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I. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL.  
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I. AWARD OF BRONZE STAR MEDAL. By direction of the President, under the provisions of AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, and under authority contained in Circular No 32, Headquarters European Theater of Operations, United States Army, 20 March 1944, as amended, the Bronze Star Medal is awarded to:

Colonel Robert J. Campbell, 0299452, (then Lieutenant Colonel and Colonel), Quartermaster Corps, 550th Quartermaster Group, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations from 21 October 1944 to 29 March 1945. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

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28 May 45*  
Colonel Carl W. Rylander, 017337, Medical Corps, 24th Evacuation Hospital, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations from 15 February 1945 to 15 April 1945. Entered military service from Illinois.

Lieutenant Colonel Murray Polksky, 0381802, Medical Corps, 426th Medical Battalion, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations from 23 June 1944 to 23 April 1945. Entered military service from New York.

Lieutenant Colonel Clyde S. Wilson, 0115861, Medical Corps, 20th Field Hospital, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations from 23 February 1945 to 15 April 1945. Entered military service from Illinois.

Master Sergeant William F. Peters, 20281807, Medical Department, 30th Medical Group, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations from 8 December 1944 to 24 April 1945. Entered military service from New York.

Technical Sergeant Samuel D. Williams, 34141986, Medical Department, 30th Medical Group, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations from 8 December 1944 to 24 April 1945. Entered military service from Georgia.

Sergeant Ira H. Rutt, 33240411, Corps of Engineers, 551st Engineer Heavy Ponton Battalion, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations from 5 November 1944 to 31 March 1945. Entered military service from Pennsylvania.

Sergeant William F. Sullivan, 32513904, Corps of Engineers, 551st Engineer Heavy Ponton Battalion, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations from 5 November 1944 to 31 March 1945. Entered military service from New York.

Technician Fourth Grade Clarence A. Merkle, 36037814, Field Artillery, 272nd Field Artillery Battalion, United States Army, for heroic service in connection with military operations on 12 April 1945. Entered military service from Illinois.

Technician Fifth Grade Anthony B. Gilbride, 38512592, Medical Department, 31st

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Medical Group, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations from 18 June 1944 to 28 April 1945. Entered military service from Ohio.

Technician Fifth Grade Alvin E. House, 3846107, Corps of Engineers, 1698th Engineer Combat Battalion, United States Army, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations on 25 March 1945. Entered military service from Texas.

Private First Class Charles D. Davis, 33389404, Corps of Engineers, 1117th Engineer Combat Group, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations from 23 March 1945 to 28 March 1945. Entered military service from Maryland.

Private First Class Calvin H. De Sersa, 37480461, Medical Department, 432nd Medical Battalion, United States Army, for meritorious service in connection with military operations from 23 February 1945 to 15 April 1945. Entered military service from South Dakota.

II. AWARD OF MERITORIOUS SERVICE UNIT PLAQUE. Under authority contained in Section I, Circular No 345, War Department, 23 August 1944, the Meritorious Service Unit Plaque is awarded to:

Headquarters Special Troops, Ninth United States Army, for superior execution of duty in the performance of exceptionally difficult tasks. From 1 November 1944 to 31 December 1944, Headquarters Special Troops, Ninth United States Army rendered meritorious service in the accomplishment of its numerous duties on the continent. Throughout this period, this unit achieved and maintained a high standard of discipline and demonstrated superior performance in every duty it was assigned. The conduct of Headquarters Special Troops, Ninth United States Army is in keeping with the high traditions of the military service.

Command of Lieutenant General SIMPSON:



J. E. MOORE,  
Major General, GSC, Chief of Staff.

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