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AWARD OF THE PURPLE HEART .....I

1. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended by changes number 4, and pursuant to authority contained in Par. 2f, Circular No. 50 NATOUSA, dated 5th April 1943, the Purple Heart is awarded to the following-named Officers and Enlisted men in the name of the Commanding General North African Theater of Operations:

GEORGE G. GRINNELL, Jr., O-733309, 2nd Lt, Air Corps, U. S. Army. For wounds received in action against an armed enemy on 19 July 1943, while participating in an aerial bombardment mission in North Africa. Residence at appointment: Elkins Park, Pa.

➔ JOHN E. ABDALLAH, O-733505, Second Lieutenant, Air Corps, U. S. Army. For wounds received in action against an armed enemy on 16 July 1943, while participating in an aerial bombardment mission in North Africa. Residence at appointment: Fall River, Mass.

SHERWIN (NMI) KIBBE, O-728219, Second Lieutenant, Air Corps, U. S. Army. For wounds received in action against an armed enemy on 16 July 1943, while participating in an aerial bombardment mission in North Africa. Residence at appointment: New York, N. Y.

SAMUEL M. CARR, O-726192, Second Lieutenant, Air Corps, U. S. Army. For wounds received in action against an armed enemy on 16 July 1943, while participating in an aerial bombardment mission in North Africa. Residence at appointment: Waco, Texas.

GRATTEN E. GIBBS, 36055369, Staff Sergeant, Air Corps, U. S. Army. For wounds received in action against an armed enemy on 16 July 1943, while participating in an aerial bombardment mission in North Africa. Residence at Enlistment. E. Alton, Ill.

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HENRY C. BOURNE, 39837178, Staff Sergeant, Air Corps, U. S. Army. For wounds received in action against an armed enemy on 19 July 1943, while participating in an aerial bombardment mission in North Africa. Residence at Enlistment: Project City, Calif.

By order of Lieutenant Colonel RAINEY:

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Captain, A. G.  
Adjutant.

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