PERMANENT ORDER 202-10

21 July 2010

Headquarters, 4th Brigade Combat Team, 1st Infantry Division (14 March 2007 to 3 April 2008)
1st Battalion, 28th Infantry Regiment (Less Company C for the period 18 March 2007 to 18 November 2007) (14 March 2007 to 3 April 2008)
2d Battalion, 16th Infantry Regiment (14 March 2007 to 3 April 2008)
1st Squadron, 4th Cavalry Regiment (14 March 2007 to 3 April 2008)
2d Battalion, 32d Field Artillery Regiment (14 March 2007 to 3 April 2008)
Special Troops Battalion, 4th Brigade Combat Team, 1st Infantry Division (14 March 2007 to 3 April 2008)
610th Support Battalion (14 March 2007 to 15 March 2008)

Announcement is made of the following award:

Award: Valorous Unit Award
Period of service: As listed above.
Authority: AR 600-8-22, paragraph 7-14
Reason: For extraordinary heroism in action against an armed enemy. During the period 14 March 2007 to 3 April 2008, Headquarters, 4th Brigade Combat Team, 1st Infantry Division and its subordinate units displayed extraordinary heroism in action against an armed enemy in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom in the Rashid, Mansour, and New Baghdad Security Districts of Baghdad, Iraq. The unit fought valiantly and displayed great courage, unflagging determination, and superior espirit de corps in implementing a dynamic counterinsurgency strategy on the most dangerous and complex urban battlefields in Iraq. The unit deliberately emplaced its units in forward positions along sectarian fault lines where violent Anti-Coalition activity was greatest. The brigade then successfully wrested control of Rashid, Mansour and New Baghdad from Al Qaeda in Iraq and Jaysh Al Mahdi insurgent forces while simultaneously toiling to improve the lives of the Iraqi people. The unit additionally provided essential services, fostered sustainable economic growth, reviving commerce, and improving local government. The brigade’s combined efforts reduced violent activities by over ninety percent and brought new hope to the people of Baghdad. Headquarters, 4th Brigade Combat Team, 1st Infantry Division’s outstanding performance of duty is in keeping with the finest traditions of military service and reflects distinct credit upon the unit, Multi-National Division-Baghdad 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, and the completed streamers will be distributed by HRC.

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY:

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