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AWARDS OF THE AIR MEDAL:

1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order, No. 9158, 11 May 1942 (Bull 25, WD, 1942), as amended by Executive Order, No. 9242-A, 11 September 1942 (Bull 49, WD, 1942), an Air Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, United States Army Forces in the South Pacific Area, to the following-named enlisted men for meritorious achievement while participating in sustained aerial flights on evacuation transport missions. These flights were performed in combat areas where there was a possibility of enemy interception. Their services reflect great credit on the military forces of the United States.

PHILIP D. CHICCARIELLO, (13108430), Private, Medical Department, United States Army, as surgical technician from 16 March to 28 May 1943. Home Address: Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

ALBERT F. KUNTZ, (13108476), Private, Medical Department, United States Army, as surgical technician from 15 March to 10 May 1943. Home Address: Slovoa, Pennsylvania.

WILBUR J. SILVERTHORN, (15020030), Private, Medical Department, United States Army, as surgical technician from 2 June to 29 July 1943. Home Address: Eufaula, Alabama.

2. By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order, No. 9158, 11 May 1942 (Bull 25, WD, 1942), as amended by Executive Order, No. 9242-A, 11 September 1942 (Bull 49, WD, 1942), an Air Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, United States Army Forces in the South Pacific Area, to the following-named officers and enlisted men for meritorious achievement while participating in sustained aerial flights on transport missions. These missions were of a hazardous nature involving over-water flights of long distance. Their services reflect great credit on the Army Air Forces.

HARRY J. SANDS, JR., (O-24143), Lieutenant Colonel, Air Corps, United States Army, as pilot from 28 July 1943 to 7 February 1944. Entered military service from Ohio.

JOHN P. SPAULDING, (O-729257), Captain, Air Corps, United States Army, as pilot from 6 August 1943 to 16 February 1944. Home Address: Des Moines, Iowa.

EDMOND K. SMITH, JR., (O-675834), First Lieutenant, Air Corps, United States Army, as pilot from 31 December 1943 to 26 February 1944. Home Address: Anderson, South Carolina.

FREDERICK S. CARLSON, (O-809655), Second Lieutenant, Air Corps, United States Army, as navigator from 1 November 1943 to 7 February 1944. Home Address: Titusville, Pennsylvania.

IRVEN R. LARSON, (O-732024), Second Lieutenant, Air Corps, United States Army, as pilot from 24 November 1943 to 9 February 1944. Home Address: Cloquet, Minnesota.

MEPLE O. MOEN, (O-800386), Second Lieutenant, Air Corps, United States Army, as pilot from 18 September 1943 to 18 January 1944. Home Address: Volga, South Dakota.

AWARDS OF THE AIR MEDAL (Contd):

JAMES N. OLIVEROS, (O-672397), Second Lieutenant, Air Corps, United States Army, as pilot from 2 December 1943 to 8 February 1944. Home Address: Houston, Texas.

JAMES V. SHERLOCK, (39171925), Sergeant, Air Corps, United States Army, as crew chief from 9 October 1943 to 14 February 1944. Home Address: Tokeland, Washington.

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RUSSELL L. PLYLER, (O-737356), First Lieutenant, Air Corps, United States Army, as pilot from 11 December 1943 to 28 January 1944. Home Address: San Jose, California.

LAWRENCE E. BURGET, (O-810243), Second Lieutenant, Air Corps, United States Army, as navigator from 1 November 1943 to 16 January 1944. Home Address: Grand Island, Nebraska.

RALPH J. FERRARO, (O-810219), Second Lieutenant, Air Corps, United States Army, as navigator from 31 October 1943 to 15 January 1944. Home Address: Wallingford, Connecticut.

JOHN E. KEATOR, (O-669481), Second Lieutenant, Air Corps, United States Army, as pilot from 24 November 1943 to 13 February 1944. Home Address: Cortland, New York.

JAMES F. MARTIN, (O-811542), Second Lieutenant, Air Corps, United States Army, as navigator from 1 November 1943 to 22 January 1944. Home Address: Berwyn, Illinois.

WINSTON A. PALINTER, (O-804969), Second Lieutenant, Air Corps, United States Army, as navigator from 18 August 1943 to 15 January 1944. Home Address: Grandview, Missouri.

EDWARD H. KESIERMAN, (35457659), Sergeant, Air Corps, United States Army, as crew chief from 20 October 1943 to 13 February 1944. Home Address: Cincinnati, Ohio.

JAMES G. MAYNARD, (34265608), Sergeant, Air Corps, United States Army, as crew chief from 19 September 1943 to 8 February 1944. Home Address: Ellenwood, Georgia.

By Command of Lieutenant General HARMON:

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