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## I. AWARDS OF THE DISTINGUISHED-FLYING CROSS (TO PERSONNEL MISSING IN ACTION):

By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 2 July 1926 (Bull 8, WD, 1926), a Distinguished-Flying Cross is awarded by the Commanding General, United States Army Forces in the South Pacific Area, to the following-named officer and enlisted man, missing in action:

CLYDE A. FRIEND, (0-662771), First Lieutenant, Air Corps, United States Army, Filot, for extraordinary achievement while participating, during the period of 18 October to 31 October 1943, in five heavy bomber strike sorties. All of these combat operational missions were of a hazardous nature during which enemy opposition was met, or during which an area was traversed where enemy anti-aircraft fire was effective or where enemy fighter patrols were habitually encountered. These flights make twenty-five of like nature in which he has participated. Previous recognition that Lieutenant Friend has received makes his record one for emulation; his accomplishments being a credit to himself and the Army Air Forces. Next of Kin: Mr. C. H. Friend, Father, Chouteau, Oklahoma.

JAIES I. BUCHANAN, (13047833), Staff Sergeant, Air Corps, United States Army, Aerial Radio Operator - Gunner, for extraordinary achievement while participating, during the period of 24 October to 2 November 1943, in five heavy bomber strike sorties. All of these combat operational missions were of a hazardous nature during which enemy opposition was met, or during which an area was traversed where enemy antiaircraft fire was effective or where enemy fighter patrols were habitually encountered. These flights make twenty-five of like nature in which he has participated. Previous recognition that Sergeant Buchanan has received makes his record one for emulation; his accomplishments being a credit to himself and the Army Air Forces. Next of Kin: Mrs. Della Buchanan, Nother, 1011 Second Avenue, Altoona, Fennsylvania.

## II. AWARDS OF THE DISTINGUISHED-FLYING CROSS:

1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 2 July 1926 (Bull 8, WD, 1926), a Distinguished-Flying Cross is awarded by the Commanding General, United States Army Forces in the South Pacific Area, to the following-named officers and enlisted men for extraordinary achievement while participating in aerial flights on transport missions. All of these flights were performed in combat areas where there was a possibility of enemy interception. Previous recognition that each has received makes his record one for emulation; his accomplishments being a credit to himself and the Army Air Forces.

NATHAN AMCIS, (0-804047), Second Lieutenant, Air Corps, United States Army, Navigator, for over 100 hours of operational air flights during the period of 16 August to 11 November 1943, making more than 400 hours of like nature in which he has participated. Home Address: 1230 Asturia Avenue, Coral Gables, Florida.

STANLEY F. PAGE, (0-744861), Second Lieutenant, Air Corps, United States Army, Navigator, for over 100 hours of operational air flights during the period of 10 September to 19 October 1943, making more than 300 hours of like nature in which he has participated. Home Address: 410-L Thirty-eighth Avenue South, Minneapolis, Minnesota.

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II. AWARDS OF THE DISTINGUISHED-FLYING CROSS (Contd):

JOHN W. WATKINS, (15057609), Technical Sergeant, Air Corps, United States Army, Aerial Engineer, for over 100 hours of operational air flights during the period of 29 July to 24 October 1943, making more than 300 hours of like nature in which he has participated. Home Address: 2240 East Fifth Street, Dayton, Ohio.

GEORGE A. KILZER, (17025155), Staff Sergeant, Air Corps, United States Army, Aerial Radio Operator, for over 100 hours of operational air flights during the period of 7 August to 16 October 1943, making more than 340 hours of like nature in which he has participated. Home Address: Richardton, North Dakota.

ROGER H. REDDICK, (18021027), Staff Sergeant, Air Corps, United States Army, Aerial Radio Operator, for over 100 hours of operational air flights during the period of 30 August to 20 October 1943, making more than 310 hours of like nature in which he has participated. Home Address: May, Texas.

2. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved 2 July 1926 (Bull 8, WD, 1926), a Distinguished-Flying Cross is awarded by the Commanding General, United States Army Forces in the South Pacific Area, to the following-named officer and enlisted men for extraordinary achievement while participating in aerial flights on combat operational missions. All of these flights were of a hazardous nature during which enemy opposition was met, or during which an area was traversed where enemy antiaircraft fire was effective or where enemy fighter patrols were habitually encountered. Previous recognition that each has received makes his record one for emulation; his accomplishments being a credit to himself and the Army Air Forces.

SPENCER L. BURKE, (0-662741), Captain, Air Corps, United States Army, Pilot, for five heavy bomber strike sorties during the period of 9 August to 30 August 1943, making twenty-five of like nature in which he has participated. Home Address: Bostonia, California.

LYNN L. BOYER, JR., (17068207), Technical Sergeant, Air Corps, United States Army, Aerial Engineer, for five heavy bomber strike sorties during the period of 28 October to 11 November 1943, making twenty-five of like nature in which he has participated. Home Address: Center Point, Iowa.

JOHN C. GIBBONS, (32055844), Technical Sergeant, Air Corps, United States Army, Aerial Radio Operator - Gunner, for five heavy bomber strike sorties during the period of 19 July to 26 July 1943, making twenty-five of like nature in which he has participated. Home Address: 404 Mountain Avenue, Westfield, New Jersey.

EARL B. CORNELTUS, (18134613), Staff Sergeant, Air Corps, United States Army, Aerial Gunner, for five heavy bomber strike sorties during the period of 31 October to 9 November 1943, making twenty-five of like nature in which he has participated. Home Address: 5005 Rightwar Street, Shreveport, Louisiana.

By Command of Major General MURRAY:

A. J. BARNETT, Major General, GSC, Chief of Staff.

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