



DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
U.S. ARMY HUMAN RESOURCES COMMAND
200 STOVALL STREET
ALEXANDRIA VA 22332-0400

PERMANENT ORDERS 132-05

12 May 2009

Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 2d Battalion, 3d Infantry
Regiment

Company A, 2d Battalion, 3d Infantry Regiment

Company B, 2d Battalion, 3d Infantry Regiment

Company C, 2d Battalion, 3d Infantry Regiment

Detachment, 18th Engineer Company

Detachment, 296th Support Battalion

Announcement is made of the following award:

Award: Valorous Unit Award

Period of service: 20 January 2007 to 29 January 2007

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

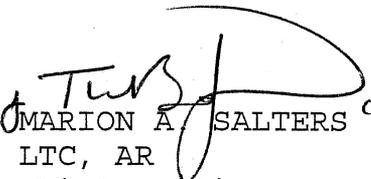
Reason: For extraordinary heroism in action against an armed enemy. During the period 20 January 2007 to 29 January 2007, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 2d Battalion, 3d Infantry Regiment and its subordinate units displayed extraordinary heroism in action against an armed enemy in Karbala and An Najaf, Iraq, in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom. The unit's quick response led to the defeat of a well armed and entrenched enemy force of over four hundred hardened fighters and the recovery of a downed AH-60 attack helicopter and its crew. The unit's gallant conduct, courage, and dedication to mission accomplishment went above the call of duty and greatly contributed to mission success. Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 2d Battalion, 3d Infantry Regiment's outstanding performance of duty is in keeping with the finest traditions of military service and reflects distinct credit upon the unit, the 2d Infantry Division, 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 completed streamers will be distributed by HRC.

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY:


MARION A. SALTERS ^{C-04}
LTC, AR
Chief, Military Awards Branch