Announcement is made of the following award:

Award: Meritorious Unit Commendation  
Period of service: 21 August 2007 to 18 April 2008  
Authority: AR 600-8-22, paragraph 7-15  
Reason: For exceptionally meritorious service. During the period 21 August 2007 to 18 April 2008, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 164th Engineer Battalion and its subordinate units displayed exceptionally meritorious service in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom. The unit demonstrated unwavering dedication and determination in accomplishing its vital mission of base defense operations for the Victory Base Complex. The unit’s untiring commitment directly affected more than fifty thousand military and civilian personnel stationed on the Complex and proved integral to Coalition Forces’ success. Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 164th Engineer Battalion’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.

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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:

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