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U.S. ARMY HUMAN RESOURCES COMMAND
200 STOVALL STREET
ALEXANDRIA VA 22332-0470

PERMANENT ORDERS 197-22

16 July 2009

Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 18th Engineer Brigade

Announcement is made of the following award:

Award: Meritorious Unit Commendation

Period of service: 30 April 2008 to 15 July 2009

Authority: AR 600-8-22, paragraph 7-15

Reason: For exceptionally meritorious service. During the period 30 April 2008 to 15 July 2009, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 18th Engineer Brigade displayed exceptionally meritorious service in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom. While executing sustained counter-insurgency operations, the brigade developed partnerships with their Iraqi counterparts, neutralized insurgent forces, and transitioned security operations to the control of Iraqi Security Forces. The unit's unwavering commitment increased the safety and security of Salah ad Din, Kirkuk, and Nineveh Provinces. Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 18th Engineer Brigade's outstanding performance of duty is in keeping with the finest traditions of military service and reflects distinct credit upon the unit, the 25th Infantry Division, and the United States Army.

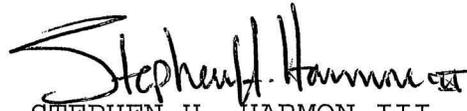
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Additional Instructions: This order serves as official notification that a unit award has been approved for the organization(s) listed above and will serve as authority for eligible Soldiers to update their records and wear the award. The award is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

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completed streamers will be distributed by the Human Resources
Command.

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY:

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Stephen H. Harmon III". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized initial "S".

STEPHEN H. HARMON III
LTC, AG
Acting Chief, Military
Awards Branch