

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY

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PERMANENT ORDERS 203-47

22 July 2009

Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 3d Battalion, 509th Infantry Regiment

Company A, 3d Battalion, 509th Infantry Regiment

Company B, 3d Battalion, 509th Infantry Regiment

Company B, 1st Battalion, 501st Infantry Regiment

Company F, 725th Support Battalion

Company B, 2d Battalion, 136th Infantry Regiment

Announcement is made of the following award:

Award: Valorous Unit Award

Period of service: 24 December 2006 to 21 June 2007

Authority: AR 600-8-22, paragraph 7-14

For extraordinary heroism in action against an armed enemy. During the period 24 December 2006 to 21 June Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 3d Battalion, 509th Regiment and its subordinate Infantry units extraordinary heroism in action against an armed enemy in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom in and around Al Anbar Province. During this period of time, the unit conducted a total of 1,018 combat patrols and made over 70 arrests. The unit was also an active participant in the vitally important operation to reclaim Al Anbar Province from Al Qaeda in Iraq influence and subsequently provided safety and security for the population of Garmah and the surrounding area. The unit's unrelenting perseverance singular initiative greatly advanced the struggle against Al Qaeda in Iraq and has contributed immeasurably to the establishment of a self-reliant Iraq. Headquarters and Headquarters free and 3d Battalion, 509th Infantry Regiment's outstanding Company, performance of duty is in keeping with the finest traditions of military service and reflects distinct credit upon the unit, 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

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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, and the completed streamers will be distributed by HRC.

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY:

STEPHEN H. HARMON III

LTC, AG / Acting Chief, Military

Awards Branch