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FORT KNOX, KY 40122-5408

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PERMANENT ORDER 137-02

17 May 2013

4th Squadron, 7th Cavalry
Detachment, Company B, 533d Military Intelligence Battalion
Company D, 533d Military Intelligence Battalion
Detachment, Headquarters and Headquarters Battery, 5th Battalion, 3d Air Defense
Artillery
Air Liaison Office, 21st Tactical Air Command, Air Support Command, 507th Tactical Air
Command, Air Control Wing
Detachment, Company I, 227th Aviation
Detachment, 1st Platoon, Company C, 17th Signal Battalion

Announcement is made of the following award:

Award: Valorous Unit Award

Period of service: 24 February 1991 to 28 February 1991

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

Reason: For extraordinary heroism in action against an armed enemy. During the period 24 February 1991 to 28 February 1991, the 4th Squadron, 7th Cavalry and the cited units distinguished themselves while engaged in combat in the Kuwait Theater of operations in support of Operation Desert Storm. The units led the 3d Armored Division 300 kilometers into southern Iraq, while also screening the right flank of the VII Corps during 100 hours of continuous combat. The units were engaged with Iraq's first line of defense and destroyed elements of the Iraqi 26th and 48th Infantry Divisions in prepared defensive positions. As one of the only units of the 3d Armored Division to take on the enemy every day during the 100 hours of ground combat, they were among the first of their division to engage the Tawakalna Division of the Republican Guard at the Battle of Phase Line Bullet. During the battle, the units crippled the 9th Armored Brigade of the Tawakalna Mechanized Division of the Republican Guard by destroying 18 enemy combat vehicles, several Iraqi tanks and killed numerous dismounted soldiers before effectively handing the battle off to the 1st Brigade, 3d Armored Division. Throughout the 100 hours of ground combat, the units' air elements distinguished themselves by continuously screening ahead of the division, reporting enemy movements and destroying countless enemy vehicles, equipment and personnel. The devotion to duty, extraordinary heroism and outstanding professionalism displayed by the members of the 4th Squadron, 7th Cavalry and the cited units are in keeping with the highest traditions of military service and reflect great 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

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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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