PERMANENT ORDERS 133-19

13 May 2010

Headquarters, I Corps

Announcement is made of the following award:

Award: Meritorious Unit Commendation
Period of service: 4 April 2009 to 9 March 2010
Authority: AR 600-8-22, paragraph 7-15
Reason: For exceptionally meritorious service. During the period 4 April 2009 to 9 March 2010, Headquarters, I Corps displayed exceptionally meritorious service in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom. The unit served as the core operational command and control element of United States Forces in Iraq, working towards a secure and sovereign nation of Iraq. In partnership with the democratically elected government, the unit made dramatic improvements to security across the country as well as the capabilities of Iraqi Security Forces. The unit also improved the governance, reconciliation, and civil capacity of the nascent democracy. While enhancing security and partnership, the corps headquarters simultaneously planned and established a timeline and initiated the execution of the responsible drawdown of forces from the Iraq theater. Further, the unit planned and executed the seamless merger of six joint headquarters, to include Multi-National Corps-Iraq, Multi-National Security Transition Command-Iraq, and Multi-National Forces-Iraq, into United States Forces-Iraq. These efforts and achievements directly and significantly contributed to the improved security, stability, and continuing prosperity of Iraq and its people. Headquarters, I Corps' outstanding performance of duty is in keeping with the finest traditions of military service and reflects distinct credit upon the unit, United States Forces-Iraq 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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