Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 12th Combat Aviation Brigade
Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 2d Battalion, 285th Aviation Regiment
(8 January 2010 to 31 August 2010)
Company A, 2d Battalion, 285th Aviation Regiment (8 January 2010 to 31 August 2010)
Company B, 2d Battalion, 285th Aviation Regiment (8 January 2010 to 31 August 2010)
Company C, 2d Battalion, 285th Aviation Regiment (8 January 2010 to 31 August 2010)
Company D, 2d Battalion, 285th Aviation Regiment (8 January 2010 to 31 August 2010)
Company E, 2d Battalion, 285th Aviation Regiment (8 January 2010 to 31 August 2010)
Company C, 3d Battalion, 288th Aviation Regiment (1 December 2009 to 31 August 2010)
Detachment, Company B, 5th Battalion, 159th Aviation Regiment (17 November 2009 to 31 August 2010)
Detachment 1, Company D, 5th Battalion, 159th Aviation Regiment (17 November 2009 to 31 August 2010).

Announcement is made of the following award:

Award: Meritorious Unit Commendation
Period of Service: 4 November 2009 to 31 August 2010
Authority: AR 600-8-22, paragraph 7-15
Reason: For exceptionally meritorious service. During the period 4 November 2009 to 31 August 2010, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 12th Combat Aviation Brigade and its subordinate units displayed exceptionally meritorious service assigned to Task Force 12 in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom. The Soldiers of Task Force 12 have demonstrated professionalism and dedication to the mission in a manner above and beyond the line of duty and contributed greatly to the success of United States Division-South during this critical phase in Iraq’s history. Task Force 12 conducted full spectrum aviation operations in United States Division-South, ensured the conduct of fair and free parliamentary elections, moved over 4,950,000 pounds of cargo, circulated 75,000 personnel and trained Iraqi Security Forces and the Iraqi Air Force to be highly skilled and professional organizations. Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 12th Combat Aviation Brigade and its subordinate units' actions are in keeping with the finest traditions of military service and reflect distinct credit upon the unit, United States Division-South 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.
PERMANENT ORDERS 357-06, U.S. Army Human Resources Command, 1600 Spearhead Division Avenue, Fort Knox, KY 40122, 23 December 2010

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY:

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