PERMANENT ORDERS 174-08

23 June 2010

Headquarters and Headquarters Battery, 2d Battalion, 377th Field Artillery Regiment
Battery A, 2d Battalion, 377th Field Artillery Regiment
Battery B, 2d Battalion, 377th Field Artillery Regiment
Company A, Special Troops Battalion, 4th Brigade, 25th Infantry Division
Company D, 3d Battalion, 509th Infantry Regiment

Announcement is made of the following award:

Award: Valorous Unit Award
Period of service: 28 February 2009 to 15 February 2010
Authority: AR 600-8-22, paragraph 7-14
Reason: For extraordinary heroism in action against an armed enemy. During the period 28 February 2009 to 15 February 2010, Headquarters and Headquarters Battery, 2d Battalion, 377th Field Artillery Regiment and its subordinate units displayed extraordinary heroism in action against an armed enemy in support of Operation Enduring Freedom in the vicinity of the city of Khost in Khost Province, Afghanistan. The unit fired over 18,000 rounds of artillery in support of maneuver forces with at least 190 enemies killed. In addition, the battery’s cooperation with the Afghan National Army and police during the Afghan national elections established a working relationship that will pay dividends in the future as the rule of law and Afghan democracy take hold in the region. Headquarters and Headquarters Battery, 2d Battalion, 377th Field Artillery Regiment’s outstanding performance of duty is in keeping with the finest traditions of military service and reflects distinct credit upon the unit, the 4th Brigade Combat Team, 25th Infantry 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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