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BATTLE PARTICIPATION CREDIT - CAMPAIGN "CENTRAL EUROPE"

1. The following extract of Letter, Headquarters Third United States Army, 22 June 1945, File AG 200.6 GNMCA-4, is quoted for the information and guidance of all concerned:

"1. Battle Participation Credit for campaign "Central Europe" has been approved by Commanding General, European Theater of Operations, U. S. Army, for units listed below:

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80th Inf Div			PI Team No 69	
80th CIC Det			IPW Team No 75	
702nd Tank Bn			IPW Team No 76	
811th TD Bn			MII Team No 444-G	
OB Team No 34				
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2. Attention is invited to paragraph 7b, Section I, Circular 195, War Department, 18 May 1944, regarding eligibility of individuals to wear a bronze service star on the theater ribbon.

3. In compliance with paragraph 8, Circular 62, War Department, 11 February 1944, Circular 111, Headquarters European Theater of Operations, U. S. Army, 15 November 1944, as amended by Circular 30, 22 March 1945, and letter, Headquarters European Theater of Operations, U. S. Army, file AG 200.6 OpGA; subject: "Individuals Entitled to Battle Participation Credit", 28 April 1945, necessary entries will be made on page 6, "Medals, Decorations, and Citations" in service records of enlisted personnel and in Item 31 on qualification cards of officers, whose eligibility to wear a bronze service star on the theater ribbon is established. (Authority: First Indorsement, Headquarters European Theater of Operations, 19 June 45)."

2. Time limitations of campaign "Central Europe", as announced by the War Department, is 22 March 1945, final date 11 May 1945. All units mentioned in Paragraph 1 of above quoted letter entered the combat zone on 22 March 1945 with the exception of the 811th Tank Destroyer Battalion and the 702d Tank Battalion. These units entered the combat zone on 27 March 1945.

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