PERMANENT ORDERS 088-20

Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 32d Infantry Regiment
Company A, 1st Battalion, 32d Infantry Regiment
Company C, 1st Battalion, 32d Infantry Regiment
Company D, 1st Battalion, 32d Infantry Regiment
Troop B, 3d Squadron, 71st Cavalry Regiment
Company E, 710th Support Battalion
984th Military Police Company

Announcement is made of the following award:

Award: Valorous Unit Award
Period of service: 12 July 2009 to 20 September 2009
Authority: AR 600-8-22, paragraph 7-14
Reason: For extraordinary heroism in action against an armed enemy. During the period 12 July 2009 to 20 September 2009, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 32d Infantry Regiment and its subordinate units displayed extraordinary heroism in action against an armed enemy in support of Operation Enduring Freedom in and around Barge Mataal, Nuristan Province, Afghanistan. The company greatly contributed to the success of Combined Joint Task Force-82 in conducting Operation Mountain Fire. The battalion successfully air assaulted into Barge Mataal, an insurgent-surrounded village, and maintained control of the area for several months. The unit's actions suppressed fierce resistance by anti-Afghan forces, allowed for the return of police and district leaders, and provided a safe environment for the people of the region. Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 32d Infantry Regiment’s outstanding performance of duty is in keeping with the finest traditions of military service and reflects distinct credit upon the unit, the 10th Mountain 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 Human Resources Command for automatic distribution to the units concerned.

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY:

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