th were also participating in many other activities. They, in competition with group sized units, won the Saigon Support Command Commanding General's Sports Participation and Achievement Trophy. They also found time to build

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a school in Saigon, hold parties for the orphans living in the orphanage that the battalion sponsors and other civic action projects. The troops supporting the mission personnel were not idle; the battalion won the Saigon Support Command Best Mess award five months out of the first six months it was presented and the 53d General Support Group Best Mess Award each time it has been presented. Also during the period, the men of the 64th, tasked with the perimeter security of both the cantonment area and the Long Binh POL Class III Depot and Tank Farm, responded magnificently during the Viet Cong Post Tet Offensive of 1969 by repelling a sapper attack on the battalion perimeter and efficiently and effectively clearing the Tank Farm and Package Yard of enemy infiltrators. On 9 October 1969, the 64th Quartermaster Battalion's mission was increased due to the addition of the 13th Quartermaster Platoon (Terminal Operating) and the 223d Mobile Laboratory. Along with those acquisitions, the 64th became responsible for the POL mission in the Vung Tau Sub Area Command and the delta region. Whether driving a truck, pumping fuel, issuing package product or performing the myriad other duties they are required to do. the men of the 64th Quartermaster Battalion have contributed immeasurably to the success attained by the Free World Forces in the Republic of Vietnam.

- 3. The following supporting documents are attached as inclosures:
 - a. Incl 1 Task List, 2 pages.
 - b. Incl 2 Package Petroleum Support, 1 page.
 - c. Incl 3 Petroleum Support by Line Haul Operation, 2 pages.
 - d. Incl 4 Mileage driven compared to accidents per 1,000,000 miles.
 - e. Incl 5 Fuel pumped by pipeline, 1 page.
 - f. Incl 6 Number of Analysis and Liaison Trips, 1 page.
 - g. Incl 7 Assigned and Attached Units, 1 page.
 - h. Incl 8 Units Supported, 1 page.
 - i. Incl 9 Record of Courts-Martial, 1 page.
 - j. Incl 10 Record of Punishment under Article 15, 1 page.
 - k. Incl 11 Record of Absence Without Leave in Relation to Unit Strength.
 - 1. Incl 12 thru 21 Letters of Commendation, 1 page each.

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m. Incl 22 - Proposed Citation, 2 pages.

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H. B. GIBSON, JR. Colonel, OrdC Commanding AVHAG-PD (12 Aug 70) 1st Ind
SUBJECT: Recommendation for Meritorious Unit Commendation
HEADQUARTERS, UNITED STATES ARMY VIETNAM, APO 96375 27NOV 1970
TO: Commander, United States Military Assistance Command, Vietnam,
ATTN: MACAG-PD, APO 96222

1. The Deputy Commanding General, USARV, proposes to approve the award of the Meritorious Unit Commendation (IOLG) to HHD, 64th Quar-

2. The recommendation is forwarded for comments and recommendations in accordance with paragraph 5g, AR 672-5-1.

3. Return of this recommendation for final action in accordance with paragraph 203e(2), AR 672-5-1 by COB 1 January 1971 would be appreciated.

FOR THE COMMANDER:

termaster Battalion and its attached units.

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Colonel, AGC

Deputy Adjutant General

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
Headquarters, 64th Quartermaster Battalion (Petroleum Operating)
APO 96491

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TASK LIST

- 1. The 64th Quartermaster Battalion provides the fuel used by four combat divisions and one Armored Cavalry Regiment, in III and IV Corps Tactical Zones as well as all fuel used by the direct and general support units supporting these units. In addition, the battalion supplies fuel to the Navy, the Air Force and other units. Attached as inclosure 3 are line haul statistics for the period. Most of the line haul is performed over the worst possible road conditions, choked with dust in the dry season and clogged with mud in the monsoons, through territory which is primarily enemy controlled and with the risk of ambush and mines ever present. The more than 7,078,182 miles logged by the battalion's drivers engaged in line haul while hauling over approximately 200 Million gallons of vitally needed bulk fuel was accomplished while continuously plagued by critical personnel shortages in the transportation companies and the necessity of training nearly all assigned drivers to operate the tractors and 500-gallon semi-trailer. The outstanding work performed by the maintainance personnel in insuring that the deadline rate for vehicles remained exceptionally low in view of the extremely hazardous road condition, thus insuring that no unit ever went without fuel for lack of vehicles to transport it. In addition, one platoon was detatched from the battalion to Thu Duc, RVN during the 1969 TET Holidays, and for eight weeks afterwards, to insure POL deliveries to the Saigon area in the event Long Binh was unable to supply the capitol in case the road bridges were destroyed. Due to the post Tet offensive, plus the threatened and actual strikes by drivers of the commercial petroleu companies, this platoon insured that the Capital Military District was never without bulk fuel needed to carry out operation. Throughout the period, enemy action against the POL tankers was an ever present danger and when in combat, the men of the 64th earned praise for their professional actions. Attached as Inclosure 11 is a message from Major General Williamson, then Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, attesting to the abilities of the drivers of the 64th. This professional attitude resulted in only 18 casualties (2KIA and 16 WIA) throughout the period from many well planned and well executed enemy ambushes. In addition, the battalion drivers, tasked to the limit by personnel shortages, poor reads, long hours, and the pressures of conforming to proper convoy procedures of speed and interval, still were able to attain enviable safety record, attaining no more than 1.9 reportable, recordable accidents per 100,000 miles and usually much less. Statistics are attached as inclosure 4.
- 2. The Long Binh Class III package yard and the Tan Son Nhut Class III package Yard, handling 222 line items were operational for the entire period. Besides handling all receipts and issues and insuring that only authorized customers received package and drum product, the stock control section established and maintained an extremely accurate and efficient control system to insure that the utmost accuracy was maintained. The Long Binh Class III yard issued an average of 35995 short tons and received an average of 4443.9 short tons per month, although one attached POL platoon was returned to its parent unit in the beginning of July, 1969.

- 3. The battalion operated throughout the period over 20 miles of pipeline, delivering fuel from military barges to the Air Force at Tan Son Nhut, and Bien Boa and the Long Binh Tank Farm, an 86,000 berrel capacity bulk fuel storage and issue facility operated by the battalion. Regardless of weather, enemy threats or accidents, any time, day or night, the men of the 64th would pump from the barges to insure an adequate supply of fuel to the Air Force and the Tank Farm. The pipeline to the Vinnel Corporation Electrical Fower Plant, which generates power for all of the huge Long Binh Fost, was maintained by the men of the 64th so well that Vinnel never had to stop operating or cut power for lack of fuel. Even though the pipeline ran through territory considered enemy held druing darkness; any leak would be repaired immediately upon discovery, day or night, to save as much of the valuable fuel as possible. Pipeline thurput statistics are inclosed as inclosure 5.

 4. The battalion also provided a Call Forward Officer and his staff to call forward military product from the commercial oil companies at Nha Be for the
- 4. The battalion also provided a Call Forward Officer and his staff to call forward military product from the commercial oil companies at Nha Be for the delivery to military customers and to verify the amount actually delivered. To assist in this, the battalion maintains a liaison team at Nha Be to coordinate the shipment of these products and to coordinate the movement of bulk fuel by military barges to the discharge points at the Dong Nai River.
- 5. Other missions of the 64th Quartermaster Battalion include:
 - a. Providing advice and assistance to supported units and allocating resources necessary to support tactical operations.
 - b. Providing laboratory analysis and quality surveilliance of military bulk and package product.
 - c. Verifying the quality and quantity of military bulk fuel discharge into commercial tanks at Nha Be.
 - d. Providing storage and issue of bulk product and package product to the Vung Tau and Delta Region.

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CHRIS W. STEVENS LTC, QMC

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DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY Headquarters, 64th Quartermaster Battalion (Petroleum Operating) APO San Frnacisco 96491

PACKAGE PETROLEUM SUPPORT

The following figures represent the quantity of package petroleum products handled by this bettalion during the period November 1968 through January 1970. All quantities are in short tons.

Quarterly Reporting Periods	Short Tons
November, December 1968 and January 1969	14,857
February, March, April 1969	12,923
May, June, July 1969	21,565.9
August, September, October 1969	*13,560.3
November, December 1969 to January 1970	**16,503.4

^{*} Vung Tau included for months of September and October.

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^{***} Vung Tau included for three month period.

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Headquarters; 64th Quartermaster Eattalion (Petroleum Operating)
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Petroleum Support by Line Haul Operation

The following figures represent line heul bulk petroleum support to the organizations listed during the period September 1968 through February 1970. All quanties are in gallons.

lst DIV 9th DIV 25th DIV lst CAV llth ACR CLASS III PHAM LOI NAVY AIR FORCE OTHER Total;	September 1968- 1,987,000 745,000 4,263,000 895,000 1,330,000 1,330,000 1,100,000 10,320,000	October 1968 2,258,000 590,000 3,250,000 74,5,000 1,075,000 55,000	November 1968 1,515,000 695,000 4,070,000 2,565,000 395,000
1st DIV 9th DIV 25th DIV 1st CAV 1lth ACR CLASS III PHOU LOI NAVY AIR FORCE Other TOTAL	December 1968 1,465,000 510,000 3,255,000 2,232,500 315,000 40,000 635,000 8,452,500	January 1969 1,800,000 470,000 3,070,000 3,025,000 325,000 720,000 9,451,000	Feburary 1969 1,880,000 590,000 3,435,000 2,550,000 475,000
1st Div 9th Div 25th Div 1st Cev 1th Cav CLASS III PHOULIOI NAVY AIR FORCE OTHER TOTAL	March 1969 2,225,000 520,000 3,515,000 2,165,000 30,000 230,000 245,000 9,305,000	April 1969 2,755,000 770,000 3,995,000 2,630,000 430,000 	May 1969 2,815,000 430,000 3,685,000 3,330,000 650,000 25,000 10,000 297,500 345,000 11,387,000

1st DIV 9th DIV 25th DIV 1st CAV 1th ACR CLASS III	June 1969 2,975,000 570,000 4,260,000 2,860,000 900,000	July 1969 2,777,500 895,000 4,580,000 3,231,000 732,500	August 1969 1,698,000 1,000,000 4,750,000 3,740,000 750,000
PHOU LOI NAVY AIR FORCE OTHER TOTAL	115,000 205,000 390,000 12,275,000	180,000 160,000 335,000 275,000 13,186,000	925,000 215,000 425,000 225,000 13,848,000
1st DIV 9th DIV 25th DIV 1st CAV 1th ACR CLASS III PHOU LOI NAVY AIR FORCE OTHER	September 1969 2,375,000 969,000 4,670,000 3,715,000 1,029,000 190,000 405,000 970,000	0ctober 1969 2,710,000 755,000 4,275,000 3,330,000 995,000 315,000 430,000 640,000	November 1969 2,390,000 850,000 5,200,000 3,690,000 1,150,000 555,000 1,155,000 1,465,000
1st DIV 9th DIV 25th DIV 1st CAV 1st CAV 11th ACR CLASS III PHOU LOI NAVY AIR FORCE OTHER TOTAL	December 1969 2,139,000 690,000 3,955,000 3,900,000 915,000 600,000 520,000 940,000 13,480,000	January 1970 2,260,000 725,000 4,600,000 3,855,000	Frbruary 1970 2,140,000 .690.000 5,010,000 3,990,000 1,209,000 .270;000 1,145,000 1,080,000 15,330,000

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MILEAGE

The following figures represent the miles driven and number of accidents per 100,000 miles during the period 1 September 1968 thru 28 February 1970.

DATE	MILES	ACCIDENTS/100,000 miles
September 1968	358,542	3.6
October 1968	308,642	3.7
November 1968	441,714	2.0
December 1968	360,472	1.9
January 1969	298,392	2.63
February 1969	543,786	1.6
April 1969	389,299	1.5
May 1969	446,829	1.8
June 1969	435,371	2.4
July 1969	442,011	2.7
August 1969	359,040	1.1
September 1969	363,712	1.1
October 1969	372.352	1.3
November 1969	390,653	1.5
December 1969	405,603	1.5
January 1970	445,375	1.4
February 1970	415,131	1.9
TOTAL 7	,078,382	1.9 Average

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FUEL PUMPED BY PIPELINE

DATE	DONG NAI	TAN SON NHUT	BIEN HOA
SEPTEMBER	13,558576	7,526,658	6,616,590
OCTOBER	15,759,800	10,261,800	7,134,100
NOVEMBER	13,732,867	8,853,112	5,895,719
DECEMBER	13,383,433	8,429,136	6,229,832
JANUARY	15,343,131	9,757,289	6,638,283
FEBRUARY	14, 354,000	11,017,932	6,622,500
MARCH	14,717,582	7,716,257	5,666,852
APRIL	16,624,650	10,408,770	5,285,120
YAM	16,583,425	9,977,564	6,364,884
JUNE	17,243,075	9,689,789	5,025,135
JULY	18,322,133	7,532,289	5,359,550
AUGUST	18,222,956	8,207,129	5,881,680
SEPTEMBER	16,678,281	7,107,569	5,870,449
OCTOBER	18,041,163	7,041,471	4,308,866
NOVEMBER	18,658,336	7,757,518	4,862,099
DECEMBER	16,682,644	7,314,136	4,552,094
JANUARY	19,645,592	9,131,119	5,049,262
FLBUARY	18,430,560	5,376,521	10,584,449

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LAB STATISTICS

MONTH	SAMPLES	LIAISON TRIPS
SEPT 68	699	16
OCT 68	789	28
NOV 68	-1096	23
DEC 68	603	28
JAN 69	732	23
FEB 69	636	20
MAR 69	873	25
APR 69	872	24
MAY 69	998	18
JUN 69	961	14
JUL 69	993	16
AUG 69	834	28
SEPT 69	498	17
OCT 69	523	11
NOV 69	654	11
DEC 69	793	13
Jan 70	700	13
FEB 70	713	_13
TOTAL	13,967	341

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DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY Headquarters 64th Quartermaster Battalion (Petroleum Operating) APO 96491

ASSIGNED UNITS

Part I. Units assigned and recommended for award of the Meritorious Unit Commendation.

Unit Period Previous US Unit Awards
1 SEP 68 - 28 Feb 70 Meritorious Unit Commendation Headquarters Detachment 64th Quartermaster Battalion 15 APR 66-31 AUG 68 (Petroleum Operating)

Part II. Units attached and recommended for award of the Meritorious Unit Commendation.

Unit Previous US Unit Awards Period POL Plt 223rd S&S Co DS 1 SEP 68 - 28 FEB 70 Meritorious Unit Commendation 556th Trans Co 1 SEP 68 - 28 FEB 70 Meritorious Unit Commendation (Med Trk) (Petrl) Meritorious Unit Commendation (First Oak Leaf Cluster) Meritorious Unit Commendation (Second Oak Leaf Cluster) 538th Trans Co 1 SEP 68 - 28 FEB 70 Meritorious Unit Commendation (Med Trk) (Petrl) POL Lab (Mobile) 15 SEP 69 - 16 FEB 70 Meritorious Unit Commendation 223rd S&S Co DS 47th Trans Co 1 SEP 68 - 28 Feb 70 Presidential Unit Citation (Med Trk) (Petrl) MUC - KORGA MUC (10LC) - 15 APR 66-31 AUG 68 512th QM Co (Petrl) 1 SEP 68 - 28 FEB 70 Meritorious Unit Commendation Moritorious Unit Commondation (First Oak Loaf Cluster) POL Base Lab 1 SEP 68 - 28 FEB 70 Meritorious Unit Commendation 525th QM Co (Petrl Depot) 14th QM Plt 1 SEP 68 - 28 FEB 70 None (Term Op)

Part III. Unit assigned but not recommended for award of the Meritorious Unit Commendation. NONE

Part IV. Units attached but not recommended for award of the Meritorious Unit Commendation.

Unit 13th QM Plt(Petr on) POL Lab (Mobile) 223rd S&S Co DS

Previous US Unit Decorations 9 OCT 69 - 16 FEB 70 NONE 15 SEP 69 - 16 FEB 70 Meritourious Unit Commendation

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DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY Headquarters, 64th Quartermaster Battalion (Petroleum Operating) APO 96491 UNITS SUPPORTED

MACV (Advisory Teams) MACV SOG II Field Force 7th Air Force Australian Forces Royal Thai Forces 1st Log Command Capitol Military Assistance Command Saigon Support Command 1st Cavalry Dividion 1st Infantry Dividion 9th Infantry Division 25th Infantry Division Combined Studies Division, MACV 11th Armored Cavalry Regiment 17th Cavalry Regiment 1st Signal Brigade 3rd Brigade, 82nd Infantry Division 18th Military Police Brigade 20th Engineer Brigade 199th Infantry Brigade 4th PYSOP Group 5th Special Forces Group 12th Combat Aviation Group 29th General Support Group 34th General Support Group 48th Transportation Group 53rd General Support Group 54th Artillery Group 89th Military Police Group 159th Engineer Group 164th Aviation Group 507th Transportation Group 509th Radio and Research Group 519th Military Intelligence Group 525th Military Intelligence Group Headquarters MACV Command Group Naval Transport Group (Republic of Korean Forces) 1st Field Artillery Battalion

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LTC, QMC Commanding DEPARTMENT OF THE AFMY
Headquarters, 64th Quartermaster Battalion (Petroleum Operating)
APO 96491

RECORD OF COURTS MARTIAL

MONTH	STRENGTH	CASES	PERCENT
MONTH Sep 68 Oct 68 Nov 68 Dec 68 Jan 69 Feb 69 Mar 69 Apr 69 May 69	902 810 823 795 909 912 885 798 810	47 75 66 32 11	0.4% 0.9% 0.6% 0.6% 0.3% 0.2% 0.1% 0.1%
Jun 69 Jul 69 Aug 69 Sep 69 Oct 69 Nov 69 Dec 69 Jan 70 Feb 70	784 751 724 688 746 799 769 778 882	0 1 3 0 1 2 1 3	0.1% 0.1% 0.4% 0 0.1% 0.2% 0.1% 0.3%

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LTC, QMC Commending

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY Headquarters, 64th Quartermaster Battalion (Petroleum Operating) APO 96491

PUNISHMENTS UNDER ARTICLE 15

MONTH	STRENGTH	CASES	PERCENT
Sep 68	902	18	2.0%
Oct 68	810	22	2.7%
Nov 68	823	22	2.7%
Dec 68	795	27	3.4%
Jan 69	909	19	2.0%
Feb 69	912	24	2.6%
Mar 69	885	24	2.7%
Apr 69	798	28	3.5%
May 69	810	15	1.9%
Jun 69	784	28	3.6%
Jul 69	951	37	5.0%
Aug 69	724	10	1.4%
Sep 69	688	12	1.7%
Oct 69	746	27	3.6%
Nov 69	799	29	3.6%
Dec 69	769	25	3.2%
Jan 70	778	21	2.6%
Feb 70	882	22	2.4%

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CHRIS W. STEVENS LTC, QMC Commanding DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY Headquarters, 64th Quartermaster Battalion (Petroleum Operating) APO 96491

RECORD OF ABSCENCE WITHOUT LEAVE IN RELATION TO UNIT STRENGTH

MONTH	STRENGTH -	CASES	PERCENT
Sep 68	902	1	0.1%
Oct 68	810	0	0 %
Nov 63	823	0	0
Dec 68	795	1	0.1%
Jan 69	909	2	0.2%
Feb 69	91.2	1	0.1%
Mar 69	885 .	2	0.2%
Apr 69	798	2	0.2%
May 69	81.0	2 3	0.3%
Jun 69	784	2 0	0.2%
Jul. 69	751	0	0
Aug 69	724	2	0.2%
Sep 69	688	5	0.7%
Oct 69	746	2	0.2%
Nov 69	799	2	0.2%
Dec 69	769	1	0.1%
Jan 70	778	1	0.1%
Feb 70	882	0	0

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CHRIS W. STEVENS
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DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY 25TH INFANTRY DIVISION APO 96225

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16 November 1968

SUBJECT: Letter of Commendation

THRU:

Commanding General 1st Logistical Command APO 96384

Commanding General Saigon Support Command APO 96491

LTC Don A. Wilkinson, 063819 HHC, 64th Quartermaster Battalion APO 96491

- 1. On the occasion of your departure from the command I wish to take this opportunity to express my appreciation for the outstanding duty performance rendered by your battalion in support of the 25th Infantry Division.
- 2. The timely and responsive Class III support provided by the 64th Quartermaster Battalion was a key factor in maintaining the Logistical posture of the division. During the TET Offensive in February and the Counter Offensive in May your battalion continued to support the 25th Division despite significant enemy activity along the MSR. By augmenting division tankers in support of Duc Hoa and providing fuel on a thru put basis from Long Binh to Dau Tieng, the inherent problems of fuel resupply at these forward bases was minimized.
- 3. Sustained operations conducted with a high degree of professionalism reflect well upon your ability as a commander. Accept my sincere appreciation for a job well done and I wish you continued success in your next assignment.

"A TRUE COPY"

CHRIS W. STEVENS

LTC, QMC

/s/Ellis W. Williamson /t/ELLIS W. MILLIAMSON Major General, USA Commanding

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DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY Headquarters, U.S. Army Support Command, Saigon Office of the Commanding General APO 96491 AVCA SGN CG 2 Dec 1968 SUBJECT: Letter of Commendation Commanding Officer 64th Quartermaster Battalion APO 96491 1. I am in receipt of a letter of commendation from Major General Ellis W. Williamson, Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, commending the 64th Quartermaster Battalion for the outstanding support rendered to the 25th Infantry Division. An indorsement to the letter has been added by Major General Joseph M. Heiser, Commanding General, 1st Logistical Command. 2. The officers and men of the 64th Quartermaster Battalion who earned the praise expressed in the letter from the 25th Infantry Division are to be commended. Copies of the letter and indorsement are forwarded to you for information. 3. Congratulations to all for a job well done. "A TRUE COPY" /s/Arthur Hurow CHRIS W. STEVENS /t/ARTHUR HUROW LTC, QMC Rrigadier General, USA Commanding

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY Heaquarters, U.S. Army Support Command, Saigon APO 96491 AVCA SGN CS 17 Feb 69 SUBJECT: Commander's Letter Commanding Officer 64th Quartermaster Battalion (PO) APO 96491 The Commanding General has noted with pleasure that you are preparing letters for distribution to the families of members of your command. At his direction, I have distributed copies of your most recent such letter to the other major subordinate commanders of this command, with the suggestion that they consider sending a similar letter. The Commanding General wishes to express his appreciation to you for this effort toward improving relations between the US Army and the civilian community. "A TRUE COPY" /s/Frank B. Case /t/FRANK B. CASE CHRIS W. STEVENS Colonel, GS LTC! QMC Chief of Staff

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY Headquarters, 1st Logistical Command APO 96491 18 May 1969 AVCA-IG SUBJECT: Letter of Commendation THRU: Commanding General US Army Support Command, Saigon

APO 96491

Commanding Officer

53d General Support Group

AFO 96491

TO:

Commanding Officer

64th Quartermaster Battalica (Fetroleum Operating)

APO 96491

- 1. I take this opportunity to commend the officers, noncommissioned officers, and men of the 64th Quartermaster Battalion for their dedication and professional competence in the performance of their duties during the Annual General Inspection of the 512th Quartermaster Company (Petroleum Operating), the 538th Transportation Company (Petroleum) and the Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment, 64th Currtermister Battalion conducted 22-24 April 1969 by the Inspector General, 1st Lagistical Command.
- 2. The fine results which the battalion achi eved would not have been possible without the individual contributions of each and every member of your command. You all have ample reasons to be proud of your accomplishments and your battalion.
- 3. We, better than anyone else, know too that much remains to be done and that further improvements must be made. I am confident the 64th Quartermaster Battalion will continue to face the challenges in the future, as they have in the past, and that the ultimate challenge in Vietnam will be met.

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CHRIS W. STEVENS

LTC, QMC

/a/Lloyd B. Rams y /t/LLOYD B. RAISEN Major General., USA

Acting Commentier

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DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY . Headquarters, U.S. Army Support Command, Saigon APO 96491 AVCA SGN CG

28 June 1969

SUBJECT: Leter of Congratulations

THRU:

Commanding Officer 53rd General Support Group APO 96491

TO:

Commanding Officer 64th Quartermaster Battalion APO 96491

- 1. I wish to extend my sincere congratulations on the admirable espirit de corps displayed by the officers and men of the 64th QM Battalion. Whether at work or on the athletic field, an immeasurable degree of pride and enthusiasm is exemplified by both the officers and the enlisted men.
- 2. The achievements, gained through determination and copperation, are an inspiration to all members of the command. Despite a large work-load your battalion has sustained an active athletic program. A program such as this is of inestimable value in maintaining the physical and mental well-being of the personnel of this command.
- 3. My congratulations to you and the men of the 64th Quartermaster Battalion for winning the Commanding General's Sports Participation and Achievement Trophy.

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CHRIS W. STEVENS

LTC, QMC

/s/Arthur Hurow /t/ARTHUR HUROW

Brigadier General, USA Commanding

AVCA SGN CG

8 April 1969

SUBJECT: Letter of Commendation

Commanding Officer 64th Quartermaster Battalion APO 96491

- 1. I would like to extend my congratulations to the 47th Transportation Company and the 512th Quartermaster Company for their outstanding achievement in winning the US Army Support Command, Saigon Best Mess Award for March 1969.
- 2. Their consolidated mess hall was selected as the Best Mess from over 56 mess halls competing for this award. This achievement is indicative of the high degree of professional knowledge and hard work exhibited by the mess personnel. The interest displayed on the part of all concerned has been instrumental in providing an outstanding, attractive, and well managed mess facility, serving appetizing, well prepared food. This award is a reflection of the command interest and cooperation in providing for morale and welfare of the troops. The Mess Stweard, Sergeant First Class George J. Vardzik, is to be commended for an outstanding job.

"A TRUE COPY"

CHRIS W. STEVENS

LTC, QMC

/s/Arthur Hurow /t/ARTHUR HUROW

Brigadier General, USA

Commanding

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY Headquarters, U.S. Army Support Command, Saigon Office of the Commanding General APO 96491 AVCA SGN CG 3 June 1969 SUBJECT: Letter of Commendation THRU: Commanding Officer 53d General Support Group APO 96491 TO: Commanding Officer 64th Quartermaster Battalion APO 96491 1. I would like to extend my congratulations to the 47th Transportation Company and the 512th Quartermaster Company for their outstanding achievement in winning the US Army Support Command, Saigon Best Award for May 1969. 2. Thier consolidated mess hall was selected as the Best Mes from over 50 mess halls competing for this award. This achievement is indicative of the high degree of professional knowledge and hard work exhibited by the mess personnel. The interest displayed on the part of all concerned has been in: strucmental in providing ansoutstanding, attractive, and well managed mess facility, serving appetizing, well prepared food. This award is a reflection of the command interest and cooperation on providing for the morale and welfare of the troops. 3. This mess has been the winner of the US Army Support Command, Saigon Best Mess Award two times since it was initiated in March 1969. This is indivative of the outstanding job performance and leadership displayed by Mess Steward, Sergeant First Class George J. Vardzik. All mess personnel under his supervision are to be commended for an outstanding job. "A TRUE COPY" /s/Arthur Hurow /t/ARTHUR HUROW Brigadier General, USA CHRIS W. STEVENS Commanding LTC, QMC Incl 17

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY Headquarters, 1st Logistical Commend APO 96491

AVCA GO-T

1 Oct 1969

SUBJECT: Letter of Appreciation

THRU:

Commanding Officer

US Army Support Command, Saigon

APO 96491

TO:

Commanding Officer

64th Quartermaster Battalion

APO 96491

- 1. On behalf of the commanding General, 1st Logistical Command, I wish to express appreciation to the personnel of the 64th Quartermaster Battalion responsible for the briefing and tour presented on 25 September 1969.
- Although arranged upon extremely short notice, the briefing and tour proved particularly interesting and rewarding to the key logistical personnel attending the SKILLS I Orientation.
- 3. Please express my sincere appreciation to Major Norman, Captain Bayer, and those others responsible for a job especially well done.

FOR THE COMMANDER:

"A TRUE COPY"

CHRIS W. STEVENS

LTC, QMC

/s/H.D. Smith /t/H.D. SMITH Colonel, GS Chief of Staff

Chief of

AVCA SGN CS (1 Oct 69) 1st Ind SUBJECT: Letter of Appreciation HA, US Army Support Command, Saigon, APO 96491 TO: Commanding Officer, 64th Quartermaster Battalion, APO 96491 1. It is my sincere pleasure to forward to you the complimentary remarks of Colonel H. D. Smith, Chief of Staff, 1st Logistical Command. The professionalism displayed by the personnel of the 64th Quartermaster Battalion during the recent briefing and tour conducted for individuals attending the SKILLS I Orientation is indicative of exceptional competence and devotion to duty. 2. Please express my appreciation to Major Norman, Captain Bayer and all others who contributed for a job well done. FOR THE COMMANDER: /s/Ernest A. Hinojosa Jr. /t/ERNEST A. HINOJOSA, JR. "A TRUE COPY" Colonel, GS Chief of Staff CHRIS W. STEVENS LTC. QMC

10 March 1970 AVCA SGN CG SUBJECT: Commendation on Unit's Organization Day Commanding Officer 64th Quartermaster Battalion (Petroleum Operating) APO 96491 1. On 15 April 1966, the 64th Quartermaster Battalion, Petroleum Operating, was assigned to US Army Support Command, Saigon, and began four years of distinguished service in the Republic of Vietnam. On this Organization Day, as your unit looks back upon its accomplishments, it can take great pride in its remarkable record of service. 2. The war in Vietnam has placed unusual burdens upon logisticians, and combat service support units have had to be imaginative and resourceful in order to accomplish their missions. The 64th Quartermaster Battalion has been one of the most imaginative units in this command. "Petro Main", the model of a military organization, has combined expertise with esprit de corps in a unique blend. It has added another memorable chapter to a history that began on the beaches of Normandy. 3. Congratulations on four years of outstanding service. Your unit has played a vital role in the logistical effort in Vietnam. "A TRUE COPY" /s/H.B. Gibson Jr /t/H.B. GIBSON JR Colonel, OrdC Commandi ng CHRIS W. STEVENS LTC. QMC

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
HEADQUARTERS, 64TH QUARTERMASTER BATTALION (PETROLEUM OPERATING)
APO 96491

PROPOSED CITATION

BY DIRECTION OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY, UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF PARAGRAPH 203, AR 672-5-1, THE MERITORIOUS UNIT COMMENDATION IS AWARDED TO THE 64TH QUARTERWASTER BATTALION (PETROLEUM OPERATING) AND ATTACHED UNITS:

PETROLEUM PLATOON, 223D SUPPLY AND SERVICE COMPANY (DIRECT SUPPORT)

556TH TRANSPORTATION COMPANY (MEDIUM TRUCK) (PETROLEUM)

538TH TRANSPORTATION COMPANY (MEDIUM TRUCK) (PETROLEUM)

PETROLEUM LABORATORY (MOBILE) 223D SUPPLY AND SERVICE COMPANY

(DIRECT SUPPORT)

47TH TRANSPORTATION COMPANY (MEDIUM TRUCK) (PETROLEUM)
512TH QUARTERMASTER COMPANY (PETROLEUM)
PETROLEUM BASE LABORATORY, 525TH QUARTERMASTER COMPANY

14TH QUARTERMASTER PLATOON (TERMINAL OPERATING)

13TH QUARTERMASTER PLATOON (PETROLEUM OPERATING)

(PETROLEUM DEPOT)

FOR EXCEPTIONALLY MERITORIOUS ACHIEVEMENT IN THE PERFORMANCE OF OUTSTANDING SERVICE: THE 64TH QUARTERMASTER BATTALION (PETROLEUM OPERATING) AND ITS ATTACHED UNITS DISTINGUISHED THEMSELVES IN SUPPORT OF MILITARY OPERATION IN THE REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM DURING THE PERIOD 1 SEPTEMBER 1968 TO 28 FEBRUARY 1970. THE MEMBERS OF THE BATTALION DEMONSTRATED EXCEPTIONAL DEDICATION AND PROFESSIONAL COMPETENCE IN PERFORMING THEIR DYNAMIC PETROLEUM SUPPORT TO FREE WORLD FORCES IN THE III CORPS TACTICAL ZONE: DURING THIS PERIOD THE BATTALION DELIVERED MORE THAN 215 MILLON GALLONS OF BULK FUEL IN TANK TRUCKS AND DROVE MORE THAN 7,078,182 MILES UNDER HAZARDOUS TACTICAL CONDITIONS TO SUPPORT SUCH MAJOR UNITS AS THE 25TH INF DIV, 11TH ACR, 1st INF DIV AND THE 1st AIR CAV.

IN ADDITION THE BATTALION'S BINH LOI-TAN SON NHUT PIPELINE SUPPLIED MORE THAN
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DISPLAYED BY MEMBERS OF THE 64TH QUARTERMASTER (PETROLUEM OPERATING) AND ITS
ATTACHED UNITS WERE IN KEEPING WITH THE HIGHEST TRADITIONS OF THE MILITARY
SERVICE AND REFLECT DISTINCT CREDIT UPON THEMSELVES AND THE UNITED STATES
ARMY.

Chris W. Stevens LTC, QMC Commanding MACAG-PD (12 Aug 70) 2d Ind SUBJECT: Recommendation for Meritorious Unit Commendation

HEADQUARTERS, UNITED STATES MILITARY ASSISTANCE COMMAND, VIETNAM, APO 96222 20 DEC 1970

TO: Deputy Commanding General, United States Army, Vietnam, ATTN: AVHAG-PD, APO 96375

- 1. Recommend approval.
- Request this headquarters (ATTN: MACAG-PD) be advised when final action has been taken.

FOR THE COMMANDER:

22 Incl ne W. A. RUTLEDGE Colonel, USA Adjutant General