



DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
U.S. ARMY HUMAN RESOURCES COMMAND
200 STOVALL STREET
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PERMANENT ORDERS 208-24

27 July 2009

Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 478th Engineer Battalion
Support Company, 478th Engineer Battalion
449th Engineer Company
396th Engineer Company
Company B, 841st Engineer Battalion
82d Engineer Company
814th Engineer Company

Announcement is made of the following award:

Award: Valorous Unit Award

Period of service: 17 August 2007 to 13 May 2008

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

Reason: For extraordinary heroism in action against an armed enemy. During the period 17 August 2007 to 13 May 2008, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 478th Engineer Battalion and its subordinate units displayed extraordinary heroism in action against an armed enemy in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom in and around Baghdad and Kirkuk. Through a coordinated effort, the unit accomplished their route clearance, bridging, and construction missions in support of Multi-National Corps-Iraq. In doing so, the unit improved Iraq's transportation infrastructure and allowed for better maneuverability of Coalition and Iraqi forces. Additionally, the unit's command and staff team successfully planned over 1,800 combat missions to effectively neutralize the enemy within their area of operations. Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 478th Engineer Battalion's outstanding performance of duty is in keeping with the finest traditions of military service and reflects distinct credit upon the unit, the 20th Engineer Brigade, Multi-National Corps-Iraq, and the United States Army.

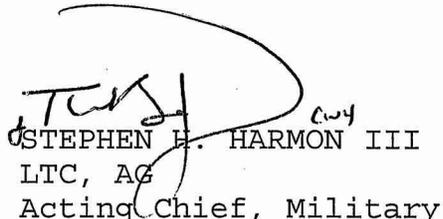
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Additional Instructions: This order serves as official notification that a unit award has been approved for the organization(s) listed above and will serve as authority for eligible Soldiers to update their records and wear the award. The award is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

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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:


STEPHEN H. HARMON III
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Acting Chief, Military
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