



**THE JOINT STAFF
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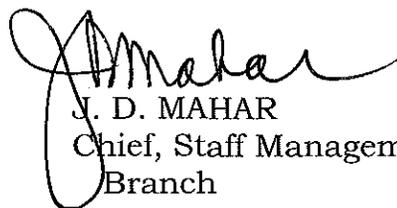
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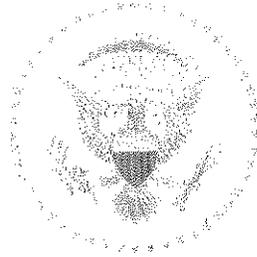
JOINT STAFF PERMANENT ORDER NUMBER J-1SO-0080-11

Subject: Announcement of the Award of the PRESIDENTIAL UNIT CITATION

1. The President of the United States has awarded the Presidential Unit Citation for extraordinary heroism and outstanding performance of duty in action against armed enemy forces in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM to the Joint Task Force Neptune during the period 17 March 2011 to 2 May 2011.
2. Only those members of the Armed Forces of the United States who were officially assigned during the award period and participated in the unit achievement are authorized the award. Per respective Service regulations, the member shall only be authorized their Service-specific version of the award.

FOR THE DIRECTOR FOR MANPOWER AND PERSONNEL:


J. D. MAHAR
Chief, Staff Management
Branch



The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the
PRESIDENTIAL UNIT CITATION to

JOINT TASK FORCE NEPTUNE

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

For extraordinary heroism and outstanding performance of duty in action against armed enemy forces in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM from 17 March 2011 to 2 May 2011. Joint Task Force Neptune conducted extensive intelligence analysis and developed detailed operational plans in preparation of an extremely sensitive surgical operation against the cornerstone of the al-Qaeda world-wide terrorism network. Combining the entire spectrum of the latest modern technological equipment with interagency support, they planned a detailed scheme of maneuver against the main command element of the enemy force. Upon my direction as Commander in Chief, this special operations force flawlessly executed the complex tactical operation with superior precision resulting in the overwhelming success of the mission. By their outstanding courage, dauntless fighting spirit, and untiring devotion to duty, the performance of the officers and enlisted personnel of Joint Task Force Neptune reflected great credit upon themselves and upheld the highest traditions of the United States Armed Forces.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "Barack Obama", written in a cursive style.