PERMANENT ORDERS 351-09

17 December 2009

Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 2d Battalion, 135th Aviation Regiment (30 August 2006 to 14 August 2007)
Company B, 2d Battalion, 135th Aviation Regiment (30 August 2006 to 14 August 2007)
Company D, 2d Battalion, 135th Aviation Regiment (30 August 2006 to 14 August 2007)
Company E, 2d Battalion, 135th Aviation Regiment (30 August 2006 to 14 August 2007)
Company A, 2d Battalion, 211th Aviation Regiment (30 August 2006 to 14 August 2007)
Company C, 1st Battalion, 111th Aviation Regiment (19 September 2006 to 14 August 2007)

Announcement is made of the following award:

Award: Meritorious Unit Commendation
Period of service: As listed above
Authority: AR 600-8-22, paragraph 7-15
Reason: For exceptionally meritorious service. During the period 30 August 2006 to 14 August 2007, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 2d Battalion, 135th Aviation Regiment and its subordinate units displayed exceptionally meritorious service in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom. The unit served as a general support aviation battalion, conducting over 85 combat air assault missions, moving more than 8,000 infantry troops into enemy held positions, and operating under some of the most extreme and hostile conditions. The battalion also provided exceptional general and direct medical evacuation, 24-hour maintenance, and aircraft fuel support throughout Diyala Province. Further, the battalion embodied perseverance, dedication, and professionalism in conducting its mission. Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 2d Battalion, 135th 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 Combat Aviation Brigade, 36th Infantry 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.
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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]

STEWART E. STEPHENSON, JR.
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Chief, Military Awards Branch