



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

PERMANENT ORDERS 228-05

16 August 2010

U.S. Army Composite Aerial Operations Activity

Announcement is made of the following award:

Award: Meritorious Unit Commendation

Period of service: 15 October 2007 to 28 September 2008

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

Reason: For exceptionally meritorious service. During the period 15 October 2007 to 28 September 2008, the U.S. Army Composite Aerial Operations Activity displayed exceptionally meritorious service in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom. The unit's unparalleled professionalism, dedication, and commitment to the Global War on Terrorism and to countering improvised explosive devices went above and beyond the call of duty and directly benefited the efforts of the ground commanders and war fighters in Iraq. U.S. Army Composite Aerial Operations Activity's outstanding performance of duty is in keeping with the finest traditions of military service and reflects distinct credit upon the unit, the 1st 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

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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, and the completed streamers will be distributed by the Human Resources Command.

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY:

for *AM Lawrence, USA, AS Dpt.*
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