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Headquarters and Headquarters Troop, 7th Squadron, 17th Cavalry Regiment
Troop A, 7th Squadron, 17th Cavalry Regiment
Troop C, 7th Squadron, 17th Cavalry Regiment
Troop D, 7th Squadron, 17th Cavalry Regiment
Troop E, 7th Squadron, 17th Cavalry Regiment
Company B, 3d Battalion, 101st Aviation Regiment
Company C, 4th Battalion, 101st Aviation Regiment
2d Platoon, Company C, 1st Battalion, 168th Aviation Regiment

Announcement is made of the following award:

Award: Valorous Unit Award
Period of service: 17 July 2009
Authority: AR 600-8-22, paragraph 7-14
Reason: For extraordinary heroism in action against an armed enemy. On 17 July 2009, Headquarters and Headquarters Troop, 7th Squadron, 17th Cavalry Regiment and its subordinate units displayed extraordinary heroism in action against an armed enemy in support of Operation Enduring Freedom. The squadron responded to a large scale enemy attack by repeatedly placing themselves in harm’s way for friendly forces on the ground, thereby saving several coalition lives, killing numerous anti-Afghan forces, and ultimately enabling a safe exfiltration of a pinned down friendly element. The unit’s aircraft provided vital security, conducted multiple medical evacuation hoists, engaged the enemy in close combat attacks, and inserted emergency reinforcements and supplies under intense enemy fire. Headquarters and Headquarters Troop, 7th Squadron, 17th Cavalry Regiment’s outstanding performance of duty is in keeping with the finest traditions of military service and reflects distinct credit upon the unit, Task Force Thunder, Combined Joint Task Force-82, 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:

[Signature]

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