PERMANENT ORDERS 231-05                          19 August 2009

Detachment Iraq, U.S. Army Operations Activity, Fort Meade

Announcement is made of the following award:

Award: Meritorious Unit Commendation
Period of service: 23 April 2008 to 5 March 2009
Authority: AR 600-8-22, paragraph 7-15
Reason: For exceptionally meritorious service. During the period
23 April 2008 to 5 March 2009, Detachment Iraq, U.S. Army
Operations Activity, Fort Meade displayed exceptionally
meritorious service in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom. The
unit demonstrated the ability to fill a previous gap in human
intelligence collection postures, for U.S. Central Command’s
intelligence requirements, at the operational level. The
outstanding actions exhibited by Detachment Iraq, U.S. Army
Operations Activity, Fort Meade are in keeping with the finest
traditions of military service and reflect distinct credit upon
the unit, the United States Army Operations Activity, 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:

[Signature]

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Chief, Military Awards Branch