

RECOMMENDATION FOR DECORATION FOR VALOR OR MERIT
(MAYN Directive 672-1)

THRU: Commanding Officer FANK TC AAG APO SF 96227		TO: Chief, AAG ATTN: AAG-AD APO SF 96222		FROM: Commanding Officer FANK TC AAG DBTTB APO SF 96240	
1. NAME (LAST, FIRST, MIDDLE INITIAL): BEAUMONT, ERIC		2. SSAN: J38142		3. GRADE SSG	
4. MONTH 9		5. YEAR 30 Nov 72		6. POSSESSIONS AWARD: YES (X) NO	
7. ORGANIZATION AT THE TIME OF ACTION: FANK TC AAG DBTTB, APO SF 96240		8. DUTY POSITION TITLE: INSTRUCTOR			
9. DATE(S) OF SERVICE OR ACTION: 1 March 1972 - 30 November 1972		10. PERMANENT MAILING ADDRESS: NZATGV SAIGON, SOUTH VIETNAM			
11. CURRENT UNIT OF ASSIGNMENT: FANK TC AAG DBTTB, APO SF 96240		12. PERMANENT MAILING ADDRESS: NZATGV SAIGON, SOUTH VIETNAM			
13. AWARDS RECOMMENDED:					
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14. PREVIOUS US AWARDS (Purple Heart and higher):					
DECORATION		DATE (S) OF ACTION/SERVICE		AUTHORITY	
NONE					
15. OTHERS RECOMMENDED FOR AN AWARD FOR THE SAME ACTION (NAME & AWARD):					
N/A					
16. NAMES OF WITNESSES:					
N/A					

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MACV Form 200-R Replaces edition of 22 May 68 and MACV Form 127, 22 May 68
15 Mar 72 which are obsolete

17. NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION:

STAFF SERGEANT ERIC BEAUMONT, J38112, Royal New Zealand Armoured Corps, attached to the Forces Armees Nationales Khmère (FANK) Training Command, Army Advisory Group, Dong Ba Thin Training Battalion, distinguished himself by meritorious service in connection with military operations against a hostile force during the period March 1972 through November 1972, while serving as a weapons instructor. STAFF SERGEANT BEAUMONT was assigned as an instructor with the Weapons Committee, specializing in the training of .30 Cal. Machine Gun teams. He was directly responsible for the very high standards achieved by the Cambodian .30 Cal. Machine Gun gunners and teams. He was also able to advise United States and New Zealand personnel in better methods of instruction for the .30 Cal. Machine Gun classes. Because of the practical exercise required for training with the .30 Cal. Machine Gun, long hours on the range in extremes of heat were undertaken by STAFF SERGEANT BEAUMONT without relief because of severe personnel shortages. For a short period, he was acting NCOIC of the Weapons Committee, a job which he carried out with competence and professionalism. STAFF SERGEANT BEAUMONT was also employed in other weapons subjects and his varied background gave him great flexibility with the weapons taught to the Cambodian troops. In cooperation with another instructor, he devised a method of shortening the shoulder stock of the .30 Cal. Machine Guns. This modification was so successful in improving the firing and handling of the .30 Cal. Machine Gun by the Cambodians, that it was adopted as a standard modification for all FANK training sites. He set high standards of performance in all his work and continually demonstrated his intense dedication and professionalism. SSG BEAUMONT's outstanding duty performance was in keeping with the highest traditions of the New Zealand Army and reflects great credit upon himself and the military service.

<p>18. INCLOSURES:</p> <p>1. Proposed Citation 2. BIO Sketch</p>	<p>19. NAME/RANK/POSITION OF ORIGINATOR:</p> <p>ROBERT E. DOWNEN LTC, Infantry Commanding</p>	<p>20. SIGNATURE AND DATE:</p> <p><i>Robert E. Downen</i> 20 OCT 1972</p>
<p>21. RECOMMENDATION OF THE COMMAND:</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> APPROVAL <input type="checkbox"/> DISAPPROVAL <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER</p>	<p>22. NAME/RANK/POSITION:</p> <p>JOHN V. HEMLER, JR. COL, FA Commanding</p>	<p>23. SIGNATURE AND DATE:</p> <p><i>John V. Hemler, Jr.</i> 5 NOV 72</p>

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