



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

PERMANENT ORDERS 224-11

12 August 2010

Headquarters and Headquarters Battery, 17th Fires Brigade  
1st Battalion, 377th Field Artillery Regiment  
308th Support Battalion  
256th Signal Company  
606th Support Company

Announcement is made of the following award:

Award: Meritorious Unit Commendation

Period of service: 26 July 2009 to 5 July 2010

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

Reason: For exceptionally meritorious service. During the period 26 July 2009 to 5 July 2010, Headquarters and Headquarters Battery, 17th Fires Brigade and its subordinate units displayed exceptionally meritorious service in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom. The unit's professionalism and dedication to mission went above and beyond the call of duty and greatly contributed to the success of United States Division-South. The brigade conducted full spectrum operations in the Basra Province, ensured the conduct of fair and free parliamentary elections, managed over 100 civic action projects, and trained Iraqi security forces to be a highly skilled and professional organization. Headquarters and Headquarters Battery, 17th Fires Brigade's outstanding 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 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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