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U.S. ARMY HUMAN RESOURCES COMMAND
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FORT KNOX, KY 40122-5408

PERMANENT ORDERS 356-53

22 December 2011

Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 804th Medical Brigade
709th Medical Company (17 February 2011 to 26 October 2011)
485th Medical Detachment (17 February 2011 to 26 October 2011)

Announcement is made of the following award:

Award: Meritorious Unit Commendation

Period of service: 17 February 2011 to 6 November 2011

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

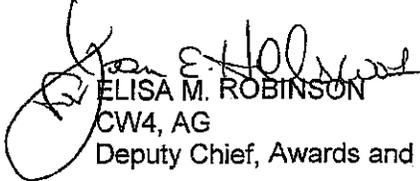
Reason: For exceptionally meritorious service. During the period 17 February 2011 to 6 November 2011, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 804th Medical Brigade and its subordinate units displayed exceptionally meritorious achievement and exemplary service while conducting health service support operations in the Iraq Joint Operations Area in support of Operation New Dawn. The unit's superior achievements in providing command and control of medical units supporting over 100 geographically separated bases, all delivering leading-edge healthcare, contributed immeasurably to the mission successes of United States Forces-Iraq. The unit aggressively postured units to support the responsible drawdown of forces while continuing to strengthen the Iraqi healthcare system through assistance, training, equipment and supplies. The unit developed significant coordination and cooperative planning with the Department of State to provide for a seamless transition of healthcare at the close of Operation New Dawn. Notably, the unit optimized available technology to provide groundbreaking tele-medicine and tele-behavioral health capabilities in order to provide behavioral health services to Soldiers in remote locations. The actions of Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 804th Medical Brigade are in keeping with the finest traditions of military service and reflect great credit upon the unit, United States Forces-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 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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Division Avenue, Fort Knox, KY 40122, 22 December 2011

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY:



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