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SECTION I

1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 2 July 1926 (Publ. 8, WD, 1926), and in accordance with authority delegated by the War Department, a DISTINGUISHED FLYING CROSS is awarded to the following-named officers of the IX Troop Carrier Command in recognition of heroism and extraordinary achievement while participating in aerial flight against the enemy on the nights of 5 and 6 June 1944, and during the daylight hours of 6 and 7 June 1944. During the initial phase of military operations in northern France, these officers served with unusual distinction as troop carrier serial leaders. The courage, skill, and technical proficiency displayed by these officers in their brilliant leadership of fleets of unarmed and unarmored troop carrier aircraft at minimum altitudes and air speeds, over water, through unfavorable weather conditions, and into the face of determined enemy opposition where no evasive action was possible, resulted in the effective and eminently successful dispatch of airborne troops and equipment upon critical pin-point objectives effectively to discharge missions of vital importance to the opening phase of military operations on the Continent. The outstanding devotion to service displayed by these officers in the execution of extremely hazardous duties of great responsibility reflects high credit upon themselves and upon the Armed Forces of the United States.

JOEL L. CROUCH, O-309751, Lieutenant Colonel, Headquarters, IX Troop Carrier Command. Entered military service from Riverside, California.

JULIAN M. CHAPPELL, O-18407, Colonel, Headquarters, 50th Troop Carrier Wing. Entered military service from Austin, Texas.

STANLEY G. HOYT, O-283839, Lieutenant Colonel, Headquarters, 61st Troop Carrier Group. Entered military service from San Antonio, Texas.

HOWARD M. BETTS, O-429751, Lieutenant Colonel, 53rd Troop Carrier Squadron, 61st Troop Carrier Group. Entered military service from Los Angeles, Calif.

PAUL D. MINOR, O-662158, Captain, 53rd Squadron, 61st Troop Carrier Group. Entered military service from Fresno, California.

WILLIAM A. FILER, O-23479, Lieutenant Colonel, Headquarters, 313th Troop Carrier Group. Entered military service from Indianapolis, Indiana.

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Par 1, Sec I, G.O. No. 179, Hq, Ninth Air Force, dated 14 July 1944, cont'd.

J. FRANK LUMSDEN, O-333158, Lieutenant Colonel, Headquarters, 313th Troop Carrier Group. Entered military service from San Antonio, Texas.

WILLIAM S. KIRKPATRICK, O-659136, Captain, 49th Squadron, 313th Troop Carrier Group. Entered military service from Norwich, Connecticut.

GLEN A. MYER, O-381232, Lieutenant Colonel, Headquarters, 314th Troop Carrier Group. Entered military service from Cupertino, California.

DWIGHT E. KROESCH, O-665052, First Lieutenant, 32nd Squadron, 314th Troop Carrier Group. Entered military service from Enterprise, Kansas.

GEORGE E. FALKNER, O-385392, Major, Headquarters, 314th Troop Carrier Group. Entered military service from Eugene, Oregon.

HAMMICH McCLELLAND, O-277360, Colonel, Headquarters, 315th Troop Carrier Group. Entered military service from Williamsport, Pennsylvania.

HARVEY A. BERGER, O-280628, Lieutenant Colonel, Headquarters, 316th Troop Carrier Group. Entered military service from Denver, Colorado.

WALTER R. WASHBURN, O-401273, Lieutenant Colonel, Headquarters, 316th Troop Carrier Group. Entered military service from Cleburne, Texas.

ALBERT F. FAHY, JR., O-789695, Major, Headquarters, 316th Troop Carrier Group. Entered military service from Rome, Georgia.

FLOYD D. MILES, O-662156, Captain, 37th Squadron, 316th Troop Carrier Group. Entered military service from Modesto, California.

WILLIAM B. WHITACRE, O-269987, Colonel, Headquarters, 434th Troop Carrier Group. Entered military service from Indianapolis, Indiana.

BEN A. GARLAND, O-403601, Lieutenant Colonel, Headquarters, 434th Troop Carrier Group. Entered military service from Waco, Texas.

STEPHEN R. PARKINSON, O-395579, Major, Headquarters, 434th Troop Carrier Group. Entered military service from Long Island, New York.

FRANK J. MAC NEES, O-390462, Colonel, Headquarters, 435th Troop Carrier Group. Entered military service from St. Paul, Minnesota.

JOHN H. NEALE, O-259271, Lieutenant Colonel, Headquarters, 435th Troop Carrier Group. Entered military service from Shawnee, Oklahoma.

RICHARD K. JACOBSON, O-790000, Captain, 78th Squadron, 435th Troop Carrier Group. Entered military service from Birmingham, Alabama.

ADRIEL N. WILLIAMS, O-22877, Lieutenant Colonel, Headquarters, 436th Troop Carrier Group. Entered military service from Shelbyville, Kentucky.

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Par 1, Sec I, G.O. No. 179, Hq, Ninth Air Force, dated 14 July 1944, cont'd.

WALTER M. BRIDGERS, O-399659, Lieutenant Colonel, Headquarters, 436th Troop Carrier Group. Entered military service from Rowland, North Carolina.

CEDRIC E. HUDGENS, O-22528, Colonel, Headquarters, 437th Troop Carrier Group. This award is made Posthumously. Next of Kin: Mrs. Mary Ruth Hudgens (Wife), P.O. Box 253, Homer, Louisiana.

DONALD J. FRENCH, O-22422, Lieutenant Colonel, Headquarters, 437th Troop Carrier Group. Entered military service from Astoria, Oregon.

JOHN M. DONALSON, O-176345, Lieutenant Colonel, Headquarters, 438th Troop Carrier Group. Entered military service from Birmingham, Alabama.

DAVID E. DANIEL, O-421894, Lieutenant Colonel, 87th Troop Carrier Squadron, 438th Troop Carrier Group. Entered military service from Birmingham, Alabama.

CLEMENT G. RICHARDSON, O-424677, Major, 89th Troop Carrier Squadron, 438th Troop Carrier Group. Entered military service from Salinas, California.

— CHARLES H. YOUNG, O-359798, Lieutenant Colonel, Headquarters, 439th Troop Carrier Group. Entered military service from Wellington, Kansas.

— HARRY N. TOWER, O-368945, Major, Headquarters, 439th Troop Carrier Group. Entered military service from West Medway, Massachusetts.

— WOODROW W. SNECK, O-732082, Captain, Headquarters, 439th Troop Carrier Group. Entered military service from Lancaster, Ohio.

— FRANK X. KREBS, O-378707, Lieutenant Colonel, Headquarters, 440th Troop Carrier Group. Entered military service from Salem, Ohio.

— THEODORE G. KERSHAW, O-239295, Lieutenant Colonel, Headquarters, 441st Troop Carrier Group. Entered military service from Menlo Park, California.

— WILLIAM H. PARKHILL, O-426421, Major, Headquarters, 441st Troop Carrier Group. Entered military service from Middletown, Pennsylvania.

— CHARLES M. SMITH, O-348866, Lieutenant Colonel, 442nd Troop Carrier Group. Entered military service from San Antonio, Texas.

SECTION II

1. By direction of the President, in addition to the Distinguished Flying Crosses awarded them in General Orders as indicated in sub-paragraphs, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 2 July 1926 (Bull. 8, WD, 1926), and in accordance with authority delegated by the War Department, a BRONZE OAK-LEAF CLUSTER is awarded to the following-named officers of the IX Troop Carrier Command in recognition of heroism and extraordinary achievement while participating in aerial flight against the enemy on the nights of 5 and 6 June 1944, and during the daylight hours of 6 and 7 June 1944. During the initial phase of military operations in northern France, these officers served with unusual distinction as troop carrier leaders. The courage, skill, and technical proficiency displayed by these officers in their brilliant

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leadership of fleets unarmed and unarmored troop carrier aircraft at minimum altitudes and air speeds, over water, through unfavorable weather conditions, and into the face of determined enemy opposition where no evasive action was possible, resulted in the effective and eminently successful dispatch of airborne troops and equipment upon critical point objectives effectively to discharge mission of vital importance to the opening phase of military operations on the Continent. The outstanding devotion to service displayed by these officers in the execution of extremely hazardous duties of great responsibility reflects high credit upon themselves and upon the Armed Forces of the United States.

First Oak Leaf Cluster

a. G.O. No. 146, Hq, NAAF, 25 July 1943.

WILLIS C. MITCHELL, O-307465, Colonel, Headquarters, 61st Troop Carrier Group. Entered military service from Longview, Texas.

QUINN M. CORLEY, O-279804, Lieutenant Colonel, Headquarters, 313th Troop Carrier Group. Entered military service from Dallas, Texas.

CLAYTON STILES, O-269341, Colonel, Headquarters, 314th Troop Carrier Group. Entered military service from Roslyn Heights, New York.

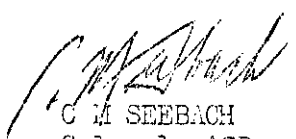
b. G.O. No. 4, Hq, NATONSA, 29 December 1943.

GEORGE B. QUISENBERRY, O-1703994, First Lieutenant, Headquarters, 316th Troop Carrier Group. Entered military service from Atlanta, Illinois.

By command of Lieutenant General BREBETON:

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