PROPOSED CITATION FOR THE AWARD OF THE BROWZE STAR TO FIRST LIEUTENANT ROBERT E. LANG

Robert E. Lang, 02056257, First Lieutenant, Army of the United States, Chief, Message Center, Communications Branch, Readquarters, 2677th Regiment, Office of Strategic Services (Provisional) for meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States from 13 January, 1944, to 11 October, 1944. As chief of the Office of Strategic Services Message Center, in Algiers, he was charged with working out the cipher phase of Office of Strategic Services participation in the operation Dragoon. So successful was the resulting system that of the minety-three messages transmitted between 9 August, 1944, and 16 August, 1944, ninety-two were received in perfect order. In spite of the intrioscies involved in processing messages, under Lieutenant Lang's supervision, information of urgent interest to the command of the Seventh Army was received aboard the headquarters ships within two hours of the time it was . transmitted by the agent in Southern France, to the Algiers Radio Station. The value placed upon the work in which Lieutenant Lang played a highly important part is indicated by letters of commendation from the Director of the Office of Strategic Services and Colonel William W. Quinn, Acting Chief of Staff, G-2, Seventh Army.

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Headquarters, 2677th Regiment, Office of Strategic Services (Provisional),
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TO: Commanding General, MYOUSA

Recommendation approved and transmitted for your consideration.

EDWARD J. F. GLAVIN Colonel, Infantry Commanding

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