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Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 3d Battalion, 156th Infantry Regiment
Company A, 3d Battalion, 156th Infantry Regiment (15 March 2010 to 10 December 2010)
Company B, 3d Battalion, 156th Infantry Regiment (15 March 2010 to 12 December 2010)
Company C, 3d Battalion, 156th Infantry Regiment
Company D, 3d Battalion, 156th Infantry Regiment (15 March 2010 to 11 December 2010)
Company F, 199th Support Battalion (15 March 2010 to 11 December 2010)

Announcement is made of the following award:

Award: Meritorious Unit Commendation
Period of service: 15 March 2010 to 13 December 2010
Authority: AR 600-8-22, paragraph 7-15
Reason: For exceptionally meritorious service. During the period 15 March 2010 to 13 December 2010, the Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 3d Battalion, 156th Infantry Regiment and its subordinate units displayed exceptionally meritorious service in support of Operations Iraqi Freedom and New Dawn. The unit distinguished itself by providing first-class and unparalleled convoy security as well as administrative, logistical, signal, medical, financial, human resources, force protection, and transportation support throughout Iraq. The dedication to mission accomplishment and initiative displayed by the Battalion contributed immeasurably to the tremendous success achieved by the 256th Infantry Brigade Combat Team, 3d Sustainment Brigade, and the 103d Sustainment Command (Expeditionary). The Battalion set the conditions and the standard for all like modular units to emulate. Through their exemplary performance of duty, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 3d Battalion, 156th Infantry Regiment and its subordinate units are in keeping with the finest traditions of military service and reflect distinct credit upon themselves, United States Forces-Iraq, 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:

[Signature]

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