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SECTION I

1. By direction of the President, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 2 July 1926 (Bull. 8, WD, 1926), and in accordance with authority delegated by the War Department, the following named officers and enlisted men are awarded the DISTINGUISHED FLYING CROSS:

JOHN E. WILSON, 38312261, Staff Sergeant, 416th Bombardment Group (L). For extraordinary achievement while serving as gunner of an A-20 type aircraft, participating in aerial flight against the enemy in the European Theatre of Operations. During the period 4 March 1944 to 2 December 1944, S/Sgt Wilson flew in numerous hazardous missions over enemy-occupied Europe and constantly demonstrated outstanding airmanship, quick thinking, determination and aggressiveness which contributed in large measure to the successful accomplishment of the sorties. His exceptional judgment and devotion to duty are in keeping with the highest traditions of the Army Air Forces. Entered military service from Florida.

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By command of Major General VANDENBERG:

W W MILLARD
Colonel, GSC
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OFFICIAL:

/s/ C M SEEBACH
/t/ C M SEEBACH
Colonel, AGD
Adjutant General

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