



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

PERMANENT ORDER 361-01

27 December 2013

1st Special Forces Battalion, 7th Special Forces Group, 1st Special Forces Regiment
(Airborne)
Company B, 2d Battalion, 7th Infantry Regiment
Detachment, Company A, 9th Psychological Operations Battalion
Detachment, 53d Ordnance Company
Seal Team 5, Trident 1535

Announcement is made of the following award:

Award: Meritorious Unit Commendation

Period of service: 1 October 2012 to 1 May 2013

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

Reason: For exceptionally meritorious service. During the period 1 October 2012 to 1 May 2013, the 1st Special Forces Battalion, 7th Special Forces Group, 1st Special Forces Regiment (Airborne) and cited unit's executed sustained combat operations against a determined enemy insurgent force, ultimately denying sanctuary to the anti-coalition enemy of the Afghanistan fighters leading to the destruction of insurgents and expulsion of terrorist organizations. The unit's actions led directly to the stability and legitimacy of the Government of the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan. During these sustained combat operations, the unit's executed combat support and humanitarian assistance missions. The unit's supervised the infiltration and combat operations of two Special Forces companies, as well as one Infantry Company. Through countless hours and unrelenting attention to detail, the Soldiers of the Special Operations Task Force effectively executed complex combat operations that set the conditions for victory in support of Operation Enduring Freedom against an asymmetric warfare enemy integrated throughout Afghanistan and surrounding countries. The 1st Special Forces Battalion, 7th Special Forces Group, 1st Special Forces Regiment (Airborne) and the cited unit's actions are in keeping with the finest traditions of military service and reflect great credit upon themselves, Special Operations Task Force-Afghanistan, Special Operations Command-Central, United States Forces-Afghanistan and the United States Army.

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BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY:



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