

hanced the esprit de corps and combat effectiveness of the command, and reflect distinct credit on himself and the American Red Cross.

2. By direction of the President, under Executive Order 9419, 4 February 1944 (sec. II, WD Bul. 3, 1944), the Bronze Star Medal (first Oak-Leaf Cluster) with "V" device for heroic achievement in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States on the date indicated is awarded to the following-named officer:

Major *Wilfred C. Ford*, (then first lieutenant), Infantry (Armor), United States Army, a member of Company B, 899th Tank Destroyer Battalion, while attached to the 60th Infantry Regiment, 9th Infantry Division, distinguished himself by heroism in action near Les-Champs-de-Loesque, Normandy, France, on 17 July 1944. Major *Ford* proceeded beyond friendly lines under sporadic hostile fire, heedless of his own safety, to locate an enemy tank reported in the area which was holding up the advance of his unit. He located an enemy 75-mm self-propelled gun, returned to his tank destroyer, and, with great determination, led it into position from which this hostile weapon was destroyed. He then continued forward on foot ahead of leading elements of the attack echelon and located a second 75-mm self-propelled gun with its supporting enemy troops. He successfully directed one of his tank destroyers in a frontal attack to a firing position from which this enemy weapon was left in flames. Major *Ford's* courageous actions and outstanding leadership were an inspiration to his men and reflect great credit on himself and the military service.

X. AIR MEDAL.—1. By direction of the President, under Executive Order 9158, 11 May 1942 (sec. III, WD Bul. 25, 1942), as amended by Executive Order 9242-A, 11 September 1942 (sec. III, WD Bul. 49, 1942), the Air Medal for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight during the period indicated is awarded to the following-named officer:

First Lieutenant *A. Ertugrul Sabuncu*, , Infantry, Turkish Army. 12 to 26 November 1950.

2. By direction of the President, under Executive Order 9158, 11 May 1942 (sec. III, WD Bul. 25, 1942), as amended by Executive Order 9242-A, 11 September 1942 (sec. III, WD Bul. 49, 1942), the Air Medal (first Oak-Leaf Cluster) for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight during the period indicated is awarded to the following-named officer:

First Lieutenant *A. Ertugrul Sabuncu*, , Infantry, Turkish Army. 26 November to 18 December 1950.

3. By direction of the President, under Executive Order 9158, 11 May 1942 (sec. III, WD Bul. 25, 1942), as amended by Executive Order 9242-A, 11 September 1942 (sec. III, WD Bul. 49, 1942), the Air Medal (second Oak-Leaf Cluster) for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight during the period indicated is awarded to the following-named officer:

First Lieutenant *A. Ertugrul Sabuncu*, , Infantry, Turkish Army. 19 to 28 December 1950.

4. By direction of the President, under Executive Order 9158, 11 May 1942 (sec. III, WD Bul. 25, 1942), as amended by Executive Order 9242-A, 11 September 1942 (sec. III, WD Bul. 49, 1942), the Air Medal (third Oak-Leaf Cluster) for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight during the period indicated is awarded to the following-named officer:

First Lieutenant *A. Ertugrul Sabuncu*, , Infantry, Turkish Army. 29 December 1950 to 25 January 1951.