

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY

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Honorable E (Kika) de la Garza

House of Representatives

Dear Mr. Garza:

The Secretary of the Army has asked me to reply to your inquiry in behalf of Private Enede Barrera, US 67 137 942.

I am pleased to inform you that the military authorities at Fort Polk, Louisiana, have been instructed to annotate Private Barrera's records to preclude his assignment to Vietnam, an active combat area. This procedure, however, does not provide for Private Barrera's continuous assignment in the United States, but merely excludes him from assignment to a combat area. Further, he is eligible for any other world-wide assignment and may at any time waive his assignment limitation with regard to combat.

Your interest in this matter is appreciated.

Sincerely,

Lieutenant Colonel, GS

Office, Chief of

Legislative Liaison