PERMANENT ORDERS 018-01

18 January 2011

Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 3d Battalion, 158th Aviation Regiment
Company A, 3d Battalion, 158th Aviation Regiment
Company B, 3d Battalion, 158th Aviation Regiment
Company C, 3d Battalion, 158th Aviation Regiment
Company D, 3d Battalion, 158th Aviation Regiment
Company E, 3d Battalion, 158th Aviation Regiment
Detachment, Company D, 52d Aviation Regiment
Company H, 171st Aviation Regiment (18 November 2009 to 1 November 2010)

Announcement is made of the following award:

Award: Meritorious Unit Commendation
Period of service: 18 November 2009 to 7 November 2010
Authority: AR 600-8-22, paragraph 7-15
Reason: For exceptionally meritorious service. During the period 18 November 2009 to 7 November 2010, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 3d Battalion, 158th Aviation Regiment and its subordinate units assigned as Task Force Storm displayed exceptionally meritorious service in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom. Task Force Storm conducted on-time, on-target, precise and safe air movement operations in direct support of the USF-I Commanding General, his Deputies, and the U.S. Ambassador to Iraq, as well as providing General Aviation Support to USF-I. Furthermore, Task Force Storm conducted complex and time­sensitive helicopter assault force operations in support of Joint Special Operations Forces, and air assault operations in support of ground combat units to capture and/or eradicate Al Qaeda and other insurgent groups, playing a crucial role in bringing stability and legitimacy to the government of Iraq and security to Iraqi citizens. Task Force Storm safely executed these aviation operations with great professionalism. Task Force Storm’s actions are in keeping with the finest traditions of military service and reflect distinct credit upon the unit, 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
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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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