



DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY  
U.S. ARMY HUMAN RESOURCES COMMAND  
200 STOVALL STREET  
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PERMANENT ORDERS 134-15

14 May 2009

Headquarters and Headquarters Battery, 2d Battalion, 320th Field  
Artillery Regiment  
Battery A, 2d Battalion, 320th Field Artillery Regiment  
Battery B, 2d Battalion, 320th Field Artillery Regiment  
Company G, 426th Support Battalion

Announcement is made of the following award:

Award: Meritorious Unit Commendation

Period of service: 25 October 2007 to 14 November 2008

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

Reason: For exceptionally meritorious service. During the period 25 October 2007 to 14 November 2008, Headquarters and Headquarters Battery, 2d Battalion, 320th Field Artillery Regiment and its subordinate units displayed exceptionally meritorious service in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom. The unit employed counterinsurgency doctrine to reduce insurgent attacks by over seventy percent, establishing a safe and secure environment for a population that previously had lived in fear of the constant threat of violence. Additionally, the unit improved the capabilities of Iraqi Security Forces, as well as partnerships with local government officials to foster economic growth and marginalize the effect of insurgent activity. Headquarters and Headquarters Battery, 2d Battalion, 320th Field Artillery Regiment's outstanding performance of duty is in keeping with the finest traditions of military service and reflects distinct credit upon the unit, the 1st Brigade Combat Team, 101st Airborne Division (Air Assault), and the United States Army.

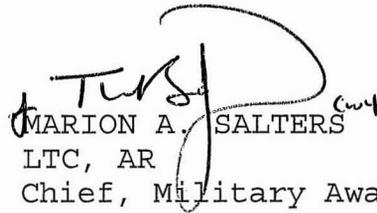
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Additional Instructions: This order serves as official notification that a unit award has been approved for the organization(s) listed above and will serve as authority for eligible Soldiers to update their records and wear the award. The award is 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, and the  
completed streamers will be distributed by the Human Resources  
Command.

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY:

  
MARION A. SALTERS  
LTC, AR  
Chief, Military Awards Branch