1st Battalion, 161st Field Artillery Regiment
1161st Support Company (28 February 2011 to 17 February 2012)
Detachment, Battery E, 161st Field Artillery Regiment
35th Military Police Company (28 February 2011 to 17 February 2012)

Announcement is made of the following award:

Award: Army Superior Unit Award
Period of service: 27 February 2011 to 17 February 2012
Authority: AR 600-8-22, paragraph 7-16
Reason: For outstanding meritorious service. During the period 27 February 2011 to 17 February 2012, 1st Battalion, 161st Field Artillery Regiment and the cited units displayed outstanding service in support of Operation Enduring Freedom. The units significantly contributed to enhance regional stability, increase security capacity and efforts to counter violent extremism in the Horn of Africa. Service members of the units displayed exceptional initiative, resourcefulness and dedication to duty while conducting military-to-military mentoring, leadership development, humanitarian assistance and force protection operations in remote regions of eastern Africa under extremely challenging conditions. The results of their efforts are a more stable environment and improved quality of life for the region’s thirteen nations and increased capacity to govern more effectively, protect their own borders and peacefully resolve conflicts. The units’ success has created a partnership with Coalition nations to enable African solutions to African challenges while fully supporting national security strategy objectives. By their exemplary performance of duty the members of the 1st Battalion, 161st Field Artillery Regiment and the cited units have brought great credit upon themselves the Combined Joint Task Force-Horn of Africa 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.
PERMANENT ORDER 115-14, U.S. Army Human Resources Command, 1600 Spearhead Division Avenue, Fort Knox, KY 40122, 25 April 2013

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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