



**DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY**  
U.S. ARMY HUMAN RESOURCES COMMAND  
1600 SPEARHEAD DIVISION AVENUE  
FORT KNOX, KY 40122-5408

PERMANENT ORDERS 027-04

27 January 2011.

Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 2d Battalion, 503d  
Infantry Regiment  
Company A, 2d Battalion, 503d Infantry Regiment  
Company B, 2d Battalion, 503d Infantry Regiment  
Company C, 2d Battalion, 503d Infantry Regiment  
Company D, 2d Battalion, 503d Infantry Regiment  
Company F, 173d Support Battalion

Announcement is made of the following award:

Award: Meritorious Unit Commendation

Period of service: 31 December 2009 to 18 November 2010

Authority: AR 600-8-22, paragraph 7-15

Reason: For exceptionally meritorious service. During the period 31 December 2009 to 18 November 2010, the 2d Battalion, 503d Infantry Regiment assigned to Task Force Rock displayed exceptionally meritorious service in support of Operation Enduring Freedom, executing population-centric counterinsurgency operations that included development and partnership with Afghan National Security Forces, neutralization of insurgent forces and transition of security operations to Afghan National Security Forces. The unwavering commitment of Task Force Rock, 2d Battalion, 503d Infantry Regiment and its subordinate units increased the safety, security and democracy in Eastern Kunar and Northern Wardak Provinces. Task Force Rock's dedication to duty and steadfast commitment to the mission are in keeping with the finest traditions of military service and reflect distinct credit upon the unit, the 101st Airborne Division and the United States Army

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Additional Instructions: This order serves as official notification that a unit award has been approved for the organization(s) listed above and will serve as authority for eligible Soldiers to update their records and wear the award. The award is still subject to final confirmation in Department of the Army General Orders. Official verification of a specific unit's entitlement to display the award in the form of an appropriate streamer on its flag or guidon rests with the U.S. Army Center of Military History (CMH), which is also responsible for determining official unit Lineage and Honors for MTOE organizations. CMH will use this permanent order to authorize

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the manufacture of an appropriate decoration streamer for any  
organization clearly entitled to display the award. The  
streamers will then be manufactured and sent to the U.S. Army  
Human Resources Command for automatic distribution to the units  
concerned.

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY:

*for* *Stewart L. Stephenson, Jr.*  
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Branch