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AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR

1. TC 320. The following AWARD is announced.

MCCAFFREY, BARRY R. 0F101587 [REDACTED] **CAPTAIN INFANTRY**
United States Army Company B, 2d Battalion (Airmobile), 7th Cavalry

Awarded: Silver Star

Date action: 10 December 1968

Theater: Republic of Vietnam

Reason: For gallantry in action while engaged in military operations involving conflict with an armed hostile force in the Republic of Vietnam. Captain McCaffrey distinguished himself by exceptionally valorous action on 10 December 1968, while serving as Commanding Officer of Company B, 2d Battalion (Airmobile), 7th Cavalry during a reconnaissance in force mission. When his unit became heavily engaged with a large enemy force, Captain McCaffrey exposed himself to the intense hostile fire as he maneuvered his men to the flank of the enemy. At this time two well concealed insurgents began throwing hand grenades at his unit. After locating the enemy soldiers, Captain McCaffrey charged forward and killed the two adversaries with his pistol. With complete disregard for his own safety, Captain McCaffrey then led an assault on the enemy emplacements forcing the hostile force to flee. His gallant action is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service, and reflects great credit upon himself, his unit and the United States Army.

Authority: By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress, approved 9 July 1918.

FOR THE COMMANDER:

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