558th Transportation Detachment

Announcement is made of the following award:

Award: Meritorious Unit Commendation
Period of service: 20 August 2011 to 12 August 2012
Authority: AR 600-8-22, paragraph 7-15
Reason: For exceptionally meritorious service. During the period 20 August 2011 to 12 August 2012, the 558th Transportation Detachment displayed outstanding meritorious service in support of Operation Enduring Freedom. The unit operated an entry control point and a National Afghan Trucking operations cell, and processed and tracked all cargo inbound and outbound from Kandahar Airfield, Afghanistan. Soldiers of the unit processed more than 7,300 National Afghan Trucking assets, Class III tankers, gravel delivery, and Surface Deployment and Distribution Command strategic cargo trucks for delivery to or onward movement in support of customer units. During the time spent at Kandahar Airfield, the unit in-gated more than 20,000 trucks and out-gated over 23,000 trucks. The mission execution and commitment to excellence of the 558th Transportation Detachment set a new standard for Kandahar Airfield's Entry Control Point-5 and National Afghan Trucking operations. The unit's actions are in keeping with the highest traditions of military service and reflect great credit upon its Soldiers, the Joint Sustainment Command-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 guidance regarding the responsibilities of the unit concerning the display, care and disposition of the streamers.
PERMANENT ORDER 237-05, U.S. Army Human Resources Command, 1600 Spearhead Division Avenue, Fort Knox, KY 40122, 24 August 2012

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY:

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