



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

PERMANENT ORDER 175-03

24 June 2013

1st Battalion, 17th Infantry Regiment  
562d Engineer Company (less 2d Platoon, 562d Engineer Company)  
3d Zone, 205th Corps, Security Force Assistance Team 43 (Provisional)  
(1 August 2012 to 18 January 2013)  
2d Kandak, 3d Brigade, 205th Corps, Security Force Assistance Team 45 (Provisional)  
(1 August 2012 to 18 January 2013)  
3d Kandak, 3d Brigade, 205th Corps, Security Force Assistance Team 46 (Provisional)  
(1 August 2012 to 18 January 2013)

Announcement is made of the following award:

Award: Meritorious Unit Commendation

Period of service: 15 April 2012 to 18 January 2013

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

Reason: For exceptionally meritorious service. During the period 15 April 2012 to 18 January 2013, the 1st Battalion, 17th Infantry Regiment and the cited units distinguished themselves by extraordinary heroism, while engaged in military operations against enemies of the United States of America in the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan. While conducting combat and stability operations across Afghanistan, the unit aggressively conducted security operations to remove a determined enemy force and stability operations to enable the government. These efforts are a testament to the professionalism and determination of the Soldiers of the 1st Battalion, 17th Infantry Regiment and the cited units. The result of these operations created an environment where the people are more secure, led by competent leaders of the Government of the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan, secured by an effective and professional Afghan National Security Force and that improvements in their daily lives inspire hope for the future. The Soldiers of the units ensured mission accomplishment by degrading enemy forces in the Kandahar Province, increasing government capacity and by further connecting to the populace to their government, all significantly contributing to the Global War on Terror in Afghanistan. The extraordinary heroism and courage displayed by the members of the 1st Battalion, 17th Infantry Regiment and the cited units are in keeping with the highest traditions of military service and reflect great credit upon the units, the 2d Infantry Division 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

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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:



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