Appendix D

FRENCH CROIX DE GUERRE WITH SILVER STAR

GENERAL ORDERS DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
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LIST OF UNITS AND CITATIONS Section II

FRENCH CROIX DE GUERRE WITH SILVER STAR, awarded under Decision No. 246, 15 July 1946, by the President of the Provisional Government of the French Republic, with the following citation: [51st Engr Combat Bn]

An elite unit which attracted special attention in the course of the German offensive in the Ardennes. During the period from 12 to 22 December 1944, it was thrown into the breach, with the mission of holding the enemy advance in the Ligneuville-Stavelot-Trois Ponts areas. In spite of a lack of heavy arms and being attacked by an adversary greatly superior in number, it held the position which had been assigned to it, thus giving proof of the finest qualities of courage and military discipline.