



COMMANDER
UNITED STATES NAVAL FORCES
VIETNAM

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting
the Bronze Star Medal to

CLYDE CECIL LOPEZ
ENSIGN
UNITED STATES NAVY

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION

"For meritorious service while serving with friendly foreign forces engaged in armed conflict against the North Vietnamese and Viet Cong communist aggressors in the Republic of Vietnam from March 1970 to March 1971. While serving as Officer in Charge, United States Naval Facility, DaNang, Detachment Delta and Assistant Communications Security Officer, United States Naval Communication Station, Cam Ranh Bay, Ensign LOPEZ contributed significantly to the success of the communications security program. Through applications of his expertise in the registered publications system, development and execution of communications security surveys and studies and implementation of communications security training for supporting riverine and naval air operations, Ensign LOPEZ ensured effectiveness of this program. Throughout his tour, Ensign LOPEZ performed his duties under the imminent threat of enemy terrorist squads and main force units. His professional qualities, initiative, leadership ability and devotion to duty reflected great credit upon himself and were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

The Combat Distinguishing Device is authorized.

For the President

J. H. KING, Jr.
Vice Admiral, U. S. Navy
Commander U. S. Naval Forces, Vietnam