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CIVIL ACTION HONOR MEDAL, FIRST CLASS -----

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1. The award of the Civil Action Honor Medal, First Class by the Republic of Vietnam to units of the United States Army listed below is confirmed.
2. The Civil Action Honor Medal, First Class has been awarded by the Government of the Republic of Vietnam for outstanding service during the periods indicated to:

4TH INFANTRY DIVISION and its assigned and attached units:1st Battalion, 12th Infantry (For the period 1 October 1966 through 31 October 1969)

The citation reads as follows:

The 4th Infantry Division as an outstanding fighting unit, with excellent soldiers, has always distinguished itself through exceptional spirit in civil affairs activities. During the 4 years of service in Vietnam from 1 October 1966 to 31 October 1969, in addition to its duties of providing military assistance to the Armed Forces of the Republic of Vietnam in its operations against the enemy, the 4th Infantry Division also constantly sought to overcome every difficulty in assisting the citizens of Vietnam and the regional officials in the field of civil actions projects. Among many other accomplishments, the 4th Infantry Division provided the people of Pleiku, Kontum, and Binh Dinh provinces with food, clothing, and medical equipment, as well as preparing and building schools, and settling the population in to the 12th and 19th "New Life" hamlets of the government. In addition, the 4th Infantry Division was instrumental in improving and developing "Miracle Rice" and the fruit-bearing tree programs in these areas. The successes of the 4th Infantry Division's efforts have contributed greatly in the "Rural Establishment and Pacification Project" of the government of the Republic of Vietnam and reflect distinct credit upon them and their government.

By Order of the Secretary of the Army:

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