SUBJECT: Letter of Appreciation

ALL PERSONNEL

1. I take great pleasure in forwarding the following laudatory comments of General Williams, General Koster and Colonel Gust. Your exceptional display of courage and devotion to duty during the Kham Duc Operation on 12 May has brought great credit upon yourselves, your units and the 14th Combat Aviation Battalion.

   a. From MG Samuel W. Koster, Commanding General, Americal Division: The splendid efforts of the 14th Combat Aviation Battalion in combat operations on 12 May 1968, in the vicinity of Kham Duc, RVN, are most appreciated. Please pass to all concerned my highest regard for their skill, courage and devotion to duty. Without the assistance of this fine organization the success of the operation would have been infinitely more difficult if not impossible to achieve. The officers and men of Co A, 1st Bn, 46th Infantry and the 2d Battalion of the 1st Infantry join me in an expression of thanks for a job well done. Signed: Koster.

   b. From MG Robert R. Williams, Commanding General, 1st Aviation Brigade: It gives me great pleasure to forward the laudatory comments from the Commanding General, Americal Division. With this kind of recognition it is evident that your unit has performed in a truly outstanding manner. I am proud of the courage, skill and determination displayed by the officers and men of the 14th Combat Aviation Battalion. Their conduct and performance are in keeping with the finest traditions of Army Aviation. I add my appreciation to that of General Koster for a job well done. Signed: MG Williams.

   c. From Col Daniel Gust, Commanding Officer, 16th Combat Aviation Group: It is with genuine pride that I forward this praise of the 14th Combat Aviation Battalion from the Commanding General, Americal Division and the Commanding General of the 1st Aviation Brigade. The 14th Combat Aviation Battalion has distinguished itself in an extraordinary manner in performance of this mission. My congratulations for a job well done. Signed: Gust.

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