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3d Battalion, 7th Field Artillery

Announcement is made of the following award:

Award: Meritorious Unit Commendation

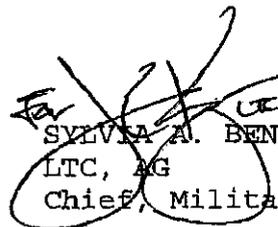
Period of service: 23 March 2004 to 23 February 2005

Authority: AR 600-8-22, paragraph 7-16

Reason: For exceptionally meritorious service. During the period 23 March 2004 to 23 February 2005, 3d Battalion, 7th Field Artillery displayed exceptionally meritorious service in support of Operation Enduring Freedom. The unit deployed across eastern and southern Afghanistan, and in addition to conducting numerous non-standard missions, it provided crucial fire support to operations in the region, including counter-rocket missions and close supporting fires for units in contact with anti-coalition militias. By the spring of 2004, the unit had conducted over 80 mounted patrols, 16 vehicle check points, and actively participated in Operations Blue Candle, Gold Rush, Quick Silver, and Meriweather. The unit was also responsible for providing a secure and stable environment for the first national, democratic presidential election in Afghanistan. The 3d Battalion, 7th Field Artillery's, outstanding performance of duty is in keeping with the finest traditions of military service and reflects distinct credit upon the unit and the United States Army.

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BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY:


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