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U.S. ARMY HUMAN RESOURCES COMMAND
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PERMANENT ORDERS 261-01

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Headquarters and Headquarters Battery, 1st Battalion, 141st Field Artillery Regiment
Battery B, 1st Battalion, 141st Field Artillery Regiment
Service Battery, 1st Battalion, 141st Field Artillery Regiment
Battery B, 1st Battalion, 126th Field Artillery Regiment

Announcement is made of the following award:

Award: Meritorious Unit Commendation
Period of service: 29 October 2004 to 16 September 2005
Authority: AR 600-8-22, paragraph 7-15
Reason: For exceptionally meritorious service. During the period 29 October 2004 to 16 September 2005, Headquarters and Headquarters Battery, 1st Battalion, 141st Field Artillery Regiment and its subordinate units displayed exceptionally meritorious service in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom. The unit displayed the utmost professionalism and dedication in accomplishing its mission to create a safe and secure environment for the growth of a democratic Iraq. The unit was also instrumental in providing perimeter security for the Victory Base Complex, which was home to over thirty thousand Coalition Soldiers. The unit additionally operated four entry control points, provided perimeter security for Baghdad International Airport, and operated the Brigade Detention Facility, all without incident, and all while fulfilling its direct-support artillery fires mission for the 256th Infantry Brigade. Headquarters and Headquarters Battery, 1st Battalion, 141st Field Artillery Regiment’s outstanding performance of duty is in keeping with the finest traditions of military service and reflects great credit upon the unit, the 256th Infantry Brigade 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:

STEWART L. STEPHENSON, JR.
LTC, AG
Chief, Military Awards Branch