Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 2d Battalion, 156th Infantry Regiment
Company A, 2d Battalion, 156th Infantry Regiment
Company B, 2d Battalion, 156th Infantry Regiment
Company C, 2d Battalion, 156th Infantry Regiment

Announcement is made of the following award:

Award: Meritorious Unit Commendation
Period of service: 14 March 2010 to 10 December 2010
Authority: AR 600-8-22, paragraph 7-15
Reason: For exceptionally meritorious service. During the period 14 March 2010 to 10 December 2010, the Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 2d Battalion, 156th Infantry Regiment and its subordinate units displayed exceptionally meritorious service while deployed in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom and Operation New Dawn. The unit distinguished itself by providing first class and unparalleled convoy security, base defense, and personnel security, as well as administrative, logistical, signal, financial, human resources, and transportation support. 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 and set the conditions and the standard for all like modular units to emulate. The exemplary performance of duty by the Soldiers of the Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 2d Battalion, 156th Infantry Regiment and its subordinate units brings great credit upon the unit, the 256th Infantry Brigade Combat Team, 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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