PERMANENT ORDERS 228-02

16 August 2010

Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 705th Military Police Battalion

Announcement is made of the following award:

Award: Meritorious Unit Commendation
Period of service: 9 September 2009 to 28 July 2010
Authority: AR 600-8-22, paragraph 7-15
Reason: For exceptionally meritorious service. During the period 9 September 2009 to 28 July 2010, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 705th Military Police Battalion displayed exceptionally meritorious service in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom. The unit synchronized and executed full-spectrum detention operations at the Taji Theatre Internment Facility Reconciliation Center which housed over 4,000 detainees. The battalion also played an integral role in transferring the facility to the Iraqi government, developing, managing and implementing a transitional plan that included training over 2,200 Iraqi Correctional Officers and reassigning over $100 million in facilities and equipment. The battalion also successfully oversaw and transferred the Camp Cropper Theatre Internment Facility to the Iraqi government. The unit’s combined operations strengthened the rule of law in Iraq, vastly improved its correctional infrastructure, and enabled the Iraqi Correctional Service to actively participate in the processing, rehabilitation and release of detainees, thus ensuring former internees re-entered Iraqi society productive and reformed. Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 705th Military Police Battalion’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.
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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