PERMANENT ORDERS 025-05

25 January 2010

Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 21st Signal Brigade
Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment, 56th Signal Battalion
114th Signal Battalion
302d Signal Battalion
7th Signal Center
55th Signal Company
U.S. Army Signal Activity-SOUTHCOM

Announcement is made of the following award:

Award: Army Superior Unit Award
Period of service: 1 July 2008 to 30 June 2009
Authority: AR 600-8-22, paragraph 7-16
Reason: For outstanding meritorious service. During the period 1 July 2008 to 30 June 2009, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 21st Signal Brigade and its subordinate units displayed outstanding meritorious service in support of the Global War on Terrorism. The unit provided command, control, communications, computer, and information services to the President of the United States, Secretary of Defense, Joint Chiefs of Staff, and combatant commanders, while maintaining an unprecedented operations tempo. Additionally, the brigade executed 825 tactical satellite communications missions; participated in 41 humanitarian, medical assistance, and disaster relief efforts; executed 24 combat camera deployments worldwide; provided 24/7 continuous communications across the full-spectrum of operations; and integrated satellite communications capabilities with the service’s joint and expeditionary combat formations. The unit also participated in 117 visual information and documentation missions in support of the 2008 presidential election campaign. Further, the unit won the Network Enterprise Technology Command's Supply Excellence Award and Maintenance Excellence Award for 2008-2009 and the Defense Information Systems Agency’s awards for best large technical control facility, best defense red switch network facility, and best standardized tactical entry point satellite communications facility. Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 21st Signal Brigade’s outstanding performance of duty is in keeping with the finest traditions of military service and reflects great credit on the unit, the U.S. Army Network Enterprise Technology Command, 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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