Announcement is made of the following award:

Award: Meritorious Unit Commendation
Period of service: 13 September 2009 to 12 September 2010
Authority: AR 600-8-22, paragraph 7-15
Reason: For exceptionally meritorious service. During the period 13 September 2009 to 12 September 2010, the Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 38th Infantry Regiment and its subordinate units exemplified exceptional resolve and determination by securing one of the most strategically important enemy support zones throughout the greater Baghdad Province. Regardless of the problems encountered, the unit overcame and achieved success; truly exemplifying their motto, “Rock of Marne, let ‘em come.” The Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 38th Infantry Regiment and its subordinate units’ actions are in keeping with the finest traditions of military service and reflect great credit upon the unit, the 4th Brigade, 2d Infantry Division, United States Division-Central and the United States Army.

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
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Human Resources Command for automatic distribution to the units concerned.

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY:

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