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Headquarters, 56th Brigade Combat Team, 36th Infantry Division

Announcement is made of the following award:

Award: Meritorious Unit Commendation
Period of service: 1 December 2008 to 5 August 2009
Authority: AR 600-8-22, paragraph 7-15
Reason: For exceptionally meritorious service. During the period 1 December 2008 to 5 August 2009, Headquarters, 56th Brigade Combat Team, 36th Infantry Division displayed exceptionally meritorious service in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom. The unit successfully integrated and synchronized command and control of military and contractor security forces over a 45 kilometer perimeter. Additionally, the unit combined Army and Navy joint intercept batteries, ensuring a secure environment for the over 65,000 inhabitants of Victory Base Complex. The unit further undertook an aggressive campaign of civil-military projects to improve services conditions for the local population. Headquarters, 56th Brigade Combat Team, 36th Infantry Division's outstanding performance of duty is in keeping with the finest traditions of military service and reflects distinct credit upon the unit, the 1st Cavalry 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
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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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