PERMANENT ORDER 225-06

Headquarters and Headquarters Battalion, 1st Cavalry Division
1st Cavalry Division Band

Announcement is made of the following award:

Award: Meritorious Unit Commendation
Period of service: 19 May 2011 to 19 April 2012
Authority: AR 600-8-22, paragraph 7-15
Reason: For exceptionally meritorious service. During the period 19 May 2011 to 19 April 2012, Headquarters and Headquarters Battalion, 1st Cavalry Division and the cited unit displayed exceptionally meritorious achievement in support of Operation Enduring Freedom. The units made tremendous progress enhancing security and stability to set conditions for transition to the Government of the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan. The units created a unified team that was integrated in all operations and committed to working by, with and through Afghan institutions. Significant improvements were made to separate insurgents from the Afghan population and build their trust in their government by focusing efforts on key terrain districts. Headquarters and Headquarters Battalion, 1st Cavalry Division and the cited unit supervised and resourced remarkable progress building capability and capacity of Afghan National Security Forces, as well as district and provincial governments through combined action and partnership. Combined security, development and governance operations as well as initiatives protected freedom of movement along critical economic corridors and border crossings. The synchronized, unified efforts of the units resulted in significant Afghan sustainable momentum of Afghan National Security Forces including local governance capabilities and credibility at the district government level in key terrain districts. By doing this they built the legitimacy and setting conditions for transition for the Government of the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan. The teamwork, synergy, exceptional accomplishments and exemplary performance of duty demonstrated by the team is in keeping with the finest traditions of military service and reflects great credit upon the unit, United States Forces-Afghanistan, United States Central Command, the Department of Defense 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.
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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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