

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

## PERMANENT ORDERS 116-12

26 April 2013

Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 237th Brigade Support Battalion Company A, 237th Brigade Support Battalion

- Company B, 237th Brigade Support Battalion Company C, 237th Brigade Support Battalion Company A, 37th Special Troops Battalion
  - Announcement is made of the following award:

Award: Meritorious Unit Commendation

Period of service: 28 December 2011 to 30 September 2012 Authority: AR 600-8-22, paragraph 7-15

Reason: For exceptionally meritorious service. During the period 28 December 2011 to 30 September 2012, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 237th Brigade Support Battalion and the cited units displayed exceptionally meritorious achievement and exemplary service in support of the Global War on Terrorism during Operation Enduring Freedom. The units were tasked with sustainment, medical, tactical convoy, recovery and force protection operations until the end of the mission. Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 237th Brigade Support Battalion and the cited units streamlined sustainment functions, making them more effective and efficient in the Area of Operation. The units conducted over 75 tactical convoy operations that covered in excess of 17,000 miles and transported over \$300 million worth of supplies. The Soldiers helped to ensure that the Security Forces Assistance Team successfully completed over 230 missions with their Afghanistan partners. During the retrograde operations, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 237th Brigade Support Battalion and the cited units proved instrumental in base closures and redistribution of mission essential equipment, achieving deadlines for drawdown of combat operations set by higher command. The 237th Brigade Support Battalion provided superior combat mission essential services while assigned in support of Operation Enduring Freedom. The units displayed professional, competent, resourceful and responsive military service while deployed in Regional Command North, Theater of Operations, Afghanistan. The performance of duty by all its service members in a combat zone reflects great credit upon each individual, the 237th Brigade Support Battalion, United States Forces-Afghanistan, the 37th Infantry Brigade Combat Team, the State of Ohio 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.

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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. 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:

ELISA M. ROBINSON CW4, AG Deputy Chief, Awards and Decorations Branch