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1st Battalion, 7th Field Artillery

Announcement is made of the following award:

Award: Valorous Unit Award
Period of service: 9 November 2004
Authority: AR 600-8-22, paragraph 7-14
Reason: For extraordinary heroism in action against an armed enemy. On 9 November 2004, the 1st Battalion, 7th Field Artillery distinguished itself through extraordinary heroism in action against an armed enemy while in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom in and around Bayji, Iraq. Under difficult and hazardous urban conditions, the unit displayed marked tenacity and audacity in battle with determined insurgents. True to its elite status, the unit produced superior and overwhelming firepower and successfully closed with and destroyed the enemy. The 1st Battalion, 7th Field Artillery’s actions are in keeping with the finest traditions of military service and reflect distinct credit upon the unit, the 1st Infantry Division, and the United States Army.
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