Announcement is made of the following award:

Award: Meritorious Unit Commendation
Period of service: 20 January 2011 to 31 December 2011
Authority: AR 600-8-22, paragraph 7-15
Reason: For exceptionally meritorious service. During the period 20 January 2011 to 31 December 2011, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 20th Engineer Brigade and the cited units displayed exceptionally meritorious conduct in support of Operation New Dawn. The units deployed to Joint Base Balad, Iraq and served as the Theater Engineer Brigade for United States Forces-Iraq. The units provided oversight and management of targeted route clearance along main supply routes and alternate supply routes totaling over 1,200 patrols while simultaneously maintaining 19 military emplaced bridges across the Iraq Joint Operation Area to allow freedom of maneuver of both United States Forces and Iraqi Security Forces. The brigade managed over 150 construction projects across the Iraq Joint Operation Area improving Iraqi Security Forces training facilities for future use and training. The units’ contributions enabled United States Forces-Iraq to improve the security and stability of Iraq, as well as transition the responsibility of security to the Iraqi Security Forces, enabling the country to maintain secure borders after the conclusion of Operation New Dawn. Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 20th Engineer Brigade and the cited units also assumed responsibility as the Contingency Operating Base Adder Mayor Cell, providing life support services, billeting, personnel services support, security planning, constructing management, legal aid and base transition planning. The outstanding performance of Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 20th Engineer Brigade and the cited units are in keeping with the highest traditions of military service and reflect great credit upon the units, United States Forces-Iraq 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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