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

PERMANENT ORDERS 019-04

19 January 2012

Headquarters and Headquarters Battalion, XVIII Airborne Corps
Detachment, 1st Battalion, 391st Regiment (8 February 2011 to 7 October 2011)
Company B, 145th Support Battalion (8 February 2011 to 1 November 2011)
Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Special Troops Battalion, 116th Cavalry Brigade
Combat Team (8 February 2011 to 18 November 2011)
Company C, 2d Battalion, 116th Cavalry Regiment (8 February 2011 to 16 October 2011)
Company A, 345th Military Intelligence Battalion (8 February 2011 to 28 September 2011)

Announcement is made of the following award:

Award: Meritorious Unit Commendation

Period of service: 8 February 2011 to 25 November 2011

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

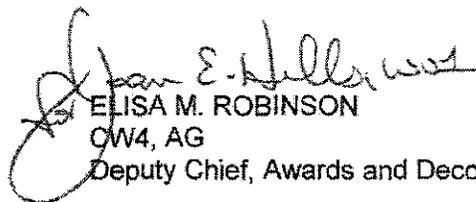
Reason: For exceptionally meritorious service. During the period 8 February 2011 to 25 November 2011, Headquarters and Headquarters Battalion, XVIII Airborne Corps and its subordinate units displayed exceptionally meritorious service, courage, determination and extraordinary esprit de corps assigned as Task Force Dragon in support operations during Operation New Dawn. Task Force Dragon constantly displayed the ability to operate over several lines of operations while simultaneously taking the fight to a determined, unconventional enemy, resulting in a safer and more secure operational environment for both United States Forces and the citizens of Iraq. The unit worked long hours providing support to United States Forces-Iraq, serving as both the strategic and operational commands in the Iraq Joint Operations Area in order to set the conditions for an enduring strategic partnership with a sovereign, stable, self-reliant and unified Iraq. The actions of Headquarters and Headquarters Battalion, XVIII Airborne Corps and its subordinate units are in keeping with the highest traditions of military service in combat and reflect distinct credit upon Task Force Dragon, XVIII Airborne Corps, United States Forces-Iraq 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.

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Division Avenue, Fort Knox, KY 40122, 19 January 2012

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Elisa M. Robinson", is written over the typed name. The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial 'E'.

ELISA M. ROBINSON

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Deputy Chief, Awards and Decorations Branch