PERMANENT ORDERS 033-13

2 February 2009

Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 2d Battalion, 8th Cavalry
Company A, 2d Battalion, 8th Cavalry
Company B, 2d Battalion, 8th Cavalry
Company C, 2d Battalion, 8th Cavalry
Company B, 115th Support Battalion
Headquarters and Service Battery, 1st Battalion, 82d Field Artillery

Announcement is made of the following award:

Award: Valorous Unit Award
Period of service: 18 August 2004 to 24 August 2004
Authority: AR 600-8-22, paragraph 7-14
Reason: During the period 18 August 2004 to 24 August 2004, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 2d Battalion, 8th Cavalry and its subordinate units displayed extraordinary heroism in action against an armed enemy in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom in and around the area of Baghdad, Iraq. The unit conducted offensive operations in Sadr City in order to destroy anti-Iraqi forces and reestablish legitimate local government. The unit engaged well-organized, funded, and trained Madhi militiamen, Iraqi insurgents, and foreign fighters, and in doing so, it displayed outstanding professional knowledge in the use of combined arms operations in disrupting enemy operations. The unit also accounted for 150 confirmed losses of enemy personnel, captured numerous weapons, and improvised explosive devices. The officers and Soldiers of the unit faced an infinitely complex urban battlefield with a dedicated and professional attitude that resulted in highly successful operations. Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 2d Battalion, 8th Cavalry’s outstanding performance of duty is in keeping with the finest traditions of military service and reflects distinct credit upon the unit, the 1st Cavalry Division, and the United States Army.
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