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PERMANENT ORDERS 309-15

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2d Battalion, 63d Armor (less Company A for the period
8 November 2004 to 20 November 2004) and (less Company C
for the period 10 April 2004 to 22 April 2004)

Announcement is made of the following award:

Award: Valorous Unit Award

Period of service: 1 March 2004 to 1 December 2004

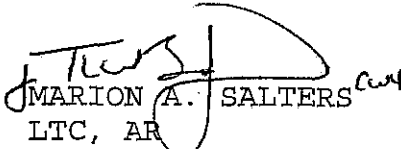
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Reason: For extraordinary heroism in action against an armed enemy. During the period 1 March 2004 to 1 December 2004, the 2d Battalion, 63d Armor displayed extraordinary heroism in action against an armed enemy while in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom in the Diyala Province of Iraq. The unit's determination, fearlessness in the face of danger, unity, and valiant efforts allowed, and will continue to allow, the people of Iraq to pursue peace and democracy. As a lethal combat force, the unit successfully defeated terrorist insurgents opposed to the reconstruction of Iraq both directly on the battlefield, engaged in firefights, and through its efforts in building Iraq's security forces. Additionally, the battalion deterred enemy action and hunted down and captured or killed those opposed to unifying Iraq under a democratic government. The unit's success during major combat operations in Ba'qubah, An Najaf, Khalis, and Fallujah provided stability and security to the area of operations. The 2d Battalion, 63d Armor's outstanding performance of duty is in keeping with the finest traditions of military service and reflects distinct credit upon the unit, Multi-National Corps-Iraq, and the United States Army.

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