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Headquarters and Support Company, 563d Support Battalion
Company A, 563d Support Battalion
Company B, 563d Support Battalion
Company C, 563d Support Battalion

Announcement is made of the following award:

Award: Meritorious Unit Commendation
Period of service: 4 December 2008 to 28 November 2009
Authority: AR 600-8-22, paragraph 7-15
Reason: For exceptionally meritorious service. During the period 4 December 2008 to 28 November 2009, Headquarters and Support Company, 563d Support Battalion and its subordinate units displayed exceptionally meritorious service in support of Operation Enduring Freedom. The unit contributed greatly to overall mission accomplishment by providing multi-functional logistical aviation support for Combined Joint Task Force-101 and International Security Assistance Forces. In addition, the unit directly contributed to the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan’s enhanced security and safety. Headquarters and Support Company, 563d Support Battalion’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
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Human Resources Command for automatic distribution to the units concerned.

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY:

[Signature]

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