



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

PERMANENT ORDER 242-17

30 August 2013

Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 3d Battalion, 144th Infantry Regiment  
Company C, 3d Battalion, 144th Infantry Regiment  
Company D, 3d Battalion, 144th Infantry Regiment

Announcement is made of the following award:

Award: Meritorious Unit Commendation

Period of service: 18 August 2012 to 11 May 2013

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

Reason: For exceptionally meritorious service. During the period 18 August 2012 to 11 May 2013, the Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 3d Battalion, 144th Infantry Regiment and the cited units provided base defense operations of Shindand Air Base, Afghanistan. The units executed all assigned security force duties that resulted in exemplary partnerships with Afghan, Coalition and United States Forces and provided a safe and secure environment for the citizens of Shindand district and tenant units of Shindand Air Base, Afghanistan. The Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 3d Battalion, 144th Infantry Regiment and the cited units' actions are in keeping with the finest tradition of military service and reflect distinct credit upon themselves 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. Please refer to AR 840-10 for further guidance regarding the responsibilities of the unit concerning the display, care and disposition of the streamers.

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