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We don't know the mileage of the combat zone and can't find that information in any of our sources, but some sources mention coordinates of the combat zone. If you have a good map maybe the following information will help.

The Navy and Marine Corps Awards Manual (1992) defines the "area of operations" for Vietnam as:

Water areas from a point on the east coast of Vietnam at the juncture of Vietnam with China southeastward to 21° N latitude, 108° 15' E longitude; thence southward to 18° N latitude, 108° 15' E longitude; thence southeastward to 17° 30' N latitude, 111° E longitude; thence southward to 11° N latitude, 111° E longitude; then southwestward to 7° N latitude, 105° E longitude, thence westward to 7° N. latitude, 103° E longitude; thence northward to 9° 30' N latitude, 103° E longitude; thence northeastward to 10° 15' N latitude, 104° 27' E longitude; thence northward to a point on the west coast of Vietnam at the juncture of Vietnam with Cambodia. In addition, the area has been extended to include the land mass encompassing Thailand.

Best wishes,

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