PERMANENT ORDERS 194-48

13 July 2011

Detachment, 1st Medical Laboratory

Announcement is made of the following award:

Award: Meritorious Unit Commendation
Period of service: 18 June 2010 to 5 June 2011
Authority: AR 600-8-22, paragraph 7-15
Reason: For exceptionally meritorious service. During the period 18 June 2010 to 5 June 2011, the Detachment, 1st Medical Laboratory displayed exceptionally meritorious service in support of Operation Enduring Freedom as the only theater-level medical laboratory tasked to identify and evaluate force health hazards through unique laboratory tests and analyses and rapid health hazard assessments. The unit's dedication to its mission of force health protection has established a new standard of performance for Area Medical Laboratories. The accomplishments of the Detachment, 1st Medical Laboratory are in keeping with the highest traditions of military service and reflect great credit upon its Soldiers, 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 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.
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BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY:

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For Roger D. Blackman, CW2