



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

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PERMANENT ORDER 344-03

10 December 2013

Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 4th Brigade Combat Team, 2d Infantry Division
Troop C, 2d Squadron, 1st Cavalry Regiment
45th Military Intelligence Company
4th Battalion, 9th Infantry Regiment
Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 2d Battalion, 23d Infantry Regiment
Company B, 2d Battalion, 23d Infantry Regiment
Company C, 2d Battalion, 23d Infantry Regiment
1st Battalion, 38th Infantry Regiment
2d Battalion, 12th Field Artillery Regiment
702d Support Battalion
472d Signal Company
38th Engineer Company
Detachment, 56th Brigade Combat Team, 36th Infantry Division
Detachment, 72d Brigade Combat Team, 36th Infantry Division
Detachment, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 71st Battlefield Surveillance Brigade
(24 November 2012 to 1 July 2013)
Detachment, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 136th Maneuver Enhancement Brigade
(24 November 2012 to 1 June 2013)
Detachment, Operations Company, Headquarters and Headquarters Battalion, 36th Infantry
Division (24 November 2012 to 15 July 2013)

Announcement is made of the following award:

Award: Meritorious Unit Commendation

Period of service: 24 November 2012 to 25 July 2013

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

Reason: For exceptionally meritorious service. During the period 24 November 2012 to 25 July 2013, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 4th Brigade Combat Team, 2d Infantry Division and the cited units partnered with Afghan and International Forces, conducted combat operations to defeat insurgent forces and additionally provided essential training, mentorship and support to the government of the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan and the Afghan National Security Forces. These actions set the conditions for Afghans to independently secure and govern the people of Afghanistan and were paramount to the overall success of the Afghan Campaign. The Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 4th Brigade Combat Team, 2d Infantry Division and the cited units professionalism and dedication are in keeping with the finest traditions of military service. Their actions reflect great credit upon themselves, Regional Command-South, United States Forces-Afghanistan, and the United States Army.

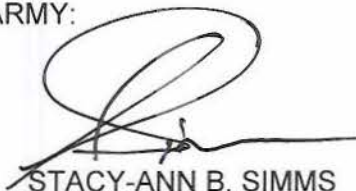
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Additional Instructions: This order serves as official notification that a unit award has been approved for the organization(s) listed above and will serve as authority for eligible Soldiers to update their records and wear the award. The award is still subject to final confirmation in Department of the Army General Orders. Official verification of a specific unit's entitlement to

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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. It is not the responsibility of HRC to replace streamers that are lost or damaged. Please refer to AR 840-10 for further guidance regarding the responsibilities of the unit concerning the display, care and disposition of the streamers.

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY:



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