13th Finance Center

Announcement is made of the following award:

Award: Meritorious Unit Commendation
Period of service: 30 April 2009 to 29 April 2010
Authority: AR 600-8-22, paragraph 7-15
Reason: For exceptionally meritorious service. During the period 30 April 2009 to 29 April 2010, the 13th Finance Center displayed exceptionally meritorious service in support of Operation Enduring Freedom. The unit was charged with allocating and controlling the fiscal year 2009 and 2010 annual operating budgets in excess of $15 billion, executing the largest operating budget in the history of Operation Enduring Freedom and utilizing the system of money as a weapon to aid in counterinsurgency operations. The center also successfully returned nearly $500 million in funding from United States Forces-Afghanistan to United States Army Central as a consolidation of the fiscal year 2009 budget, in keeping with the United States Army’s enterprise stewardship goals. The 13th Finance Center’s outstanding performance of duty is in keeping with the finest traditions of military service and reflects distinct credit upon the unit 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
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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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