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6 JUN 1969

SUBJECT: Distinctive Insignia (Badge) for the 79th Engineer Group

Commanding Officer
79th Engineer Group
APO SF 96491

1. A distinctive insignia for the 79th Engineer Group is authorized. It is described as follows:

DESCRIPTION

A silver color metal and enamel device 1 1/8 inches in width overall consisting of a blue enamel lozenge, voided of red enamel brick with silver mortar masonry, surmounted in base by a silver gauntlet holding a sword diagonally from upper left in front of a silver hammer diagonally from upper right, a red enamel scroll bearing the inscription "Excellence" in silver letters passing in front of the lozenge at top and encircling the lozenge in base and inscribed "Proven In Combat" in silver letters.

SYMBOLISM

The blue lozenge or diamond symbolizes the attributes of courage, excellence and indestructibility as demonstrated by the Group during World War II and in Vietnam. The gauntlet and sword bear out the motto "Proven In Combat" and attest to the Group's brilliant combat and direct combat support achievements in that period and particularly in Vietnam, where the 79th Engineer Group has been the "Fighting Group." The hammer represents construction and with the brick and mortar scheme alludes to the cementing of combat and construction skills.

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2. The distinctive insignia will be worn as prescribed in AR 670-5.
3. This authorization letter will become a permanent file of the organization in accordance with File No. 206-06, Organizational history files, AR 345-210.
4. This authorization is in accordance with a Directive from the Chief of Staff, U. S. Army, dated 27 March 1968.

RMH
R. M. HAERH
LTC, AGC
Acting Commander

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CMH

CF: OCMH (2)

D&I Div.

Concurrence: Chief, D&I Div.



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79TH ENGINEER GROUP

NONCOLOR BEARING UNITS

D-4510

ACTUAL SIZE $1\frac{1}{8}'' \pm \frac{1}{64}''$ WIDTH

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FINISH-----MIRROR-LIKE POLISH

DEVICE-----

ENAMEL---VITREOUS OPAQUE

CHARGES---FLUSH---DETAILS INCISED

LETTERING-----BASE METAL

PIERCING-----NONE---BACKGROUND RECESSED & TEXTURED

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