



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

PERMANENT ORDER 059-09

28 February 2012

Headquarters, 116th Brigade Combat Team, 29th Infantry Division

Announcement is made of the following award:

Award: Meritorious Unit Commendation

Period of service: 12 July 2011 to 2 January 2012

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

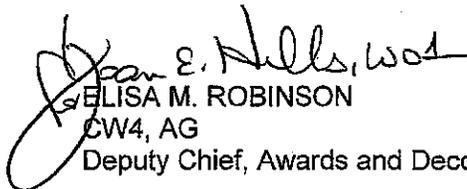
Reason: For exceptionally meritorious service. During the period 12 July 2011 to 2 January 2012, the Headquarters, 116th Brigade Combat Team, 29th Infantry Division displayed exceptionally meritorious service in support of Operation Enduring Freedom in Afghanistan. The unit's professionalism and proficiency was evident through the partnerships forged with its Afghan counterparts and the abilities of its Soldiers and leaders to innovate and accomplish the mission. The unit's ability to provide command and control capability to 1-24th Infantry Battalion, 2d Romanian Infantry Battalion, 495th Romanian Infantry Battalion, Agribusiness Development Team and Provincial Reconstruction Team Zabul represents an outstanding effort. This mission marked the first occasion that a National Guard Brigade Headquarters deployed solely as a command and control element in command of North Atlantic Treaty Organization and active component United States Army Forces. The dedication and outstanding performance of Headquarters, 116th Brigade Combat Team, 29th Infantry Division are in keeping with the finest traditions of the military service and reflect distinct credit upon the unit, 29th Infantry Division 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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