



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

PERMANENT ORDER 052-09

21 February 2012

3d Special Forces Battalion, 5th Special Forces Group, 1st Special Forces Regiment (Less Detachment, Company C for the period 25 July 2009)  
Company A, 4th Special Forces Battalion, 5th Special Forces Group, 1st Special Forces Regiment  
Company B, 2d Special Forces Battalion, 10th Special Forces Group, 1st Special Forces Regiment (25 January 2009 to 24 July 2009)

Announcement is made of the following award:

Award: Meritorious Unit Commendation

Period of service: 25 January 2009 to 25 July 2009

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

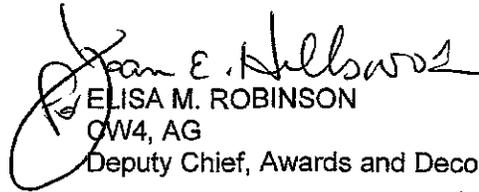
Reason: For exceptionally meritorious service. During the period 25 January 2009 to 25 July 2009, 3d Special Forces Battalion, 5th Special Forces Group, 1st Special Forces Regiment and its subordinate units served with distinction as Special Operations Task Force-North at Contingency Operating Base Speicher, Iraq, in support of Combined Joint Special Operations Task Force-Arabian Peninsula. The unit's domination of northern Iraq through aggressive pursuit of the enemy, tireless training of Iraqi Security Forces and robust development of Networks of Influence set high standards for all others to follow. The outstanding efforts of 3d Special Forces Battalion, 5th Special Forces Group, 1st Special Forces Regiment and its subordinate units bring great credit upon the unit, the Combined Joint Special Operations Task Force-Arabian Peninsula, United States Army Special Operations 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.

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Division Avenue, Fort Knox, KY 40122, 21 February 2012

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY:

  
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