



**DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY**  
U.S. ARMY HUMAN RESOURCES COMMAND  
1600 SPEARHEAD DIVISION AVENUE, DEPARTMENT 480  
FORT KNOX, KY 40122-5408

PERMANENT ORDER 058-13

27 February 2012

Headquarters Detachment, 4th Special Forces Battalion, 5th Special Forces Group, 1st Special Forces Regiment  
Company A, 4th Special Forces Battalion, 5th Special Forces Group, 1st Special Forces Regiment  
Company B, 4th Special Forces Battalion, 5th Special Forces Group, 1st Special Forces Regiment  
Company C, 4th Special Forces Battalion, 5th Special Forces Group, 1st Special Forces Regiment  
Company D, 4th Special Forces Battalion, 5th Special Forces Group, 1st Special Forces Regiment  
Detachment, Company C, 3d Special Forces Battalion, 5th Special Forces Group, 1st Special Forces Regiment (26 January 2010 to 1 September 2010)  
Detachment, Company B, 3d Special Forces Battalion, 10th Special Forces Group, 1st Special Forces Regiment  
Detachment, Company C, 8th Psychological Operations Battalion (Provisional)  
(25 January 2010 to 25 July 2010)

Announcement is made of the following award:

Award: Meritorious Unit Commendation

Period of service: 25 January 2010 to 1 September 2010

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

Reason: For exceptionally meritorious service. During the period 25 January 2010 to 1 September 2010, Headquarters Detachment, 4th Special Forces Battalion, 5th Special Forces Group, 1st Special Forces Regiment and its subordinate units displayed exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service to the United States as part of Combined Joint Special Operations Task Force-Arabian Peninsula, Northern Iraq, in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom. During this period, the unit distinguished itself as Special Operations Task Force-North. The members of the task force exhibited selfless service, determination, and esprit-de-corps by blending both lethal and non-lethal means into a comprehensive approach to defeat insurgency. The unit operated superbly among four primary Lines of Operation: Foreign Internal Defense and Iraqi Security Force partner development; expanding Networks of Influence; Targeting Enemy Networks; and Combined Offensive Operations. The unit deployed into exceptionally challenging parts of Iraq, to include Sinjar, Rabia, Mosul, Tal Afar, Bayji, Tikrit, Samarra, Hawijah, Kirkuk, Erbil, Qayyarah Airfield (West), Balad, Baqubah, Muqdadiyah, Balad Ruz, Jalula, Tuz and Sulamanyah after the implementation of the Iraqi Security Agreement, paving the way for Direct Action, Foreign Internal Defense, Military Source Operations, Humanitarian Assistance, Psychological Operations, Civil Military Operations and Iraqi Special Forces expansion. Operating with great courage, resolve, diligence, ingenuity and energy, the unit's actions directly guaranteed the Iraqi Security Forces had the training, ability and trust of the population necessary to ensure the future security of Northern Iraq. The unit's concerted training effort, non-lethal strategy, precision intelligence network development and combined offensive operations significantly contributed to the reduction of enemy activity and helped set the conditions for the establishment of the 2010 nationally elected Iraqi government and furthered Iraqi rule of law. The unit's positive impact on the overall security of Iraq is a

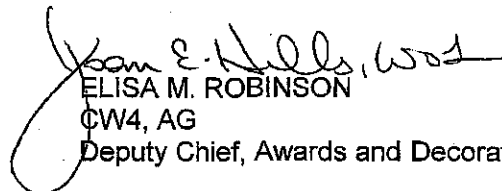
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testament to the courage, skill, extraordinary actions and professionalism of the Special Operations Forces community. The deeds performed by the members of Headquarters Detachment, 4th Special Forces Battalion, 5th Special Forces Group, 1st Special Forces Regiment and its subordinate units exemplify the finest traditions of military service and reflect distinct credit upon the unit, Combined Joint Special Operations Task Force-Arabian Peninsula, Special Operations Command Central, United States Central Command 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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