PERMANENT ORDERS 356-72

Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 219th Battlefield Surveillance Brigade
Detachment, 2219th Support Company
438th Signal Company
Troop A, 2d Squadron, 152d Cavalry Regiment
Detachment, 15th Military Intelligence Battalion

Announcement is made of the following award:

Award: Meritorious Unit Commendation
Period of service: 7 May 2011 to 15 December 2011
Authority: AR 600-8-22, paragraph 7-15
Reason: For exceptionally meritorious service. During the period 7 May 2011 to 15 December 2011, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 219th Battlefield Surveillance Brigade and its subordinate units displayed exceptionally meritorious achievement and exemplary service in support of combat operations in multiple division Areas of Responsibility during Operation New Dawn. The “stalk the enemy” concept and motto that the unit employs is exemplified in the manner it supported the Intelligence, Surveillance and Reconnaissance operations throughout the Iraq Joint Operations Area. The intelligence and surveillance provided by elements of the unit proved essential to force protection and Counter-Malign Influence lines of effort. The unit set new standards in conducting combined aerial reconnaissance and land surveillance operations, and mitigated risk to United States and Iraqi Forces during the re-posture of United States Forces. The combined efforts of the unit helped support a stable Iraqi Government and a safe, orderly redeployment of United States Forces at the conclusion of Operation New Dawn. The commitment and unparalleled mission success of Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 219th Battlefield Surveillance Brigade and its subordinate units is in keeping with the finest traditions of military service and reflects distinct credit upon the unit, 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.
PERMANENT ORDERS 356-72, U.S. Army Human Resources Command, 1600 Spearhead Division Avenue, Fort Knox, KY 40122, 22 December 2011

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY:

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