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PERMANENT ORDERS 117-03

27 April 2009

Headquarters and Headquarters Battery, 3d Battalion, 320th Field
Artillery Regiment
Battery A, 3d Battalion, 320th Field Artillery Regiment
Battery B, 3d Battalion, 320th Field Artillery Regiment
Company G, 626th Support Battalion

Announcement is made of the following award:

Award: Valorous Unit Award

Period of service: 27 September 2007 to 14 November 2008

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

Reason: For extraordinary heroism in action against an armed enemy. During the period 27 September 2008 to 14 November 2008, Headquarters and Headquarters Battery, 3d Battalion, 320th Field Artillery Regiment and its subordinate units displayed extraordinary heroism in action against an armed enemy while in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom. The unit demonstrated the ability to innovate and accomplish the mission beyond the call of duty. The unit's ability to develop, mentor and lead its Iraqi Army brigade counterparts while fulfilling the role of a motorized rifle battalion enabled the unit to achieve decisive victory during a seven-day battle in and around the city of Mahmudiyah, Iraq. Headquarters and Headquarters Battery, 3d 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 3d Brigade Combat Team, and the United States Army.

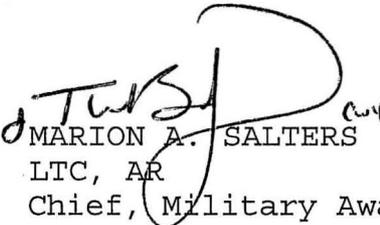
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Additional Instructions: This order serves as official notification that a unit award has been approved for the organization(s) listed above and will serve as authority for eligible Soldiers to update their records and wear the award. The award is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

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completed streamers will be distributed by the Human Resources
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BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY:


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