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2 December 2010

Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 503d Infantry Regiment
Company A, 1st Battalion, 503d Infantry Regiment
Company B, 1st Battalion, 503d Infantry Regiment
Company C, 1st Battalion, 503d Infantry Regiment
Company D, 1st Battalion, 503d Infantry Regiment
Company E, 173d Support Battalion

Announcement is made of the following award:

Award: Meritorious Unit Commendation
Period of service: 9 December 2009 to 14 November 2010
Authority: AR 600-8-22, paragraph 7-15
Reason: For exceptionally meritorious service. During the period 9 December 2009 to 14 November 2010, the Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 503d Infantry Regiment and its subordinate units displayed exceptionally meritorious service in support of Operation Enduring Freedom. The units executed population-centric counter-insurgency operations that included development and partnership with Afghan National Security Force. The unwavering commitment of 1st Battalion, 503d Infantry Regiment, and its subordinate units increased the safety, security, and democracy in Wardak Province, Afghanistan. The Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 503d Infantry Regiment and its subordinate units’ outstanding performance of duty is in keeping with the finest traditions of military service and reflects distinct credit upon the unit, 173d Airborne Brigade Combat Team 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
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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:

STEWART L. STEPHENSON, JR.
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Chief, Awards and Decorations Branch