PERMANENT ORDERS 081-05

22 March 2010

Headquarters and Headquarters Troop, 3d Squadron, 71st Cavalry Regiment

Troop A, 3d Squadron, 71st Cavalry Regiment

Troop C, 3d Squadron, 71st Cavalry Regiment

Company B, 1st Battalion, 32d Infantry Regiment

Company D, 710th Support Battalion

Announcement is made of the following award:

Award: Meritorious Unit Commendation

Period of service: 28 December 2008 to 31 December 2009

Authority: AR 600-8-22, paragraph 7-15

Reason: For exceptionally meritorious service. During the period 28 December 2008 to 31 December 2009, Headquarters and Headquarters Troop, 3d Squadron, 71st Cavalry Regiment and its subordinate units displayed exceptionally meritorious service in support of Operation Enduring Freedom. The unit operated in the most austere and rugged conditions in eastern Afghanistan, and in doing so, contributed greatly to the peace and prosperity of the citizens in that region. The squadron’s unmatched courage and fighting spirit, tenacity, and ingenuity in problem solving allowed for successful and peaceful elections, extensive cooperation with local leaders and the Afghan National Army, and economic and infrastructural growth. Headquarters and Headquarters Troop, 3d Squadron, 71st Cavalry Regiment’s outstanding performance of duty is in keeping with the finest traditions of military service and reflects distinct credit upon the unit, 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.
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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:

STEWART E. STEPHENSON, JR.
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