



DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
HEADQUARTERS, 1ST ARMORED DIVISION
FORT HOOD, TEXAS 76848

AKDFA-AG

11 DEC 1969

Honorable John Young
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C. 20515

Dear Mr. Young:

Reference is made to your inquiry of 24 September 1969, received at this headquarters on 24 October 1969, and our interim replies of 24 October and 3 November 1969, pertaining to Private First Class Gilbert Rivas, 463-74-6240.

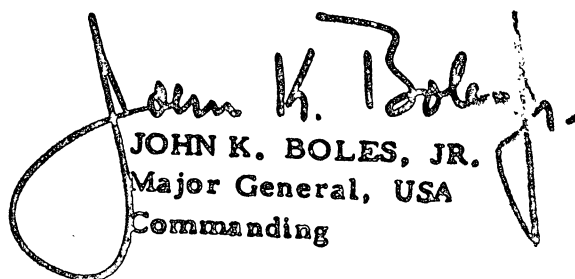
Investigation of this case has disclosed that Private Rivas was absent without proper authority from his assigned unit at this installation during the period from 2 July to 7 July 1969, and again from 22 September to 25 September 1969. No medical neglect or personal mistreatment exists in this case to which Private Rivas' offenses may be attributed. This serviceman's medical records show that on 26 May 1969, he was released from Brooke General Hospital, Fort Sam Houston, Texas, with no physical profile limitations following treatment of wounds sustained in the Republic of Vietnam. Subsequent to his assignment to this command, Private Rivas received follow-up therapy at Darnall Army Hospital, here at Fort Hood, until 14 August 1969, at which time qualified Army medical personnel deemed further medical attention unnecessary. On 9 October 1969, after volunteering for overseas duty in the Republic of Vietnam, this serviceman was examined by the 1st Armored Division Surgeon and found to be physically qualified for this assignment. Consequently, on 1 November 1969, Private Rivas departed from his assigned unit at this installation enroute to Oakland Army Base, California, for deployment to the Republic of Vietnam. You may be assured that while he was a member of this command, this soldier received the finest of professional medical care.

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Your interest in a member of this command is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,


JOHN K. BOLES, JR.
Major General, USA
Commanding



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Honorable Ralph Yarborough
United States Senate
Washington, D. C. 20510

Dear Senator Yarborough:

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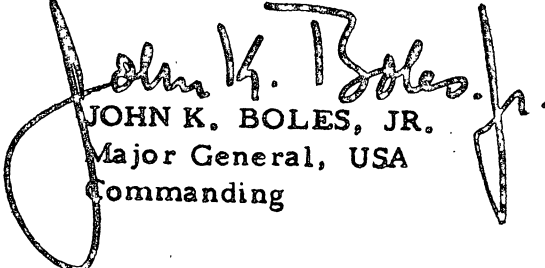
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