



DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
U.S. ARMY HUMAN RESOURCES COMMAND
1600 SPEARHEAD DIVISION AVENUE
FORT KNOX, KY 40121-5743

PERMANENT ORDERS 014-01

14 January 2011

Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 201st Engineer Battalion
Company A, 201st Engineer Battalion
Company B, 201st Engineer Battalion
Company C, 201st Engineer Battalion
Company C, 206th Engineer Battalion
927th Engineer Company

Announcement is made of the following award:

Award: Valorous Unit Award

Period of service: 15 May 2008 to 18 January 2009

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

Reason: For extraordinary heroism in action against an armed enemy. During the period 15 May 2008 to 18 January 2009, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 201st Engineer Battalion and its subordinate units displayed outstanding service in support of Operation Enduring Freedom by conducting an in lieu of mission of route clearance. The unit supported maneuver elements across the battlefield in seven locations, and made up seventy-three percent of route clearance packages in theater, covering over thirty million square meters of treacherous terrain in Eastern Afghanistan. The unit directly cleared over forty-nine thousand kilometers of road consisting of nine hundred sixty-one combat missions in a seven month period, discovering three hundred six improvised explosive devices with a high measure of effectiveness. Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 201st Engineer Battalion and its subordinate units were engaged by the enemy one hundred nineteen times. These engagements included small arms fire, rocket propelled grenades, mortars and rockets. The unit took the enemy head-on by conducting cave destruction operations in Khowst Province in support of Task Force Currahee. The unit's meritorious service also included area clearance of Russian occupation-era minefields in the Bagram and Kandahar area and the construction of two Bailey bridges on Highway One, secondary to enemy destruction of lines of communications. The outstanding performance of duty of the Soldiers of Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 201st Engineer Battalion and its subordinate units during a volatile time in Afghanistan's history reflects great credit upon the unit 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. The streamers will then be manufactured and sent to the U.S. Army Human Resources Command for automatic distribution to the units concerned.

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY:

for A. Lawrence, Chief, Asst. Depch.
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Chief, Awards and Decorations
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