APPENDIX II

Glossary of Abbreviations

The following abbreviations and terms are commonly used in the combat zone by all agencies and are listed here in amplification of those used in the text.

ABF  Attack By Fire
AMMI PONTOON  A multi-purpose barge, standard size 28'x90'
AO  Area of Operations
ARVN  Army of the Republic of Vietnam
ASPB  Assault Support Patrol Boat
ATC  Armored Troop Carrier
ATSB  Advanced Tactical Support Base
A/W  Automatic Weapons
BDA  Battle Damage Assessment
BLACK PONY  OV-10 Aircraft, twin engine turboprop counterinsurgency
CCB  Command and Communication Boat
CG  Coastal Group
CHICOM  Chinese Communist
CIA  Central Intelligence Agency
CMD  Capital Military District
COMTHD  Commander, TRAN HUNG DAO
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<td>CORDS</td>
<td>Civic Operations for Rural Development Support</td>
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<td>COSVN</td>
<td>Communist political and administrative organization responsible for Communist operations in the Republic of Vietnam</td>
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<td>CSR</td>
<td>Camp Sentinel Radar</td>
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<td>CZ</td>
<td>Coastal Zone</td>
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<td>DIW</td>
<td>Dead In the Water</td>
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<td>DUSTOFF</td>
<td>Medical evacuation by helicopter</td>
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<td>ENIFF</td>
<td>Enemy Initiated Firefight</td>
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<td>EOD</td>
<td>Explosive Ordnance Disposal</td>
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<td>FANK</td>
<td>Cambodian Army</td>
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<td>FOM</td>
<td>French Patrol Boat</td>
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<td>FSB</td>
<td>Fire Support Base</td>
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<td>FWMAF</td>
<td>Free World Military Assistance Forces</td>
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<td>GDA</td>
<td>Gun Damage Assessment</td>
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<td>GVN</td>
<td>Government of Vietnam</td>
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<td>H&amp;I</td>
<td>Harassment and Interdiction fire support</td>
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<td>ISB</td>
<td>Intermediate Support Base</td>
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<td>JGS</td>
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<td>KIA</td>
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<td>LAW</td>
<td>Light Anti-tank Weapon</td>
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<td>LCPL</td>
<td>Landing Craft, Personnel, Large</td>
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<td>LDNN</td>
<td>Vietnamese equivalent of USN Underwater Demolition Team and Seals.</td>
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<td>LF</td>
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<td>LHFT</td>
<td>Light Helicopter Fire Team</td>
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<td>LOH</td>
<td>OH-6 Light Observation Helicopter</td>
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<td>LRRP</td>
<td>Long Range Reconnaissance Patrol</td>
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<td>MEDCAP</td>
<td>Medical Civic Action Program</td>
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<td>MID</td>
<td>Mining Interdiction Division</td>
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<td>MNK</td>
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<td>MONITOR</td>
<td>Heavy armored LCM-6 (40mm cannon or 105mm Howitzer)</td>
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<td>MSD</td>
<td>Minesweeper, Drone</td>
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<td>MSF</td>
<td>Mobile Strike Force</td>
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<td>Medium Seal Support Craft</td>
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<td>NAVCAT</td>
<td>Naval Civic Action Team</td>
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<td>NAVLEDRAC</td>
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<td>NGFS</td>
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<td>NILO</td>
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<td>NIOTC</td>
<td>Naval Inshore Operations Training Center</td>
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NMCB - Naval Mobile Construction Battalion (Seabees)
NOC - Naval Operations Center
NOD - Night Observation Device
NSA - Naval Support Activity
NSAD - Naval Support Activity Detachment
NVA - North Vietnamese Army
OJT - On the Job Training
OTC - Officer in Tactical Command
PADD - Portable Acoustic Doppler Detector
PBR - Patrol Boat, River
PCF - Patrol Craft, Fast
PERINTREP - Periodic Intelligence Report
POL - Petroleum, Oil, and Lubricants
PRU - Provincial Reconnaissance Unit
PSA - Province Senior Advisor
PSDF - Popular Self-Defense Forces
PSYOPS - Psychological Operations
PW - Prisoner of War
RAC - River Assault Craft
RAD - River Assault Division
RAG - River Assault Group (VNN)
RAID - River Assault and Interdiction Division (VNN)
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<td>REF</td>
<td>Refueler (boat)</td>
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<td>RF/PF</td>
<td>Regional Force/Popular Forces</td>
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<td>ROK</td>
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<td>RPD</td>
<td>River Patrol Division</td>
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<td>RPG</td>
<td>Rocket Propelled Grenade or River Patrol Group</td>
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<td>RSSZ</td>
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<td>RVNAF</td>
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<td>SA</td>
<td>Senior Advisor</td>
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<td>SAR</td>
<td>Search And Rescue</td>
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<td>SEAL</td>
<td>Navy commandos (Sea, Air, Land)</td>
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<td>SEAWOLF</td>
<td>UH-1B helicopter, heavily armored, USN operated</td>
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<td>SHADOW</td>
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<td>SKIMMER</td>
<td>20-foot fiberglass motorboat</td>
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<td>SLICK</td>
<td>Lightly armed helicopter used for troop inserts and administrative purposes.</td>
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<td>SPOOKY</td>
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<td>Swimmer Support Boat (Skimmer)</td>
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<td>TAD</td>
<td>Temporary Additional Duty</td>
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<td>TAOP</td>
<td>Tactical Area Of Responsibility</td>
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<td>TP/PT</td>
<td>Convoy designation for ships travelling up the Mekong River from Tan Chau to Phnom Penh and vice versa.</td>
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<td>USARV</td>
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<td>VAR</td>
<td>Visual Air Reconnaissance</td>
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<td>VNNLSC</td>
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<td>WIA</td>
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<td>ZIFPO</td>
<td>Flame thrower-equipped ATC or Monitor</td>
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