PERMANENT ORDERS 021-05

Headquarters and Headquarters Battery, 5th Battalion, 5th Air Defense Artillery Regiment
Battery A, 5th Battalion, 5th Air Defense Artillery Regiment
Battery B, 5th Battalion, 5th Air Defense Artillery Regiment
Battery C, 5th Battalion, 5th Air Defense Artillery Regiment
Battery B, 2d Battalion, 5th Field Artillery Regiment
(28 February 2010 to 4 January 2011)

Announcement is made of the following award:

Award: Meritorious Unit Commendation
Period of service: 22 January 2010 to 4 January 2011
Authority: AR 600-8-22, paragraph 7-15
Reason: For exceptionally meritorious service. During the period 22 January 2010 to 4 January 2011, the Headquarters and Headquarters Battery, 5th Battalion, 5th Air Defense Artillery Regiment and its subordinate units assigned to Joint Task Force 5-5 Counter-Rocket, Artillery and Mortar (C-RAM) displayed exceptionally meritorious performance in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom and Operation New Dawn. The Soldiers of Joint Task Force 5-5 C-RAM demonstrated technical expertise and tactical vigilance in providing counter-indirect fire attack support in target acquisition, sense and warn, and intercept capabilities to over 50,000 Coalition Forces and civilians on 16 separate contingency operating bases throughout the Iraqi theater of operations. Through their unrelenting perseverance, consummate knowledge of the counter-rocket, artillery and mortar-mission, and dedication to the unit, the Task Force contributed immeasurably to the defeat of enemy indirect fire attacks and the successful transition and stability of the Iraqi government into Operation New Dawn. Joint Task Force 5-5 C-RAM’s outstanding performance of duty is in keeping with the finest traditions of military service and reflects great credit 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 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 PERMANENT ORDERS 021-05, U.S. Army Human Resources Command, 1600 Spearhead Division Avenue, Fort Knox, KY 40121 21 January 2011

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:

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