Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 3d Battalion, 66th Armored Regiment  
Company B, 3d Battalion, 66th Armored Regiment  
Company A, 1st Battalion, 2d Infantry Regiment  
Company A, 2d Battalion, 28th Infantry Regiment  

Announcement is made of the following award:  

Award: Meritorious Unit Commendation  
Period of service: 23 July 2011 to 1 June 2012  
Authority: AR 600-8-22, paragraph 7-15  
Reason: For exceptionally meritorious service. During the period 23 July 2011 to 1 June 2012, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 3d Battalion, 66th Armored Regiment and its subordinate units displayed exceptionally meritorious conduct against an armed enemy while serving in support of Operation Enduring Freedom in and around Sharana, Mata Khan, Sar Hawza, Yahya Khel, Yosef Khel, Kushamond, Khayr-Kot Castle and Waza Khwa, Afghanistan. The unit demonstrated the ability to innovate and accomplish the mission beyond expectations. Its ability to provide Soldiers with command and control capability wherever needed to secure decisive victory represents an outstanding effort. The outstanding performance of duty of Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 3d Battalion, 66th Armored Regiment and its subordinate units is in keeping with the finest traditions of military service and reflects distinct credit upon the unit, the 172d Infantry Brigade, the 1st Cavalry 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 193-17, U.S. Army Human Resources Command, 1600 Spearhead Division Avenue, Fort Knox, KY 40122, 11 July 2012

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY:

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