



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

PERMANENT ORDER 134-19

14 May 2013

Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment, 3d Special Forces Battalion, 20th Special Forces Group

Company B, 3d Special Forces Battalion, 20th Special Forces Group

Company C, 3d Special Forces Battalion, 20th Special Forces Group

Company D, 3d Special Forces Battalion, 20th Special Forces Group

Company B, 3d Special Forces Battalion, 1st Special Forces Group

Company A, 3d Special Forces Battalion, 7th Special Forces Group

Announcement is made of the following award:

Award: Meritorious Unit Commendation

Period of service: 28 August 2010 to 1 April 2011

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

Reason: For exceptionally meritorious service. During the period 28 August 2010 to 1 April 2011, the 3d Special Forces Battalion, 20th Special Forces Group and the cited units displayed exceptionally meritorious service in support of Operation Enduring Freedom. Throughout this period, the Soldiers of this unit planned and executed sustained combat operations against a determined enemy insurgent force, ultimately denying sanctuary to the anti-Coalition enemy of Afghanistan fighters and leading to the destruction of insurgents and expulsion of terrorist organizations. The unit's actions led directly to the stability and legitimacy of the Government of the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan. During these sustained combat operations, the unit executed combat, support and humanitarian assistance mission and supervised the infiltration and combat operations of four Special Forces Company's and one Infantry Company. Through countless hours and unrelenting attention to detail, the unit effectively executed complex combat operation that set the conditions for victory in support of Operation Enduring Freedom against an asymmetric warfare enemy integrated throughout Afghanistan and surrounding countries. The actions of the 3d Special Forces Battalion, 20th Special Forces Group and the cited units are in keeping with the finest traditions of military service and reflect great credit upon the units, Combined Joint Special Operations Task Force-Afghanistan, Combined Forces Special Operation Component Command-Afghanistan, Special Operations Command-Central, United States Forces-Afghanistan 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 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. It is not the responsibility of HRC to replace streamers that are lost or damaged.

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Please refer to AR 840-10 for further guidance regarding the responsibilities of the unit concerning the display, care and disposition of the streamers.

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY:



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