PERMANENT ORDERS 202-32

21 July 2009

Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 66th Armor Regiment
Company A, 66th Armor Regiment
Company B, 66th Armor Regiment
Company C, 66th Armor Regiment
Company D, 66th Armor Regiment
Company E, 66th Armor Regiment
Company F, 4th Support Battalion

Announcement is made of the following award:

Award: Valorous Unit Award
Period of service: 25 March 2008 to 31 May 2008
Authority: AR 600-8-22, paragraph 7-14
Reason: For extraordinary heroism in action against an armed enemy. During the period 25 March 2008 to 31 May 2008, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 66th Armor Regiment and its subordinate units displayed extraordinary heroism in action against an armed enemy in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom in and around New Baghdad. The unit made significant contributions toward setting the required security conditions for the implementation of the United States and Iraqi Security Agreement. Additionally, the unit killed or captured over 218 enemy combatants and removed countless weapons and explosives from the area of operations. Further, the unit’s daring execution of intelligence and maneuvers, combined with gallantry in action, resulted in resounding mission success. Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 66th Armor Regiment’s outstanding performance of duty is in keeping with the finest traditions of military service and reflects great credit upon the unit, the 1st Brigade Combat Team, 4th Infantry Division (Mechanized), 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 the Human Resources Command.

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY:

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