



**DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY**  
U.S. ARMY HUMAN RESOURCES COMMAND  
1600 SPEARHEAD DIVISION AVENUE  
FORT KNOX, KY 40122-5408

PERMANENT ORDERS 202-15

21 July 2011

Headquarters and Headquarters Battery, 4th Battalion, 42d Field  
Artillery Regiment  
Battery A, 4th Battalion, 42d Field Artillery Regiment  
Battery B, 4th Battalion, 42d Field Artillery Regiment  
Company G, 4th Support Battalion  
Detachment, Company C, Special Troops Battalion, 1st Brigade  
Combat Team, 4th Infantry Division

Announcement is made of the following award:

Award: Meritorious Unit Commendation

Period of service: 24 July 2010 to 1 July 2011

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

Reason: For exceptionally meritorious service. During the period 24 July 2010 to 1 July 2011, Headquarters and Headquarters Battery, 4th Battalion, 42d Field Artillery Regiment and its subordinate units displayed exceptionally meritorious service while serving in support of Operation Enduring Freedom. Assigned as Task Force Arrow, the unit distinguished itself by extraordinary heroism while engaged in military operations against enemies of the United States of America in the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan. While conducting combat and security force assistance operations in the districts of Farah, Pusht Rod, Khaki Safed and Bala Buluk of Farah Province, the members of Task Force Arrow aggressively conducted operations against a determined enemy, expanded security and enhanced Afghan National Security Forces capabilities. These actions are a testament to the professionalism and determination of Soldiers, Sailors, Airmen and Afghan National Security Forces. The effects of these operations created a positive environment which enabled the local populace to live in a safe district with a capable government, secured by an effective and legitimate Afghan National Security Force with a positive quality of life and the potential for a brighter future. The valorous efforts and unyielding determination of Task Force Arrow ensured mission accomplishment, reduced enemy capability, significantly reduced enemy morale and effectively contributed to the success of Regional Command-South as a part of the Global War on Terrorism in Afghanistan. The extraordinary heroism and courage demonstrated by the members of Headquarters and Headquarters Battery, 4th Battalion, 42d Field Artillery Regiment and its subordinate units is in keeping with the finest traditions of

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military service and reflects great credit upon the Raider  
Brigade Combat Team, the 4th Infantry Division and the Armed  
Forces of the United States of America.

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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 Roger D. Blackman, CW2*  
STEWART L. STEPHENSON, JR.  
LTC, AG  
Chief, Awards and Decorations  
Branch