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

PERMANENT ORDER 056-03

25 February 2015

1st Special Forces Battalion, 7th Special Forces Group, 1st Special Forces Regiment

Announcement is made of the following award:

Award: Valorous Unit Award

Period of service: 18 May 2008 to 1 February 2009

Authority: AR 600-8-22, paragraph 7-14

Reason: For extraordinary heroism in action against an armed enemy, during the period 18 May 2008 to 1 February 2009, 1st Special Forces Battalion, 7th Special Forces Group, 1st Special Forces Regiment displayed extraordinary heroism in action in support of Operation Enduring Freedom in Helmand Province, Afghanistan. The unit succeeded in thwarting the summer and fall Taliban Offensives of 2008, greatly increasing the security, stability and credibility of the Government of the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan. The exemplary performance of 1st Special Forces Battalion, 7th Special Forces Group, 1st Special Forces Regiment is in keeping with the finest traditions of military service and reflects great credit upon themselves, Regional Command-South, the Combined Joint Special Operations Task Force-Afghanistan, Special Operations Command Central 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. Please refer to AR 840-10 for further guidance regarding the responsibilities of the unit concerning the display, care and disposition of the streamers.

PERMANENT ORDER 056-03, U.S. Army Human Resources Command,
1600 Spearhead Division Avenue, Fort Knox, KY 40122, 25 February 2015

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Stacy-Ann B. Simms', is written over a circular stamp or seal.

STACY-ANN B. SIMMS

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