PERMANENT ORDERS 344-32

10 December 2009

Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 3d Battalion, 101st Aviation Regiment
Company A, 3d Battalion, 101st Aviation Regiment
Company D, 3d Battalion, 101st Aviation Regiment
Company E, 3d Battalion, 101st Aviation Regiment
Company B, 4th Battalion, 101st Aviation Regiment
Troop B, 7th Squadron, 17th Cavalry Regiment
Company B, 2d Battalion, 238th Aviation Regiment

Announcement is made of the following award:

Award: Meritorious Unit Commendation
Period of service: 23 December 2008 to 26 November 2009
Authority: AR 600-8-22, paragraph 7-15
Reason: For exceptionally meritorious service. During the period 23 December 2008 to 26 November 2009, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 3d Battalion, 101st Aviation Regiment and its subordinate units displayed exceptionally meritorious service in support of Operation Enduring Freedom. The unit provided seamless full spectrum aviation support to Combined Task Force Currahee; Combined Task Force Yukon; Combined Joint Special Operations Task Force 3113, 7312, and 373; Combined Joint Task Force-101; Combined Joint Task Force-82; and International Security Assistance Force to accomplish more than 200 air assault operations, 500 medical evacuations, 750 air movement missions in which 10,000 tons of cargo and 17,000 passengers were moved, and over 100 quick reaction force launches in which over 100 insurgents were engaged. The contributions of the battalion have had a measurable effect on the safety and security of the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan and to the overall successful accomplishment of Combined Joint Task Force-101, Combined Joint Task Force-82, and International Security Assistance Force missions. Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 3d Battalion, 101st Aviation Regiment’s outstanding performance of duty is in keeping with the finest traditions of military service and reflects distinct credit upon the unit, the 101st Airborne Division, 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. The streamers will then be manufactured and sent to the U.S. Army Human Resources Command for automatic distribution to the units concerned.

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY:

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