2d Battalion, 63d Armor (less Company A for the period
8 November 2004 to 20 November 2004) and (less Company C
for the period 10 April 2004 to 22 April 2004)

Announcement is made of the following award:

Award: Valorous Unit Award
Period of service: 1 March 2004 to 1 December 2004
Authority: AR 600-8-22, paragraph 7-14
Reason: For extraordinary heroism in action against an armed
efemy. During the period 1 March 2004 to 1 December 2004, the 2d
Battalion, 63d Armor displayed extraordinary heroism in action
against an armed enemy while in support of Operation Iraqi
Freedom in the Diyala Province of Iraq. The unit’s
determination, fearlessness in the face of danger, unity, and
valiant efforts allowed, and will continue to allow, the people
of Iraq to pursue peace and democracy. As a lethal combat
force, the unit successfully defeated terrorist insurgents
opposed to the reconstruction of Iraq both directly on the
battlefield, engaged in firefights, and through its efforts in
building Iraq’s security forces. Additionally, the battalion
deterred enemy action and hunted down and captured or killed
those opposed to unifying Iraq under a democratic government.
The unit’s success during major combat operations in Ba’qubah, An
Najaf, Khalis, and Fallujah provided stability and security to
the area of operations. The 2d Battalion, 63d Armor’s
outstanding performance of duty is in keeping with the finest
traditions of military service and reflects distinct credit upon
the unit, Multi-National Corps-Iraq, and the United States Army.

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