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Headquarters, 2d Brigade Combat Team, 101st Airborne Division
Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 2d Battalion, 502d Infantry Regiment
Company A, 2d Battalion, 502d Infantry Regiment
Company B, 2d Battalion, 502d Infantry Regiment
Company C, 2d Battalion, 502d Infantry Regiment
Company D, 2d Battalion, 502d Infantry Regiment
Headquarters and Headquarters Battery, 1st Battalion, 320th Field Artillery Regiment
Battery A, 1st Battalion, 320th Field Artillery Regiment
Battery B, 1st Battalion, 320th Field Artillery Regiment
Headquarters and Headquarters Troop, 1st Squadron, 75th Cavalry Regiment
Troop A, 1st Squadron, 75th Cavalry Regiment
Troop B, 1st Squadron, 75th Cavalry Regiment
Troop C, 1st Squadron, 75th Cavalry Regiment
Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Special Troops Battalion, 2d Brigade Combat Team, 101st Airborne Division
Company A, Special Troops Battalion, 2d Brigade Combat Team, 101st Airborne Division (less Detachment, 5 September 2010 to 31 October 2010)
Company B, Special Troops Battalion, 2d Brigade Combat Team, 101st Airborne Division
Company C, Special Troops Battalion, 2d Brigade Combat Team, 101st Airborne Division
Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 526th Support Battalion
Company A, 526th Support Battalion
Company B, 526th Support Battalion
Company C, 526th Support Battalion
Company D, 526th Support Battalion
Company E, 526th Support Battalion (11 November 2010 to 15 April 2011)
Company F, 526th Support Battalion
Company G, 526th Support Battalion
Company A, Special Troops Battalion, 1st Brigade Combat Team, 101st Airborne Division (2 January 2011 to 15 April 2011) (less Detachment, 1 September 2010 to 10 November 2010)
Company A, Special Troops Battalion, 3d Brigade Combat Team, 101st Airborne Division
Headquarters and Headquarters Troop, 2d Cavalry Regiment (20 June 2010 to 20 November 2010)
Troop I, 2d Cavalry Regiment (20 June 2010 to 20 November 2010)
Troop K, 2d Cavalry Regiment (20 June 2010 to 20 November 2010)
Troop L, 2d Cavalry Regiment (20 June 2010 to 20 November 2010)
Announcement is made of the following award:

Award: Valorous Unit Award  
Period of service: 20 June 2010 to 15 April 2011  
Authority: AR 600-8-22, paragraph 7-14  
Reason: For extraordinary heroism in action against an armed enemy. During the period 20 June 2010 to 15 April 2011, Headquarters, 2d Brigade Combat Team, 101st Airborne Division and its subordinate units assigned as Combined Task Force Strike were distinguished by extraordinary actions and heroism against armed enemies of the United States of America in the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan. While conducting combat operations in the districts of Zhari, Maiwand, Panjwai and Arghandab, Kandahar Province, the members of the brigade aggressively conducted clearing operations to remove a determined and prepared enemy force. These efforts are a testament to the professionalism and determination of the Soldiers, Sailors, Airmen and Afghan National Security Forces. The aftermath of these operations has created an environment where the people of Kandahar Province perceive that they live in a safe district, led by a competent government, secured by an effective and legitimate Afghan National Security Force, and that improvements in their quality of life and their environment indicate hope for the future. The valorous efforts and determination of Combined Task Force Strike have ensured mission accomplishment, dealt a severe blow to enemy
forces in Regional Command-South, and significantly contributed to the Global War on Terrorism in Afghanistan. The extraordinary heroism and courage displayed by the members of Headquarters, 2d Brigade Combat Team, 101st Airborne Division and its subordinate units are in keeping with the highest traditions of military service and reflect distinct credit upon the unit, the 101st Airborne Division and Armed Forces of the United States of America.

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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