



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

PERMANENT ORDER 303-05

29 October 2012

Headquarters and Headquarters Battalion, 25th Infantry Division
25th Infantry Division Band

Announcement is made of the following award:

Award: Meritorious Unit Commendation

Period of service: 3 December 2010 to 2 January 2012

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

Reason: For exceptionally meritorious service. During the period 3 December 2010 to 2 January 2012, the Headquarters and Headquarters Battalion, 25th Infantry Division and the cited unit displayed exceptionally meritorious achievement in support of Operation New Dawn. The units were focused on partnership with and strengthening of Iraqi Forces throughout most of the deployment. While the primary mission was executed, preparations were made to change the mission to reposture and redeploy all United States Forces out of Iraq by the end of 2011 in accordance with the security agreement. The 25th Infantry Division assumed operational control for two additional advise and assist brigades, a theater aviation brigade, an engineer brigade, a battlefield surveillance brigade and several additional enablers designed to support the drawdown effort. The Headquarters and Headquarters Battalion, 25th Infantry Division and the cited unit's actions are in keeping with the finest traditions of military service and reflect great credit upon itself, the 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. It is not the responsibility of HRC to replace streamers that are lost or damaged. Please refer to AR 840-10 for further guidance regarding the responsibilities of the unit concerning the display, care and disposition of the streamers.

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Spearhead Division Avenue, Fort Knox, KY 40122, 29 October 2012

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Elisa M. Robinson', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

ELISA M. ROBINSON

CW4, AG

Deputy Chief, Awards and Decorations
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