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FORT KNOX, KY 40122-5408

PERMANENT ORDERS 193-23

12 July 2011

137th Military Police Detachment

Announcement is made of the following award:

Award: Meritorious Unit Commendation

Period of service: 6 June 2010 to 28 March 2011

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

Reason: For exceptionally meritorious service. During the period 6 June 2010 to 28 March 2011, the 137th Military Police Detachment displayed exceptionally meritorious service in support of Operation Enduring Freedom. The unit demonstrated technical and tactical expertise with resourcefulness in providing military police support throughout Northern Afghanistan. Assigned as the first law and order unit for Regional Command-North, the Soldiers worked long and arduous hours to set up four military police stations, investigation sections, force protection, biometric collection points and administrative and logistics control for the unit. Though the unit was assigned to United States Forces-Afghanistan for operational control, due to the location and requirements needed the unit worked with and provided force protection and support for the 3-6 Field Artillery Battalion, 10th Mountain Division in Meymaneh, Afghanistan. The Soldiers of the 137th Military Police Detachment integrated with German, Croatian, Swedish, Norwegian, Hungarian, Grecian, Belgian and Macedonian military police to become the first multinational military police force for Regional Command-North. The Multinational Military Police Company operated in a combat environment in providing close protection security for high-ranking military and civilian officials from all over the world. The unit took the lead when the German Provost Marshal requested assistance in training the Afghan National Civil Order Police in Chemtal, and worked with the Multinational Military Police Company training the Afghan National Civil Order of Police in Kunduz. The unit was assigned to the 4th Combat Aviation Brigade for administration control which provided life support assistance to the unit. The 137th Military Police Detachment displayed extreme proficiency and dedication to duty and contributed to setting a standard of excellence in keeping with the highest traditions of military service. Its actions reflect great credit upon itself, the 4th Combat Aviation Brigade, United States Forces-Afghanistan 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 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:

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