



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

PERMANENT ORDERS 045-08

14 February 2011

Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Special Troops Battalion,
256th Infantry Brigade Combat Team
Company A, Special Troops Battalion, 256th Infantry Regiment
Company B, Special Troops Battalion, 256th Infantry Brigade
Combat Team
Company C, Special Troops Battalion, 256th Infantry Brigade
Combat Team

Announcement is made of the following award:

Award: Meritorious Unit Commendation

Period of service: 5 April 2010 to 1 November 2010

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

Reason: For exceptionally meritorious service. During the period 5 April 2010 to 1 November 2010, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Special Troops Battalion, 256th Infantry Brigade Combat Team and its subordinate units displayed exceptionally meritorious service in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom and Operation New Dawn. The unit's absolute mission focus, total team concept and dedication to the safety and success of United States Forces and Iraqi Security Forces set the standard for professional excellence. The Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Special Troops Battalion, 256th Infantry Brigade Combat Team and its subordinate units' commitment to unparalleled mission success is in keeping with the finest traditions of military service and reflects great credit upon the unit, the 256th Infantry Brigade Combat Team, 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

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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.

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY:

for *Stewart L. Stephenson, Jr.*
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