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U.A.R. DECORATION FOR GENERAL CHAUDHURI

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President ~~Genal~~ **Abdul** Nasser of the United Arab Republic has awarded the Grand Cordon of the Order of Merit, one of the highest decorations in U.A.R., to General J.N. Chaudhuri, Chief of the Army Staff, who returned last Wednesday from a week's goodwill visit to the United Arab Republic.

The presentation was done today by the U.A.R. Ambassador in India, Mr. Ahmed Hassan El-Feki, at a function at his residence in New Delhi.

He also presented to Air Marshal A.M. Engineer, Chief of the Air Staff, an exquisitely framed citation for a similar decoration awarded to him by President Nasser when he visited U.A.R. a few weeks ago.

Among those present at today's function were members of the Diplomatic ~~Corps~~ from Arab and African countries and senior Indian Army and Air Force officers.

Decorations and citations were also presented today to senior Army and Air Force Officers who accompanied their respective Chiefs to U.A.R. Among them were Major-General M.N. Batra, Director of Military Intelligence; Brigadier S.N. Antia, Director of Weapons and Equipment; Air Commodore H.C. Dewan, Director of Operations; and Group Captain C.G. Devashar.

Presenting the decorations, the U.A.R. Ambassador said that visits exchanged between senior Service officers of the two countries had helped to forge closer links between the people of the two countries.

General Chaudhuri and Air Marshal Engineer said that they and their delegations had been received with feeling of great warmth and friendship during their visit to U.A.R.

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