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LEGION OF MERIT AWARDED TO MAJOR JAMES A. SULLIVAN, U.S. ARMY

DAYTON, Ohio, March 4, 1969 --- Major James A. Sullivan, U.S. Army, Assistant Professor of Military Science at the University of Dayton received the Legion of Merit for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service during the period June, 1967, to June, 1968, while serving consecutively as Assistant S3, 3rd Brigade, S3 and Executive Officer 1st Battalion, 16th Infantry, 3rd Brigade, 1st Infantry Division in the Republic of Vietnam.

Major General Edwin H. Burba, Deputy Commanding General, First U.S. Army, will present the medal to Major Sullivan in a formal ceremony held in the ROTC Building's Rifle Range on Wednesday, March 5 at 11:15 a.m.

Major Sullivan's citation reads in part, "He displayed a consummated knowledge of military tactics and a thorough grasp of the requirements of the hostile environment in successfully planning the maneuvers of his unit during numerous operations. He was frequently called upon to brief the senior staff section on operational matters, and in each instance, his clear, concise reasoning and effective delivery gave his superiors a comprehensive understanding of the needs of the situation and enabled them to make timely and accurate decisions".

Major Sullivan, a 1960 graduate of Notre Dame University is the son of LTC (Ret) and Mrs. J. A. Sullivan, 2625 Pecksniff Road, Wilmington, Delaware. He is currently instructing junior students enrolled in the ROTC Advanced Course at the University of Dayton.

The Legion of Merit is the nation's second highest award presented for meritorious service performed in an outstanding manner in a position of great responsibility.

Major Sullivan has received the following awards: Distinguished Flying Cross w/oak leaf cluster; Bronze Star w/"V" Device - 4th oak leaf cluster; Air Medal w/6 oak leaf cluster; Army Commendation Medal w/oak leaf cluster; Vietnamese Cross of Gallantry w/Gold Star; Vietnamese Honor Medal 1st Clasp; Vietnamese Campaign Ribbon w/3 Battle Stars; Vietnamese Service Ribbon.

The Sullivan family: wife Joanne, sons, James III and Patrick Sean reside at 6416 Alp Court in Huber Heights, Dayton, Ohio.