Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 2d Battalion, 3d Aviation Regiment (6 May 2007 to 6 August 2008)
Company A, 2d Battalion, 3d Aviation Regiment (6 May 2007 to 6 August 2008)
Company B, 2d Battalion, 3d Aviation Regiment (6 May 2007 to 6 August 2008)
Company C, 2d Battalion, 3d Aviation Regiment (6 May 2007 to 6 August 2008)
Company D, 2d Battalion, 3d Aviation Regiment (6 May 2007 to 6 August 2008)
Company E, 2d Battalion, 3d Aviation Regiment (6 May 2007 to 6 August 2008)
Company F, 2d Battalion, 3d Aviation Regiment (6 May 2007 to 6 August 2008)
Company C, 2d Battalion, 238th Aviation Regiment (4 August 2007 to 15 April 2008)

Announcement is made of the following award:

Award: Valorous Unit Award
Period of service: As listed above
Authority: AR 600-8-22, paragraph 7-14
Reason: For extraordinary heroism in action against an armed enemy. During the period 6 May 2007 to 6 August 2008, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 2d Battalion, 3d Aviation Regiment and its subordinate units displayed extraordinary heroism in action against an armed enemy while engaged in combat operations in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom. As the largest and most complex Army Aviation unit in Iraq, the battalion performed its duties as an essential “Surge” element with determination and aggressiveness. The unit conducted constant operations in support of Multi-National Division-Center’s combined offensive operations in Iraq. Through air assault, air movement, and aero medical evacuation operations, the battalion provided critical operational support for all U.S., Coalition, Special Operations, and Iraqi Army Forces operating in the Multi-National Division-Center area of operations. The unit’s efforts greatly assisted in the restoration of a stable democracy in Iraq. Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 2d Battalion, 3d Aviation Regiment’s outstanding performance of duty is in keeping with the finest traditions of military service and reflects great credit upon the unit and the United States Army.
PERMANENT ORDERS 127-11, U.S. Army Human Resources Command, 200 Stovall St., Alexandria, VA 22332, 7 May 2009

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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, and the completed streamers will be distributed by HRC.

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY:

[Signature]

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LTC, AR
Chief, Military Awards Branch