Headquarters and Support Company, 563d Support Battalion
Company A, 563d Support Battalion
Company B, 563d Support Battalion
Company C, 563d Support Battalion

Announcement is made of the following award:

Award: Meritorious Unit Commendation
Period of service: 28 February 2011 to 4 February 2012
Authority: AR 600-8-22, paragraph 7-15
Reason: For exceptionally meritorious service. During the period 28 February 2011 to 4 February 2012, Headquarters and Headquarters Support Company, 563d Support Battalion and its subordinate units displayed exceptionally meritorious service in support of Operation Enduring Freedom. The unit contributed greatly to the overall mission accomplishment by providing multifunctional logistical aviation support for Combined Joint Task Force-82 and International Security Assistance Forces. In addition, the unit directly contributed to the enhanced security and safety of the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan. The dedication and outstanding performance of Headquarters and Headquarters Support Company, 563d Support Battalion and its subordinate units are in keeping with the finest traditions of military service and reflect great credit upon the unit, the 101st Airborne Division 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. It is not the responsibility of HRC to replace streamers that are lost or damaged. Please refer to AR 840-10 for further guidance regarding the responsibilities of the unit concerning the display, care and disposition of the streamers.
PERMANENT ORDER 083-01, U.S. Army Human Resources Command, 1600 Spearhead Division Avenue, Fort Knox, KY 40122, 23 March 2012

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY:

[Signature]

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