



THE COMMANDANT OF THE UNITED STATES COAST GUARD
WASHINGTON 20590

The Commandant of the Coast Guard takes pleasure in presenting
the COAST GUARD MERITORIOUS UNIT COMMENDATION to

SOUTHEAST ASIA LORAN-C CHAIN

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For meritorious service from 19 March 1975 to 3 October 1975 while engaged in providing LORAN-C navigational service in Southeast Asia and effecting the disestablishment of the Southeast Asia LORAN-C Chain. From 12 April 1975 to 29 April 1975, the Southeast Asia LORAN-C Chain units participated in operations "Eagle Pull" and "Frequent Wind" providing navigational information for reconnaissance and air support aircraft. These outstanding efforts provided precise LORAN-C coverages and resulted in the highly successful U.S. military operations. On 10 July 1975 the Secretary of Defense directed that the disestablishment of the Southeast Asia LORAN-C Chain be accomplished "as soon as possible". The tasks included; identification, packing and shipping of LORAN, communications and other electronic equipment to be retrograded for further use by the Coast Guard; coordinating and effecting the time-phased transfer of the personnel assigned to the stations and Section Staff to enable timely departures while simultaneously maintaining the personnel strength necessary to carry out the assigned tasks; and coordinating and preparing the stations for transfer to the Royal Thai Government. LORAN Monitor Station Udorn was disestablished on 16 September 1975; LORAN Station Lampang on 17 September 1975; LORAN Station Sattahip on 19 September 1975; and Southeast Asia Section Office on 3 October 1975. The planning, coordination and liaison with other Services and joint commands, including those of the Royal Thai Government, contributed significantly to the successful and timely execution of this most demanding mission. The resourcefulness, initiative and professionalism of personnel of the Southeast Asia LORAN-C Chain have enhanced the image of the Coast Guard and the dedication and teamwork displayed during the period reflected great credit upon themselves, their unit and the United States Coast Guard."

All personnel attached to and serving with the SOUTHEAST ASIA LORAN-C CHAIN during the above designated period are hereby authorized to wear the Coast Guard Meritorious Unit Commendation Ribbon.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "C. W. Siler".

C. W. SILER
Admiral, U.S. Coast Guard