

114. THE 720TH MILITARY POLICE BATTALION and attached unit:

615th Military Police Company

For exceptionally meritorious achievement in the performance of outstanding service: The 720TH MILITARY POLICE BATTALION, and attached unit distinguished themselves in support of military operations in the Republic of Vietnam during the period 19 October 1966 to 31 May 1967. Upon arrival in Vietnam, the unit was assigned to Long Binh Post with the dual mission of providing security for the Long Binh ammunition supply depot and maintaining law enforcement throughout the III Corps tactical zone. Operating from a base camp in a relatively insecure area and with limited resources, this unit displayed the utmost in efficiency and competence in providing the prompt establishment of law enforcement, road and convoy security and prisoner escort throughout their vast area of assignment. Displaying exemplary initiative and perseverance, the members of this unit selflessly worked around the clock to establish their own base of operations while continuously performing all assigned missions with unparalleled proficiency and tenacity. Notable among the achievements of the 720TH MILITARY POLICE BATTALION were the planning and supervision of the escort of two large United States Army units over eighty miles of enemy infiltrated territory to secure bases with no major losses to the three thousand vehicles and over

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twelve thousand men. Concurrent with this operation, the members of this unit gained the highest acclaim for their continuously outstanding support of combat operations and local police actions throughout the III and IV Corps tactical zones. In addition to their tremendous workload, the members of the unit voluntarily contributed countless hours to the aid of local civilians through a highly comprehensive civic action program which greatly enhanced the living conditions of these villagers and contributed immeasurably to a good working relationship throughout the area. The remarkable proficiency and devotion to duty displayed by the members of the 720TH MILITARY POLICE BATTALION were in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service and reflect distinct credit upon themselves and the Armed Forces of the United States.