



"THE EAGLE HAS LANDED"
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Mare Tranquillitatis

Presented to:

A. R. M. Heron

in recognition of your role as an active participant on the team that engineered, designed, implemented, and operated the Manned Space Flight and NASCOM Networks in such a manner that the almost impossible task of supporting the Apollo 11 mission—the first landing of man on the lunar surface and his safe return to earth—was made to appear routine.

The deep motivation and cooperation displayed in the performance of these diversified duties, characterized by high quality, attention to detail, coordination, and alertness under pressure, provided the Apollo 11 astronauts with a totally integrated and reliable tracking/data acquisition/communications system meeting their total requirements—a feat of which we all can be extremely proud.

The dedication, awareness, and vigilance you have displayed in the past will ensure the kind of performance we have enjoyed in support of all Apollo missions up to this point. The challenge to be really ready to support every manned mission is one to which we must rise, for the lives and safety of the astronauts depend upon our successful performance.

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