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PERMANENT ORDERS 287-32

14 October 2011

Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 72d Signal Battalion  
Company A, 72d Signal Battalion  
Company B, 72d Signal Battalion  
Company C, 72d Signal Battalion

Announcement is made of the following award:

Award: Meritorious Unit Commendation

Period of service: 17 August 2009 to 16 July 2010

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

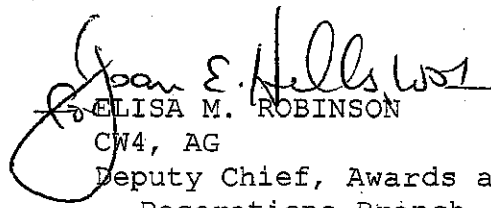
Reason: For exceptionally meritorious service. During the period 17 August 2009 to 16 July 2010, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 72d Signal Battalion and its subordinate units displayed extraordinary perseverance and professionalism in providing communications for United States and Coalition Forces in support of United States Forces-Iraq. The unit successfully engineered, installed, operated, maintained and defended the most dispersed and complex tactical and strategic communications network ever installed in Iraq, enabling United States and Coalition Forces to conduct full spectrum operations and assist the country of Iraq with stabilization, reconstruction and commercialization. The actions of Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 72d Signal Battalion and its subordinate units are in keeping with the highest military traditions and reflect great credit upon the unit, United States Forces-Iraq and the United States Army.

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

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Human Resources Command for automatic distribution to the units  
concerned.

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY:

  
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