Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 170th Infantry Brigade (less Stability Transition Team, Faryab Province (Provisional) for the period 7 March 2011 to 14 February 2012)
Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 40th Engineer Battalion
Company C, 40th Engineer Battalion
502d Military Intelligence Company
589th Signal Company
23d Military Police Platoon

Announcement is made of the following award:

Award: Meritorious Unit Commendation
Period of service: 15 February 2011 to 14 February 2012
Authority: AR 600-8-22, paragraph 7-15
Reason: For exceptionally meritorious service. During the period 15 February 2011 to 14 February 2012, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 170th Infantry Brigade and the cited units displayed exceptionally meritorious achievement and service during counterinsurgency and security force assistance operations in Regional Command-North, Afghanistan in support of Operation Enduring Freedom. The Officers, Noncommissioned Officers and Soldiers' conduct, hard work, discipline and dedication to mission accomplishment went above and beyond the call of duty, ensuring the construction of effective Afghan National Security Forces, the destruction of local insurgent forces, and extended the reach of the Government of the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan. This gave the government the ability to assume control of internal security and maintain basic infrastructure and essential services. The unwavering display of strength, honor and discipline towards combat and multifunctional combat support enabled an improvement in the safety, security and legitimacy of the local, regional and national Afghan institutions throughout the unit's Areas of Operation. The dedication to duty and steadfast commitment of Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 170th Infantry Brigade and the cited units are in keeping with the finest traditions of military service and reflect great credit upon the unit, Regional Command-North, the 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. It is not the responsibility of HRC to replace streamers that are lost or damaged. Please refer to AR 840-10 for further
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guidance regarding the responsibilities of the unit concerning the display, care and disposition of the streamers.

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY:

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