Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 1st Medical Brigade

Announcement is made of the following award:

Award: Meritorious Unit Commendation
Period of service: 21 March 2003 to 21 September 2003
Authority: AR 600-8-22, paragraph 7-15
Reason: For exceptionally meritorious service. During the period 21 March 2003 to 21 September 2003, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 1st Medical Brigade displayed exceptionally meritorious service while in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom. The unit provided Corps-level veterinary services, dental services, preventive medicine and combat stress control support to the 3d Infantry (Mechanized) Division, the 11th Attack Aviation Regiment, the 4th Infantry (Mechanized) Division, 1st Armored Division, the 3d Armored Cavalry Regiment, the 101st Airborne Division (Air Assault) and the 82d Airborne Division in support of V Corps. Throughout combat operations, the unit became a combat force multiplier by pushing forward vital dental, veterinary, combat stress and preventive medicine capabilities for the V Corps Commander, allowing him to field decisive combat power. After the destruction of the Iraqi Republican Guard and fall of the Iraqi Regime, the Battalion transitioned into stability and support operations. Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 1st Medical Brigade’s outstanding performance of duty is in keeping with the finest traditions of military service, and reflects great credit upon the unit, the V Corps and the United States Army.