



**DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY**  
U.S. ARMY HUMAN RESOURCES COMMAND  
1600 SPEARHEAD DIVISION AVENUE, DEPARTMENT 480  
FORT KNOX, KY 40122-5408

PERMANENT ORDERS 354-14

20 December 2011

Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Special Troops Battalion, 1st Brigade Combat Team, 1st Infantry Division

Company A, Special Troops Battalion, 1st Brigade Combat Team, 1st Infantry Division

Company B, Special Troops Battalion, 1st Brigade Combat Team, 1st Infantry Division

Company C, Special Troops Battalion, 1st Brigade Combat Team, 1st Infantry Division

Announcement is made of the following award:

Award: Meritorious Unit Commendation

Period of service: 11 October 2010 to 10 October 2011

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

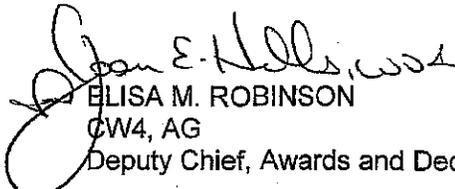
Reason: For exceptionally meritorious service. During the period 11 October 2010 to 10 October 2011, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Special Troops Battalion, 1st Brigade Combat Team, 1st Infantry Division and its subordinate units displayed exceptionally meritorious service in support of Operation New Dawn during combat operations in Kirkuk, Iraq. The unit's professionalism and dedication to the mission went beyond the call of duty and contributed greatly to the success of the 1st Heavy Brigade Combat Team. The outstanding performance of duty, display of professionalism and dedication of Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Special Troops Battalion, 1st Brigade Combat Team, 1st Infantry Division and its subordinate units are in keeping with the highest traditions of military service and reflect great credit upon the unit, Task Force Ironhorse 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.

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BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY:

  
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