Detachment, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 411th Civil Affairs Battalion

Announcement is made of the following award:

Award: Meritorious Unit Commendation
Period of service: 28 May 2010 to 15 March 2011
Authority: AR 600-8-22, paragraph 7-15
Reason: For exceptionally meritorious service. During the period 28 May 2010 to 15 March 2011, Detachment, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 411th Civil Affairs Battalion displayed exceptionally meritorious service in support of Operation Enduring Freedom and the NATO International Security Assistance Force in the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan. The unit distinguished itself throughout all phases of the operation, from conducting its own reception, staging and onward movement and establishing itself as the first Civil Affairs Battalion Headquarters, and the first U.S. Army surge unit in the Regional Command-South area of operations. The unit’s ability to provide the Government of the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan and the Afghan people with over $20 million dollars in upgrades to the existing civil infrastructure through 76 civil-military projects was instrumental in the stabilization of Kandahar City. Simultaneously, the unit conducted over 300 dismounted civil affairs combat patrols into the greater Kandahar City area, and over 150 combat logistics patrols between Kandahar Airfield and Camp Nathan Smith with zero accidents, zero loss of life and zero damage to unit property. Detachment, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 411th Civil Affairs Battalion’s outstanding performance of duty is in keeping with the highest traditions of military service and reflects great credit upon the unit, United States Forces-Afghanistan 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
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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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