



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

PERMANENT ORDER 177-04

25 June 2012

Headquarters and Headquarters Troop, 7th Squadron, 17th Cavalry Regiment
Troop A, 7th Squadron, 17th Cavalry Regiment
Troop D, 7th Squadron, 17th Cavalry Regiment
Troop E, 7th Squadron, 17th Cavalry Regiment
Company B, 4th Battalion, 227th Aviation Regiment

Announcement is made of the following award:

Award: Meritorious Unit Commendation

Period of service: 4 March 2011 to 4 October 2011

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

Reason: For exceptionally meritorious service. During the period 4 March 2011 to 4 October 2011, Headquarters and Headquarters Troop, 7th Squadron, 17th Cavalry Regiment and its subordinate units displayed exceptionally meritorious service as a United States Army Air Cavalry Task Force assigned to the 159th Combat Aviation Brigade in support of Operation Enduring Freedom. The unit conducted vital reconnaissance and security during combat missions to include medical evacuation, casualty evacuation and close combat attacks. The unit also ensured the safe passage of countless air assaults throughout the Regional Command-South area of operations, and was directly responsible for saving numerous Coalition lives and ensuring freedom of maneuver for Coalition Forces and the people of Afghanistan. Headquarters and Headquarters Troop, 7th Squadron, 17th Cavalry Regiment and its subordinate units' outstanding performance under the most extreme circumstances reflects great credit upon the unit, the 159th Combat Aviation Brigade, Regional Command-South 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. It is not the responsibility of HRC to replace streamers that are lost or damaged.

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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:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Elisa M. Robinson", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

ELISA M. ROBINSON
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Deputy Chief, Awards and Decorations
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