PERMANENT ORDERS 104-01

Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 1st Aviation Regiment
Company A, 1st Battalion, 1st Aviation Regiment
Company B, 1st Battalion, 1st Aviation Regiment
Company C, 1st Battalion, 1st Aviation Regiment
Company D, 1st Battalion, 1st Aviation Regiment
Company E, 1st Battalion, 1st Aviation Regiment
Company E, 3d Aviation Regiment (1 June 2010 to 6 March 2011)

Announcement is made of the following award:

Award: Meritorious Unit Commendation
Period of service: 19 March 2010 to 6 March 2011
Authority: AR 600-8-22, paragraph 7-15
Reason: For exceptionally meritorious service. During the period 19 March 2010 to 6 March 2011, the Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 1st Aviation Regiment and its subordinate units displayed exceptionally meritorious service while serving as Task Force Gunfighters in support of Operations Iraqi Freedom and New Dawn. The unit provided timely and responsive support to the ground maneuver commander with Intelligence, Surveillance and Reconnaissance lift, scout, and attack assets as it secured the peace in Iraq. Additionally, Task Force Gunfighters conducted complex and time-sensitive attack operations in support of joint special operations forces throughout the United States Division-Center. The unit played a crucial role in bringing stability and legitimacy to the government of Iraq and security to Iraqi citizens. Task Force Gunfighters safely executed these demanding missions with the greatest professionalism, charisma, and flair. The Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 1st Aviation Regiment and its subordinate units' actions are in keeping with the finest traditions of military service and reflect distinct credit upon itself, 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:

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