



CITATION TO ACCOMPANY THE AWARD OF
THE AIR FORCE COMMENDATION MEDAL
TO
STAFF SERGEANT LIEF E. ARVIDSON

Staff Sergeant Leif E. Arvidson distinguished himself by outstanding achievement from 29 March 1971 to 31 March 1971 while assigned as a Pararescue Specialist, 79th Aerospace Rescue and Recovery Squadron, Andersen Air Force Base, Guam. On 29 March 1971, Sergeant Arvidson was the Pararescueman In-Charge of a Rescue Team which parachuted to a Greek ship, the MW Anthemius, to give medical treatment to a critically ill sailor. On board the ship, the Rescue Team performed a superficial examination on the patient and began medical treatment which was continued until the ship docked at Apra Harbor, Guam, on 31 March 1971. Professional medical personnel confirmed that the timely and skilled treatment rendered by the Rescue Team saved the patient's life. The image of the United States was enhanced and a closer international relationship was established with the Greek People through the assistance rendered by Sergeant Arvidson and his Pararescue Team. By his professional ability and humanitarian regard for his fellowman, Sergeant Arvidson has reflected credit upon himself and the United States Air Force.

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