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PERMANENT ORDER 213-02

1 August 2013

4th Special Forces Battalion, 3d Special Forces Group, 1st Special Forces Regiment  
(less Operational Detachments A 3433, 3434, and 3435, Company C, 4th Special  
Forces Battalion, 3d Special Forces Group, 1st Special Forces Regiment for the  
period 1 February 2012)

Company A, 1st Special Forces Battalion, 1st Special Forces Group, 1st Special Forces  
Regiment

Company C, 2d Battalion, 3d Infantry Regiment

Company B, 96th Civil Affairs Battalion (20 July 2012 to 30 September 2012)

Company B, 92d Civil Affairs Battalion (less Detachment for the period 1 February 2012)  
(1 February 2012 to 11 August 2012)

Operational Detachment A 3133, Company C, 1st Special Forces Battalion, 3d Special  
Forces Group, 1st Special Forces Regiment

2d Platoon, Company A, 767th Ordnance Company

Detachment, Company E, 9th Psychological Operations Battalion

Detachment 51, United States Army Reserve Military Intelligence Readiness Command  
(1 February 2012 to 1 August 2012)

Announcement is made of the following award:

Award: Valorous Unit Award

Period of service: 1 February 2012 to 30 September 2012

Authority: AR 600-8-22, paragraph 7-14

Reason: For extraordinary heroism in action against an armed enemy. During the period 1 February 2012 to 30 September 2012, 4th Special Forces Battalion, 3d Special Forces Group, 1st Special Forces Regiment and the cited units, jointly known as Special Operations Task Force-East, distinguished themselves by displaying exceptionally meritorious service. Throughout this period, the Soldiers, Sailors, Airmen, Marines and Civilians of the Special Operations Task Force-East planned and executed sustained combat operations against a determined insurgent force, ultimately denying sanctuary to the anti-coalition enemies of the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan and leading to the destruction of the insurgents and disruption of terrorist organizations. The actions of the Special Operations Task Force-East led directly to the stability and legitimacy of the government of the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan at a critical period in the 11-year campaign. During these sustained combat operations, the units executed combat, support and humanitarian assistance missions as well as supervised the infiltration and combat operations of four special operations companies and one infantry company. Through countless hours and unrelenting attention to detail, the Soldiers of the Special

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Operations Task Force-East effectively executed complex combat operations that created effect on the battlefield far in excess of their task organization and personnel strength and realized irreversible and enduring progress in support of the campaign plan and Operation Enduring Freedom. By their exemplary performance of duty, the personnel assigned to 4th Special Forces Battalion, 3d Special Forces Group, 1st Special Forces Regiment and the cited units brought great credit upon themselves, Combined Joint Special Operations Task Force-Afghanistan, Special Operations Joint Task Force-Afghanistan, 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. 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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