



THE SECRETARY OF THE NAVY
WASHINGTON

The Secretary of the Navy takes pleasure in presenting the
MERITORIOUS UNIT COMMENDATION to

COMMANDER TASK FORCE 115

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

For meritorious service during the periods 19 December 1969 to 16 November 1970 and 23 November 1970 to 1 March 1972 in connection with the interdiction of enemy supply lines into the Republic of Vietnam. Maintaining a close vigil over 1200 miles of coastline and more than 64,000 licensed watercraft, Task Force 115 (United States Navy Coastal Surveillance Force) created one of the most effective coastal barriers in naval history. Large quantities of insurgent war materials were destroyed or captured, and even greater amounts were kept out of the hands of enemy combatants. In addition, Task Force units conducted almost daily naval gunfire support missions, completed numerous search and rescue operations, carried out hundreds of psychological warfare missions and medical civic action programs, and conducted training programs for Vietnamese naval personnel which culminated in the turnover of the Coastal Surveillance Headquarters and the operational control of the entire inner coastal barrier to the Vietnamese Navy. The professionalism, courage, and dedication displayed by the officers and men of Commander Task Force 115 were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service.

John W. Warner
Secretary of the Navy