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**SECTION I** - Announcement of Regional Military Government Officer,  
Eastern Military District.

**SECTION II** - Award of Silver Star.

**I. ANNOUNCEMENT OF REGIONAL MILITARY GOVERNMENT OFFICER, EASTERN MILITARY DISTRICT** - Colonel ROY L DALFERES, 010279, General Staff Corps, is announced as Regional Military Government Officer, Eastern Military District in addition to other duties as Assistant Chief of Staff, G-5, this Headquarters.

**II. AWARD OF SILVER STAR** - By Direction of the President and under the provisions of Sec I, Cir 32, Hq ETO US Army, 20 March 1944, as amended by Sec I, Cir 56, Hq ETO US Army, 27 May 1944, a Silver Star is awarded to:

Captain JOHN W HALL, 01287702, Infantry, Headquarters Company, 60th Armored Infantry Battalion, 9th Armored Division, United States Army. For gallantry in action in GERMANY. On 14 April 1945, when three enemy soldiers armed with rocket-launchers attempted a surprise attack on the forward Command Post of Captain HALL'S unit, he fearlessly charged at them, firing his rifle from the hip. The hostile soldiers fired two rockets in his direction and ran toward a nearby forest when he was within thirty yards of their position. With utter disregard for the heavy artillery fire falling around him, this intrepid officer killed one of the enemy with his rifle and chased the other two into the woods where he assisted in capturing one of them before darkness made further search useless. Captain HALL'S heroic aggressiveness prevented heavy casualties from being inflicted on the command group. His dauntless courage and unflinching devotion to duty are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service.

First Lieutenant STANLEY L SINE, 01295616, Infantry, Company C, 393d Infantry Regiment, 99th Infantry Division, United States Army. For gallantry in action in BELGIUM. On 16 December 1944, near KRINKELT, BELGIUM, a fierce enemy counter-offensive broke through the forward elements of Lieutenant SINE'S company and surrounded the command post. While directing the defense of the command post against overwhelming odds, he noticed that only two of his mortarmen had survived the devastating enemy fire. With utter disregard for his own safety, this intrepid officer crawled to the mortar position and assisted in placing such murderous, close-range mortar fire upon the attacking enemy that they were held at bay until the command post was relieved by friendly reinforcements. Lieutenant SINE'S heroic actions and indomitable fighting spirit are in keeping with the finest traditions of the military service.

Lieutenant JOHN W MOWINCKEL, 031017, United States Marine Corps Reserve, Office of Strategic Services Detachment, Third United States Army. For gallantry in action in AUSTRIA. On 3 May 1945, Lieutenant MOWINCKEL courageously volunteered to infiltrate through enemy lines to establish contact with Russian units in the vicinity of PERG, AUSTRIA. Accompanied by two intelligence agents he fearlessly proceeded through the enemy lines and, although halted and interrogated by German SS personnel, succeeded in continuing his vital mission. The information this intrepid officer obtained concerning the position of the approaching Russian

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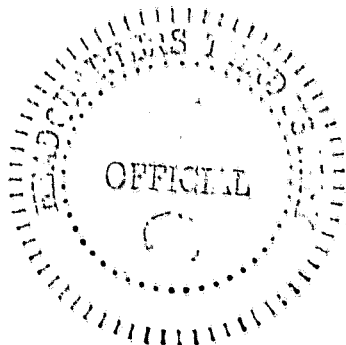
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elements and the disposition of enemy troops was an important contribution to the success of tactical operations. Lieutenant MOJINCKEL'S courageous actions and unswerving devotion to duty are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service.

Sergeant HUGH L ATRY, 34474760, Company C, 9th Armored Engineer Battalion, 9th Armored Division, United States Army. For gallantry in action in BELGIUM. On 20 December 1944, near MAGERET, BELGIUM, Sergeant ATRY exposed himself to intense hostile small arms, mortar and artillery fire and fearlessly led a patrol against strong enemy positions which were delaying the advance of a friendly armored column. Advancing alone he killed an enemy sniper and then with the assistance of two comrades, silenced a hostile machine gun with hand grenades. Continuing the patrol, this intrepid soldier led his squad forward and attacked two houses occupied by the enemy, killing four hostile soldiers and capturing one other. Later in the action he made his way into a nearby village and knocked out an enemy tank with rocket fire. Sergeant ATRY'S courageous leadership enabled friendly elements to reach their objective. His indomitable fighting spirit and unflinching devotion to duty are in keeping with the finest traditions of the military service.

Sergeant LEE R MC CABE, 39082886, Headquarters Company, 60th Armored Infantry Battalion, 9th Armored Division, United States Army. For gallantry in action in GERMANY. On 14 April 1945, when three enemy soldiers armed with rocket-launchers attempted a surprise attack on the forward command post of Sergeant MC CABE'S unit, he fearlessly charged at them, firing his rifle from the hip. The hostile soldiers fired two rockets in his direction and ran toward a nearby forest where he was within thirty yards of their position. With utter disregard for the heavy artillery fire falling in the area, this intrepid soldier chased two of the enemy into the woods and succeeded in capturing one of them before darkness made further search useless. Sergeant MC CABE'S heroic aggressiveness prevented heavy casualties from being inflicted on the command group. His dauntless courage and unflinching devotion to duty are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service.

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