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3 October 2012

Headquarters and Headquarters Battery, 1st Battalion, 320th Field Artillery Regiment
Battery A, 1st Battalion, 320th Field Artillery Regiment
Battery B, 1st Battalion, 320th Field Artillery Regiment
Detachment, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 2d Battalion, 502d Infantry Regiment
Detachment, 723d Ordnance Company
Detachment, Company A, Special Troops Battalion, 2d Brigade Combat Team, 101st Airborne Division
Detachment, Company B, Special Troops Battalion, 2d Brigade Combat Team, 101st Airborne Division
23d Engineer Company
Troop C, 1st Squadron, 75th Cavalry Regiment
Detachment, 807th Expeditionary Air Support Operations Squadron, United States Air Force
Detachment, Naval Mobile Construction Battalion 18, United States Navy
1st Battalion, 10th Operational Mentor and Liaison Team, Canadian Army

Announcement is made of the following award:

Award: Presidential Unit Citation
Period of service: 13 July 2010 to 12 August 2010
Authority: AR 600-8-22, paragraph 7-13
Reason: For extraordinary heroism in action against an armed enemy. During the period 13 July 2010 to 12 August 2010, Headquarters and Headquarters Battery, 1st Battalion, 320th Field Artillery Regiment and the cited units displayed conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity in action while conducting combat operations in support of Operation Enduring Freedom. While conducting combat operations in the Arghandab District, Kandahar Province, the members of the battalion gallantly and aggressively conducted clearing operations to remove a determined and prepared enemy force. These efforts are a testament to the professionalism and determination of the Soldiers, Sailors, Airmen and Afghan National Security Forces. The aftermath of these operations has created an environment where the people perceive that they live in a safe district, led by a competent government and secured by an effective and legitimate Afghan National Security Force. The valorous efforts and determination of Combined Task Force Top Guns has ensured mission accomplishment, dealt a severe blow to enemy forces in Regional Command-South and significantly contributed to the Global War on Terrorism in Afghanistan. The extraordinary heroism and courage displayed by the members of 1st Battalion, 320th Field Artillery Regiment and the cited units are in keeping with the highest traditions of military service and reflect distinct credit upon the unit 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.

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY:

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