



CITATION TO ACCOMPANY THE AWARD OF
THE AIR FORCE COMMENDATION MEDAL
(FIRST OAK LEAF CLUSTER)
TO
AIRMAN FIRST CLASS ERIC L. GREGORY

Airman First Class Eric L. Gregory 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, Airman Gregory was a member of the Pararescue Team that parachuted to a Greek ship, the M.V. 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 Airman Gregory and the Pararescue Team. By his professional ability and humanitarian regard for his fellow man, Airman Gregory has reflected credit upon himself and the United States Air Force.

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