Announcement is made of the following award:

Award: Meritorious Unit Commendation
Period of service: 8 March 2010 to 4 December 2010
Authority: AR 600-8-22, paragraph 7-15
Reason: For exceptionally meritorious service. During the period 8 March 2010 to 4 December 2010, Headquarters, 86th Infantry Brigade Combat Team and its subordinate units displayed exceptionally meritorious service while serving as Task Force Wolverine in support of Operation Enduring Freedom. The unit exceeded all expectations, planning and executing Combined Action Counter Insurgency Operations across six provinces: Parwan, Bamyan, Kapisa, Langhman, Nuristan and Nangahar. The unit’s assistance allowed the Government of the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan to develop its ability to deliver security, economic development and good governance to the people of Afghanistan. Task force elements partnered with Afghan National Security Forces in the Regional Command-Capital, enhancing their capabilities and providing critical logistical support to United States and Coalition forces. Assigned responsibility for the operation of Bagram Airbase, the brigade combat team headquarters and brigade special troops battalion ensured the safety and security of the 30,000 residents of Bagram Airfield, provided life support and managed base construction and expansion, all while working to minimize the impact of the base on its Afghan neighbors. Task Force Wolverine worked shoulder to shoulder with the Afghan National Security Forces and their partners in the government of the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan to improve Afghan capabilities and to show the Afghan people that the government is the only option for a stable
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and prosperous Afghanistan. The unit's exceptionally meritorious service is in keeping with the finest traditions of military service and reflects great credit upon itself 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. It is not the responsibility of HRC to replace streamers that are lost or damaged. Please refer to AR 840-10 for further guidance regarding the responsibilities of the unit concerning the display, care and disposition of the streamers.

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY:

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